

Catholic Parish of St Mary's

Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Acle & Caister

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3rd Sunday of Lent – 3rd MARCH 2013

Masses and services for the week ahead

Day	Place	Time	Intention
Saturday 2 nd Mar	3rd Sunday of Lent – Vigil Mass		
	Caister	5.30	Coleman Family Special Int.
Sunday 3 rd Mar	Acle	9.15	People of the Parish
	GY	11:00	Billy Ecclestone RIP
	GY	4:00	Stations of the Cross
Monday 4 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	-	-	No Mass Today
Tuesday 5 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	-	-	No Mass today
Wednesday 6 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	-	-	No Mass today
Thursday 7 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	-	-	No Mass today
Friday 8 th Mar	S Felix B Secondary Patron of the Diocese:- CAFOD lunch to follow		
	GY	12:00	Liturgy of the Word-Deacon Peter
	GY	7:30	Lent Meditation with Sister Mary Clare
Saturday 9 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	GY	9:30	Holy Souls <i>Exposition of Blessed Sacrament till 10:30</i>

Please remember in your prayers:

All those in the parish who are ill; that the Lord, in his Goodness, might heal and comfort them: Teresa Appleton, Kevin Marsden, Doreen Bracken, John Bracken, Jane Christie, Stephen Christie, Anthony D'Arcy, Arnie Dougal, Jose Fina Florida, Alice Fraher, Ray Gordon, Beryl King, Glenn Nudd, Joe Paton, Joyce Platt, Catherine Styles, Suzan Whitelock and Jackie Rope

And those who have died or whose anniversaries occur around this time. *Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace, Amen.*

Prayer of the week:

Lord, every time we pray the Our Father we are strengthened in faith, filled with hope and set aflame with love for God, through Christ, our Lord. Amen

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A Warm Welcome to all our Visitors this weekend

Information

Parish Priest

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Parish Office Hours

Tues, Wed 9am-2pm Thurs
9am – 11am

Schools

St Mary's Primary School
Tel: 01493-445117

Notre Dame High School
Norwich
Tel: 01603-611431

Sacraments

Baptism

2 months notice required

Marriage

6 months notice required

First Holy Communion

Registration by July each year.
Applications from Yr 3 children

Confession

Each Saturday 10.30am

Other Services

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Saturday in month 10-10.30

Emergency Number

If you need a priest in an emergency and cannot reach Fr David, please contact 01493-662239 (St Peter's, Gorleston)

Parish Stewardship

Giving is an act of the heart. You may give without loving, but you cannot love without giving

Weekly Offertory Collection

Gift Aid	£115.00
Planned Giving	£41.70
Standing Orders	£263.15
Loose	£507.71
TOTAL	£927.56

Thank you for increasing your weekly offering. A little more effort and we will reach our weekly target of **£1,100** each week. Please increase your offering and help maintain the parish.

Special or retiring collections

Last Sunday's Second collection for CAFOD raised: £129.57
Next week's Appeal Collection for the Restoration Fund
Restoration Funding stands at: £31,663.14 (This excludes English Heritage Funding) With a target of £130,000 still to reach – look out for ways you can support the Restoration Project in 2013

Lent Meditation: Each Friday during Lent we welcome Sister Mary Clare DJ, who will lead us in "A journey with Jesus during these 40 days of Lent." - 7.30pm each Friday in the parish Centre. All Welcome

Chapel of All Nations:

The Flags of England, Italy, USA, Brazil, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Poland, Vatican, Lithuania, Brazil, Cyprus & Ghana have now been purchased. (That's only 13 out of 45!!) Each flag cost £8. If you would like to offset this cost by buying the flag of your nationality give your donation to Fr David

Fr David will be away in Rome next week from Mon 4th March-Fri 8th March

Activities which need your support:

Stations of the Cross: Each Sunday at 4pm

Early Morning Mass: Each Wednesday 7:30am

12 Noon Mass each Friday with CAFOD lunch to follow.

Make Lent a real time of conversion.

Doorway to Faith: Part 2 booklet is now on sale at £1.50. The Course continues after the 7pm Mass on Tuesdays at 7.30pm All are welcome.

The Next session will be on 12th March

Diocesan Year Book

On sale at the back of the church priced £3.50 each. Every household should have one!!

Newsletter:

You can help cut our parish costs by receiving the Parish Newsletter (and other parish information) on-line each week. Simply go to our parish website (www.stmarysgy.org.uk) & sign up on the front page. We will reduce the quantity of newsletters we print each week thereafter.

Chrism Mass:- In partnership with Gorleston Parish there will be a coach going to the Chrism Mass at St John's Cathedral Wed 27th March. Leave Gorleston 5pm, pick-up GY 5:15 & Acle 5:30. Please add names to sheet at back of Church.

Welcome Sundays: The 1st Welcome Sunday is 10th March which also happens to be Mothering Sunday. We ask that you bring someone to join us for Mass – another family member, friend or interested person.

The following prayer will be said every day after Mass, please join with us in saying this at home also.

Prayer before the Crucifix

Lord Jesus Christ, You let yourself be nailed to a tree, accepting the terrible cruelty this suffering brings: so much do you love us.

May we in turn, accept the challenge your crucifixion brings by; never fleeing from what we are called to do, holding fast to your Gospel of love, and remaining faithful to you in times of trial.

Help us to draw strength from your cross and resurrection that we may come to share in the victory over sin and death and so gain a place in your Father's heavenly Kingdom, where you live and reign with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever, Amen

Change of Bank Account

Thank you to everyone who has managed to change their Standing Order to the new Bank. Bank details below.

HSBC – St Mary's RC Parish
Sort Code: 40-22-22
Number: 61604708

Prayer for the 3rd Sunday of Lent

God of salvation, we stand before you on holy ground, for your name is glorified and your mercy revealed wherever your mighty deeds are remembered. Since you are holy and forbearing, turn us from every rash and shallow judgement to seek the ways of repentance.

Smileys Cafe:

A coffee morning is being held every Wednesday at the cafe in Artillery Square, Gt Yarmouth from 10:30-1:00 – all welcome!

Catholic Papers :

We have been monitoring the number of papers left over each Sunday and I now feel that we have to cancel the order completely & ask individuals to purchase them via their newsagents *Fr David*

Sanctuary lamps

4 lamps will burn 7 days a week. Before (1) The Blessed Sacrament (2) The Shrine of Our Lady of Yarmouth (3) For Peace and (4) The Sacred Heart Chapel of All Nations Each light costs £2.50 (£10 for all four) and will burn for a week.

Please remember Billy Ecclestone for whom the four lights burn in memory of this week.

Items for newsletter

Please could any items for the newsletter be submitted to the parish office, either through the rectory or email stmarysrcgy@btinternet.com by 12 noon on Tuesdays – thank you

Marriages in 2013

Those couples wishing to enter into Marriage this year should make contact with Fr David as soon as possible so as to begin their marriage preparation.

Sainsbury's Vouchers for School:

There is a box at the back of the Church – all vouchers greatly appreciated by St Mary's School.

New PPC member – we would like to welcome James Borg as the newly appointed PPC member

Reg Elwin – donations towards the Restoration Fund at Reg's funeral amounted to **£244.47** with further monies also being given direct to the funeral directors. Final amount to follow – thank you

Diary Dates:

1. SVP – next meeting Wednesday 6th March 10am at St Ignatius, Caister

Readers Course:

If you are interested in reading at Mass, please approach Fr David. He may well approach you and ask you to join the team. When we have a sufficient number, a short course will be arranged.

Holy Land-Holy Places-Holy People:

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 28th Oct-4th Nov 2013 £1300pp twin room half board basis – for more details contact Deacon Nick Greef 01603 462971

Celebrate Weekend:

13th & 14th April 2013 in Bury St Edmunds – a weekend of teaching, prayer & much more for all ages for more info or to book contact www.celebrateconference.org/eastanglia

Friday Lent Meditation: Fourth Session – Along the Road (Luke 9:51-56; 10:1-6) Fridays in Lent at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre

Ships Visitors Welfare: If you would like to become a ship visitor/lay chaplain there will be a special course organised through the Port Chaplain, Peter Paine. Names to Fr David in the first instance.

Taize Lenten Prayer round the Cross:

The Cathedral at Norwich are holding a special Lenten Prayer on 17th March –starts at 6pm for those 14+ and 7pm for all others. Should finish at 8pm with refreshments.

Tonight's the Night A concert for choir & soloists at the Pavilion Theatre, Gorleston – 7th, 8th & 9th March at 7:30pm. Tickets £11 (concessions £10) Bookings 01502 733625

Seeking the Face of Jesus: A series of lectures at Our Lady and The English Martyrs, Cambridge. Next lecture Wed 13th Mar 7:30pm - The Sacred Liturgy

St Patrick's Night: Organised by the GY Labour Party at St Peter's Church 16th March 7:30pm. Tickets £12 inc Fish & Chips, Music, Bar open tel Brian Lafferty on 07984 836233.



YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013

The Catholic Church teaches:

The mission of the Church is to proclaim and establish the Kingdom of God begun by Jesus Christ among all peoples. The Church constitutes on earth the seed and beginning of this salvific Kingdom. (CCC 767-769)