

Catholic Parish of St Mary's

Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Acle & Caister

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5th Sunday of Lent – 17th MARCH 2013

Masses and services for the week ahead

Day	Place	Time	Intention
Saturday 16 th Mar	5th Sunday of Lent – Vigil Mass		
	Caister	5.30	Leo Sutton RIP
Sunday 17 th Mar	Acle	9.15	People of the Parish
	GY	11:00	Mary Murray RIP
	GY	4:00	Stations of the Cross
Monday 18 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	-	-	No Mass Today
Tuesday 19 th Mar	S Joseph, Spouse of the BVM. Solemnity		
	GY	7pm	Mario do Rego & Jacinta Fatima Da Silva
Wednesday 20 th Mar	Lent Feria		
	GY	7:30am	Holy Souls
Thursday 21 st Mar	Lent Feria		
	GY	10:00	Holy Souls
Friday 22 nd Mar	Lent Feria - CAFOD lunch to follow		
	GY	12:00	Holy Souls
	GY	7:30	Lent Meditation with Sister Mary Clare
Saturday 23 rd 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, especially Malcolm Heart & Reggie Clark. *Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace, Amen.*

Prayer of the week:

Lord, as you have loved me, may I love others. As you have forgiven me, may I forgive others. As you have been merciful to me, may I be merciful to others. As you laid down your life for me, may I lay down my life for others, 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	£131.00
Planned Giving	£36.73
Standing Orders	£263.15
Loose	£374.07
TOTAL	£804.95

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 the Restoration Fund raised:

£106.60

Next week's Appeal Collection for the Restoration Fund

Restoration Funding stands at:

£31,769.74 (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

Chapel of All Nations:

The Flags of England, Italy, USA, Brazil, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Poland, Vatican, Lithuania, Brazil, Cyprus, Spain, Belgium, E.U. & Ghana have now been purchased. (That's 16 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

Easter Offering Envelope – please find attached your Easter offering for Fr David – thank you

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 - the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Antonio Mennini will be presiding. Leave Gorleston 5pm, pick-up GY 5:15 & Acle 5:30. Please add names to sheet at back of Church - tickets £8 adult £4 children

Penitential Service: A joint service will be held with the Gorleston parish at St Peter's on Monday 25th March at 7:30pm-all welcome.

Gift Aid & Planned Giving Envelopes:

Please collect your envelopes for the coming tax year from the back of the church. Please note the planned giving envelopes are slightly different this year.

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

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 3 booklet is now on sale at back of church £2.50. The Course continues after the 7pm Mass on Tuesdays at 7.30pm All are welcome.

The Next session will be on 19th March then break for Easter to resume on 16th April.

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 5th Sunday of Lent

God of power, God of mercy, you bring forth springs in the wasteland and turn despair into hope. Look not upon the sins of our past, but lift from our hearts the failures that weigh us down, that we may find refreshment and life in Christ, our liberator from sin.

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

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. **Private Intention this week.**

Friday Lent Meditation: Sixth Session – On The Cross (Matthew 15:20-39) Fridays in Lent at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre

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.

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.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2013

Takes place 23rd-30th August 2013-poster at back of church or contact www.catholicassociation.co.uk for more info

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

Diary Dates:

1. SVP – next meeting Wednesday 20th March 10am at St Ignatius, Caister
2. FHC – 19th Mar- the children will then lead Stations of the Cross-all welcome

HOLY WEEK SERVICES
23rd – 31st March 2013

Palm Sunday 23/24 March	Place	Time
Vigil Mass 23rd	Caister	5.30pm
Polish MASS +confessions before	GY	7pm 6.15pm
Sunday 24 th MASS	Acle	9.15
Sunday 24 th MASS	GY	11am

Monday 25th		
Penitential Service with St Mary's	Gorleston	7.30pm

Tuesday 26th		
MASS	GY	10am

Wednesday 27th		
MASS OF THE CHRISM	Norwich	7.30pm

Thursday 28th		
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	GY	7.30pm

GOOD FRIDAY 29th		
Walk of Witness	GY	10.30am Outside Burtons
SOLEMN LITURGY	GY	3pm
Stations of the Cross	GY	7pm

HOLY SATURDAY 30th		
Blessing of foods (Polish custom)	GY	2pm
VIGIL and FIRST MASS OF EASTER	GY	8pm

(the normal 5.30pm Mass at Caister will said on Easter Sunday at 10am – see below)

EASTER SUNDAY 31st MARCH		
Mass	Acle	9.15am
Mass	Caister	10am
Solemn Mass	GY	11am

EASTER MONDAY – 1st April		
MASS	GY	11am



The Catholic Church teaches:

The Church has the mission and the power to forgive sins because Christ himself has conferred it upon her: “Receive the Holy Spirit, if you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained” (*John 20:22-23*). (CCC 981-983, 986-987)