

4th Sunday of Lent – Year A (Laetare Sunday)

15 March 2026 (Mothering Sunday)

Psalm Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

Sun:	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass	Harold Wainwright RIP Elizabeth Delaney Int
Mon:	12 noon Requiem Mass	John Brennan RIP
Tues:	<u>St Patrick</u> (Feast) 10.00am Mass	Eammon Murry RIP
Fri:	11.00am Exposition & Stations of the Cross NO MASS	
<u>5th Sunday of Lent</u>		
Sun:	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass	Clifford Birds RIP Bridie Smith RIP

Money Matters:

Offertory: £608.99

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 Dreuit, Terry Bullock, Giovanni Busato, Ian Robinson, Bart Makowski, Joe Migallo, Liam Blaney, Christopher Turner, Tracey Reeve, Liz Simmons, Terry & Liz Spencer, Mick & Frances Connolly, Maria Latwiel, Anne Smith, Margaret Meagher, James Wilson, Libby Dodes, Gregory Makowski, Brian Campbell, Mary Storer and Peggy Whelan.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of those who have died.

Second Collection next Sunday, 22 March for Diocesan Quota

Lent Week 4: the week to hold firm, to strive forward in hope, knowing that our smallest effort is precious to the Lord.

‘Lord, grant me a steadfast spirit as I seek to hold firm to my resolve to overcome my faults and failings, and to persevere in prayer. I know you will be my strength.’

Laetare Sunday: Or ‘Rejoice’ Sunday

, or the Lord forgives. Rose coloured vestments may be worn instead of purple. The Hellebore (Lenten Rose) is among the first flowers of the year – a time to rejoice in nature’s blessings.

‘Lord, this Lent we rejoice because you reveal to us through your great Passion and Death, the wonder of your forgiveness and the depths of your love. Amen’

The Prayer Trust

Food Donations: Thank you for your continued donations to the Food Appeal. These will be particularly needed over Easter and the School holidays.

300 Club: The winners of the March draw are:

£100	61	Richard Harnedy
£50	155	Rita Fogg
£25	149	Peter Newton
£25	11	Jean Haworth
£25	123	Cath Hamblin
£25	54	Adrian Mason

Well done all!

Palms: Please bring your old palms and place them in the basket on the table at the back of Church. These will then be burned to produce the ashes for Ash Wednesday next year.

St Patrick, Bishop; Patron of Ireland (Feast) – 17 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 Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin 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 St John XXIII added his name to the Roman Canon