Catholic Parish of St Mary's

Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Acle & Caister

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18th WEEK OF THE YEAR - 4th AUGUST 2013

Masses and services for the week ahead



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, 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, Suzan Whitelock, Collette Summerson, Geoffery Davies, Joyce Hastings, Wayne Sharp, Rita, baby Dolcie Barnard, Rosemary Wright and Tony Glasheen.

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 God, teach me to create the space and guiet within me so that I may be able to hear and listen to the voice of my conscience, through Christ, our Lord. Amen

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 Tuesday in month 6:30-7pm

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	£81.00
Planned Giving	£65.29
Standing Orders	£263.15
Loose	£521.43
TOTAL	£930.87

Please increase your offering and help maintain the parish. (Weekly target of £1,100)

Special or retiring collections

Last Sunday's Collection for the Day for Life Appeal:

£204.17 + £246.00 scratch card sales & donations for the Restoration Fund

This week's Appeal Collection is for the Restoration Fund

Restoration Funding stands at:

£39,148.92(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

<u>First Tuesday – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:</u>

There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:30pm-7:00pm this coming Tuesday (before the 7pm Mass). All are welcome to attend and use this time for prayer and reflection.

<u>Thursday 22nd August – Anniversary of the Consecration of the Church:</u>

To mark the annual anniversary of the Consecration of the Church I would like to hold a special Mass with a bring-and-share supper. Mass will be at 7:00pm. I would also like the supper to reflect the diversity of the Parish's multi-cultural nature. "Foods from around the world" supper!! *Fr David*

Open-Air Worship in Great Yarmouth:

All are welcome to attend this event at St Georges Park, Great Yarmouth at 6:15pm. The next date for worship is Sunday 11th August.

Invocation presents Face to Face:

Saturday 12th October at St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham for 16-30 year olds – Join young Catholics from around the U.K. in a day of prayer, worship, formation and friendship with Fr Glen Sudano (founding member of the Franciscan Friars of Renewal), Fr Dermot Donnelly, live worship with Edwin Fawcett & performances from Rise Theatre. £20 including coach & hot lunch. See poster at back of Church or www.invocation.org.uk

KSC National Youth Prayer Competition 2013:

The Prayer should be no more than 300 words in length & relate directly to the theme, which for this year is 'A Prayer for a Journey in Faith'. The competition is open to all young people aged 12-18 & closing date for entries is the 23rd August. See poster at back of Church for more details

TLC Knit or Natter Group:

Held the 3rd Saturday of each month 11:00-3:00 at The Salvation Army Citadel, Gt Yarmouth – all welcome to either knit or just chat for part or all of the day. Teas, coffees & homemade cakes available as is a simple lunch. Next session Sat 17th August for more details call Jan 07970531670

Grand Summer Fete - Southwold:

Wednesday 14th August at 12 Noon in the grounds of The Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Southwold. Fete will be opened by local author Linda Davies who will be signing her new book. Refreshments, Grand Draw, Bargains and trips to the top of the tower for spectacular views over Southwold.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival 22nd-26th August:

KingdonCome@Walsingham is a jam packed 5 day donation only event for 16-35 year olds. You are invited to come and experience God's love and power in your life. At KingdomCome you will meet loads of new people from all across Europe, hear powerful speakers, attend prayer times with inspiring & fresh worship music & be in God's presence through Adoration day or night. For more info pick up a card at back of Church or see www.youth2000.org

Herbie's Sunday:

Thank you very much for all the donations of food & toiletries received last Sunday for Herbie's Wish List. All donations have now been passed on to The Salvation Army who send their very grateful thanks!

Activities which need your support:

Doorway to Faith Programme.

The present season has come to an end but with the promise that we shall resume in Sept. Book 4 is now available at back of Church-£2.50. It really is a good study book & weekday prayer guide-I commend it to you-*Fr David*

Understanding the Sunday

<u>Scriptures</u>-this course will start in September & will include putting the scriptures into context, the theology which arises from them and Catholic devotion and life in light of them.

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

If you are free during the week, why not come to weekday Mass and get into the habit of making daily Mass part of your routine.

Prayer for 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, the giver of every gift that endures, only by your grace can we rightly understand the wonder of life and why it is given. By the word of your Son challenge our foolishness, confront our greed, and shape our lives to the wisdom of the gospel.

Welcome:

May I, on your behalf, extend a warm welcome to Fr Thomas who will be with us over the summer. Also Canon Daniel Cronin who will be with us this coming week.

New Catechists:

As we work towards working more closely together with Gorleston parish, we need to recruit more catechists. I am grateful to those who have volunteered to work in adult and confirmation catechesis but we need also to strengthen our First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation catechists team. Please offer your services to the Church.

New Altar Servers:

Fr David would like to hear from any children (or adults) who, having made their First Holy Communion, would like to assist at the altar by being trained as an altar server. Contact Fr David via the usual channels.

Interested in becoming a Catholic? – COME AND SEE!!!!!!!

A special course designed with you in mind will be starting shortly. The course is called by various names, including RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (official title) or ABC – About Being Catholic or Journey in Faith. I like simply the invitation Jesus offered his first disciples – Come and See. So if you're interested in becoming a Catholic – come and see! An introductory evening will be held on Wednesday 25th September at 7:30pm. Venue – TBC. *Fr David*

Booking a Mass:

If you wish to book a Mass intention, it is advisable to do so well in advance. A week before will not guarantee your preferred date or time. If you book a Mass over the phone you are required to make the offering as soon as possible after the call. Please use the Mass envelope provided at the back of Church.

Diary Dates:

- 1. **SVP** next meeting Wednesday 5th Aug 10:30am at St Ignatius, Caister
- Sunday School Both GY & Acle are now on their summer breaks & will resume in Sept.
- 3. **Vintage Tea Party** 11th Aug St Ignatius Church see details below

Estate of the late Reggie Elwin:

The parish is indebted to the estate of the late Reggie Elwin for the generous donation of £3,000 towards the parish. Reggie was a familiar face in St Mary's and one-time caretaker of St Mary's School. May he rest in peace.

Guild of Our Lady of Ransom:

We are also indebted to the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom for the gift of £5,250 towards essential repairs to the Rectory – to include repair of roof, replacement bedroom window and external painting works. (And if money permits, upgrading the washroom facilities).

John Jarrold Trust:

The Parish acknowledges with grateful thanks the sum of £1,000 from the John Jarrold Trust towards the Restoration Project. (If you know of a Trust that could be approached for additional funding, please let Fr David know).

Vintage Tea-Party Afternoon:

Come and join in an old-fashioned get together with tea/cakes/raffle & music on 11th August at St Ignatius Church, Caister 2:00-5:00 to raise funds for the Restoration Fund.

Brand New Bath & Toilet:

An Acle parishioner has a brand new white Twyford bath & toilet available (bath side panel & taps included). Any donation given for these items will then very kindly be donated to the Restoration Fund. For more information contact Mr Joe Power on 01493 750480

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 Doris & Reg Partington for whom the four lights burn in birthday memories for this week.



The Catholic Church teaches:

Moral conscience, present in the heart of the person, is a judgement of reason which at the appropriate moment enjoins him to do good and to avoid evil. Thanks to moral conscience, the human person perceives the moral quality of an act to be done or which has already been done, permitting him to assume responsibility for the act. When attentive to moral conscience, the prudent person can hear the voice of God who speaks to him or her. (CCC 1776-1780, 1795-1797).