

Catholic Parish of St Mary's

Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Acle & Caister

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 20th JANUARY 2013

Masses and services for the week ahead

Day	Place	Time	Intention
Saturday 19 th Jan	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Vigil Mass		
	Caister	5.30	Julie Horan RIP
Sunday 20 th Jan	Acle	9.15	People of the Parish
	GY	11am	Nigel Brian Ainsworth RIP
Monday 21 st Jan	St Agnes VM - Mem		
	GY	-	No Mass Today
Tuesday 22 nd Jan	St Vincent deacon (opt Mem)		
	GY	-	No Mass today
Wednesday 23 rd Jan	Feria		
	GY	-	No Mass today
Thursday 24 th Jan	St Francis de Sales BD - Mem		
	GY	-	No Mass today
Friday 25 th Jan	Feast of the Conversion of St Paul		
		-	No Mass today
Saturday 26 th Jan	Ss Timothy and Titus Bps, Mem		
	GY	10am	

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, Maura Davitt, Arnie Dougal, Reg Elwin, Jose Fina Florida, Alice Fraher, Ray Gordon, Beryl King, Glenn Nudd, Joe Paton, Joyce Platt, Catherine Styles, and Suzan Whitelock.

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:

Through our baptism
Bless our efforts for peace
Bless the hearts of all people that they may seek peace
Bless our hearts and homes with peace
through Christ, our Lord. Amen

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A Warm Welcome to all our Visitors this weekend

Information

Parish Priest

Fr David Jennings
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Parish Deacon

Rev Peter Glanville
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Parish Office Hours

Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am - 1pm

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 10-11am

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	£173.50
Planned Giving	£150.71
Standing Orders	£263.15
Loose	£392.88
TOTAL	£980.24

If we are to maintain the parish we need to realise **£1,100** each week. Please increase your offering.

Special or retiring collections

Last Sunday's Second collection for SPUC raised:

£217.95

This week's Appeal is for Pax Christi.

Restoration Funding stands at:

£26,066.01 (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

More Counters:

I am grateful to the 6 pairs who have agreed to help with counting the money. We still need 2 more pairs so that this work does not become onerous to a few.

Can you help?

Chapel of All Nations:

The Flags of Italy, USA, Brazil, Scotland, Ireland and Poland have now been purchased. (That's only 6 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

Crib Offering:

£54.43

Activities which need your support:

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) and sign up on the front page. We will reduce the quantity of newsletters we print each week thereafter.

Do you shop on-line??

If you do, you can arrange that a percentage from the price of your purchase will go to the parish. Watch out for details in the coming weeks

Doorway to Faith:

The Next session will be on 12th February due to Fr David being away

Parish Census:

We are in the early stages of preparing a parish census and would welcome those ethnic groups in the parish to help in ensuring all parish members fill it in. A multilingual version of the census will be provided – also on-line.

Diocesan Year Book

On sale at the back of church - £3.00 each

Sunday Brunch:

Fr David is interested in the idea of holding a Parish Sunday Brunch from time-to-time and inviting groups within the parish to host the cuisine of their respective country. Comments would be welcome

2013 Diaries are now available at the back of Church. They cost **£2.00** each.

Parish Administrator/Secretary:

I am pleased to announce that the parish has appointed Mrs Jo Kelf as the Parish Administrator/Secretary. Jo has already started work in the Rectory. The Parish Office is open Tues, Wed and Thurs mornings. I know you will extend to her a warm welcome as she settles into her new role.

Fr David

Celebrating baptisms in the Parish:

While often bringing family members together, we should remember that, in fact, baptism brings a person into the life of the Church and, in particular, a local parish community. In order to reflect this more perfectly, the Rite of Welcome, which usually takes place at the beginning of the baptism ceremony, will now take place at Sunday Mass (even if the baptism takes place on another day). This will allow the whole community to play its part in welcoming those to be baptized into the family of the local church. This will come into immediate effect.

Fr David

Weekday Mass: If you are free most weekday mornings, why not get into the good habit of coming to Mass

Change of Bank Account

The Parish has changed its Bank Account to HSBC. If you pay your parish offering or anything to the parish, please create a new standing Order asap

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

Prayer for the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary time

**God of wonders, at Cana in Galilee
you revealed your glory in Jesus Christ
and summoned all humanity to life in him.
Show to your people
your transforming power
and give us a foretaste of the wine
you keep for the age to come**

Fr David away:

Fr David will be away from 21st – 31st January. Please refer enquiries to the Parish Office, Deacon Peter or, in an emergency, to Fr Henry at Gorleston (662239)

Supply Priest:

Next weekend we welcome Fr Edward, MS, from St Ives, who will be celebrating Masses for us. I know you will extend to him a warm welcome.

Polish Mass – Next Saturday (26th) followed by a social event in the Parish Hall.

Parish email change:

We have changed the Parish's email address to : stmarysrcgy@gmail.com Alternatively emails can be sent directly to Fr David at: frdavidstmarysgy@gmail.com

Spent Ink Cartridges:

Please support the church by putting any spent ink cartridges into the box at the back of church. This raises a further income to the parish.

Unity Sunday

This Sunday is designated as Unity Sunday when we come together and pray, as Christ himself did, for the unity of his followers.

There will be a special Service at 4pm at Caister Anglican Church this Sunday (20th). Please join Fr David there and show the presence of the Catholic Community at this event.

Church is open every day (except Monday) from 8.30am – 1pm (winter time). After the new CCTV and security systems are installed, we hope to have the church open for longer.

Preparing for Lent:

With less than 3 weeks to the beginning of Lent I would invite comments on a proposed Lent 2013 Programme:

- **Sunday – Stations of the Cross** at 4pm and led by parishioners/groups
- Each weekday after Mass – **Prayer at the foot of the Cross**
- Tuesdays – after 7pm Mass – **Doorway to Faith Programme**
- **Wednesday early risers Mass at 7.30am with breakfast following**
- Friday Mass at 12noon followed by a **Hunger Lunch** (monies to CAFOD)
- Friday 7.30pm **Lent Meditation** with visiting speaker
- **Saturday Mass at 9.30am with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 10.30am**

If this programme is going to be a success and you get something from it, you will need to commit to some part of it.. You can email your comments to frdavidstmarysgy@gmail.com

Diary Dates:

1. A Training Session for all Parish Readers will take place on Saturday 2nd March 12noon – 1pm at the Caister Church
2. A Training Session for all St Mary's Eucharistic Ministers will take place after the 11am Mass on Sunday 10th February. Acle and Caister at another time.
3. The new Pastoral Parish Council will meet on Thursday 7th February (supper 7pm, meeting 7.45pm)

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.

An envelope is available now.

Church Cleaning + Cleaners:

Dora has coordinated this vital work for many years, but is now wanting to retire. We, therefore, need a new coordinator and more helpers. Please offer your services. See Fr David



The Catholic Church teaches:

The coming of God's Son to earth is an event of such immensity that God willed to prepare for it over centuries. He makes everything converge on Christ : all the rituals and sacrifices, figures and symbols of the "First Covenant". He announces him through the mouths of prophets who succeeded one another in Israel. Moreover, he awakens in the hearts of the pagans a dim expectation of his coming. (CCC522)