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ALVASTON & CHELLASTON

2nd Sunday of Lent Year (C) 16 March 2025

Psalm Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation

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| Sun: | 9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass | McGrath & Buckley Families RIP Imelda Quinn RIP |
| Mon: | <u>Feast of St Patrick</u> 12 noon Mass | Samuel Czeroczkzy Int. |
| Wed: | <u>Feast of St Joseph, Husband of Mary</u> 12 noon Mass | Nathalia Christine Sequeira RIP |
| Fri: | 11.00am Requiem Mass | Foncie Ward RIP |
| Sat: | 10-12noon Adoration, with Stations of the Cross & Confession | |
| 3rd Sunday of Lent Year C | | |
| Sun: | 9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass | Don & Julia Middleton Nathalia Christine Sequeira RIP |

Money Matters:

Offertory: £548.40
Derby Hospices: £676.74

For those who regularly contribute to the Church via the Envelope Scheme, another option would be to set up a Monthly or Weekly Direct Debit or Standing Order. If you contribute by any of these methods and you pay Income Tax, please consider Gift Aiding your contributions to the Parish, this is worth an extra 20% to the Parish without costing you any more than your Gift to the Parish.

Lloyds Bank: sort code 30-92-59;
Account number 01620555 – English Martyrs, Derby RCP.
(Gift Aid forms available at the back of Church)

Payments to the parish by cheque should be made payable to:
English Martyrs Derby RCP

Sanctuary Lamp:

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially Simon Thompson, Christine and Michael Dreuit, Terry Bullock, Norman Annable, Giovanni Busato, Ian Robinson, Bart Makowski, Joe Migallo, Liam Blaney, Christopher Turner, Tracey Reeve, Liz Simmons, Terry & Liz Spencer, Anu Chilka, Mick Connolly, Chris Connolly, Maria Latwiel, Anne Smith, Margaret Meagher, James Wilson, Libby Dodes, Gregory Makowski, Brian Campbell and James Slater.

Please Pray for the repose of the souls of John Gannon and Foncie Ward. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

The funeral of John Gannon will be held on **Friday, 4 April** at 12 noon followed by burial at Nottingham Rd Cemetery at 13.30pm

Second Collection today Sunday, 16 March for CAFOD Family Fast

Collection next **Sunday, 23 March** will be for the **SVP, for the Poor and Needy**.

CAFOD Family Fast Day In this Year of Jubilee, Pope Francis calls on us to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind. Please also consider visiting cafod.org.uk/hope to pledge a monthly gift to CAFOD this Holy Year and support communities around the world experiencing the challenges of poverty, injustice, conflict and climate change.

Walk 200km In 40 Days To Help Fight Global Poverty

Challenge yourself and take on The Big Lent Walk! Walk when and where you choose over 40 days, alone or with friends. Raise money to help people as they overcome poverty. Details on the CAFOD website walk.cafod.org.uk

During Lent, St John Fisher is raising money for **CAFOD** carrying out sponsored virtual pilgrimages around the diocese and to Vatican City. To encourage children to gain sponsorship, Mr Lobb – the New Headteacher – will walk from the school to St Mary's church (As the Jubilee church for the deanery) to deliver the money to **CAFOD** on **4 April** – dressed as a chicken (buying chickens was the focus for our launch assembly) as long as we raise £1000. If you would like to support St John Fisher's fundraising for **CAFOD**, search St John Fisher 2025 or Graham Lobb on Just Giving. Thank you!

Walk with Me: The Journey of Prayer for Lent booklets are available at the back of Church. Please take a **FREE** copy for yourselves, your family and neighbours. This Jubilee edition has Hope as its central message. 'Lent is a time to rediscover the gift of prayer, a moment of genuine, personal encounter with Jesus, who is the door of our salvation, but also our living hope.' - Cardinal Vincent Nichols

Jubilee Station Mass with the Bishop at 7.00pm on **Thursday, 3 April** at St Mary's, Derby.

As part of the celebrations, there will be a Guided History Tour of St Mary's on **Saturday 5 April** starting at 1pm. (1 hour)
All are very welcome to join me for this guided tour.

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Palms: Please bring your old palms and place in the box at the back of Church. These will be used for the Easter fire on Holy Saturday night.

Nottingham Cathedral Choir and Youth Choir are gearing up to perform the Bach St John Passion on Saturday 29th March at 7.45pm, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham NG1 5AE. At the start of Lent, and for those haven't experienced the St John Passion, it is the perfect preparation for Holy Week. Since the performance falls the day before Mothering Sunday, the Choirs are offering 10% off tickets if you are treating your mum! This discount is available until **19 March**; simply use the code MUM10 at the checkout

The Diocesan Women's Lent Retreat returns to Nottingham this year on Saturday 5th April. The theme of the retreat is 'The Sacred Heart: An Icon of Hope' and it will be given by Canon Jonathan Cotton, a fantastic retreat leader. Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham (NG5 4HT) will host the retreat which will include Holy Mass, Talks, confession, social time and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

Join men from across the diocese on Saturday **12 April** for our annual Men's Retreat, once again at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. The theme of the retreat is 'The Journey Through Holy Week' and it will be given by Father John Farrell OP, former provincial of the Dominican Order. The retreat will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, Talks, confession, guided adoration and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

If anyone is in need of a riser/recliner chair please contact the SVP for further details: David Gabriel on tel: 01332 700549 or email: davewgabriel@aol.com

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March:
'Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences'

Run through all the words of the holy prayers in Scripture, and I do not think you will find anything in them that is not contained and included in the Lord's Prayers'

St Augustine of Hippo

St Patrick, Bishop (Feast) – 18 March:

St Patrick (385-461) was born into a Christian Romano-British family. His first encounter with Ireland was as a slave after he was captured by raiders at the age of sixteen. After escaping, he probably studied in Gaul and was ordained a priest. Around 432 he returned to Ireland as a missionary bishop and succeeded in consolidating the faith in large parts of the country.

St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Opt Memorial) – 18 March:

St Cyril (c.315-387) was born near Jerusalem and for many years served as Patriarch of that holy city, although disputes with heretics and others forced him to live in exile for seventeen years. He is best known for his catechetical instructions, which led him to be declared a Doctor of the Church in 1882

St Joseph, Husband of Mary (Solemnity) – 19 March:

Not a single word of his is recorded in Sacred Scripture and yet St Joseph is one of the greatest and most popular saints, largely because of his humility and his closeness to Our Lord. He died before the beginning of Jesus's public ministry and, since he probably died in the presence of Jesus and Mary, is venerated as the patron of a good death. Blessed Pius IX named him patron of the universal church and Blessed John XXXIII added his name to the Roman Canon.

St Enda, Abbot (Opt Mem in Ireland) – 21 March:

St Enda (+ c.530) may have been a disciple of St Ninian and founded the first Irish monastery on Aran, 'the capital of the Ireland of the saints.' It had a great influence on the Irish Church and, according to St Aengus, 'it will never be known until the day of judgement the number of saints whose bodies lie in the soil of Aran.'

St Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop (Opt Memorial) – 23 March:

St Turibius of Mongrovejo (1538-1606) was born at Mayorga (Spain) and worked for many years as Professor of Law at Salamanca. In 1580, even though he was a layman, he was appointed archbishop of Lima (Peru), where, after being ordained, he did much to consolidate ecclesiastical discipline and champion the rights of indigenous peoples.