

# Catholic Parish of St Mary's

*Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Acle & Caister*

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**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 3rd FEBRUARY 2013**

Masses and services for the week ahead

Day	Place	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Vigil Mass</b>		
	Caister	5.30	Visiting Priest's Intention
<b>Sunday</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Acle	9.15	Waterson Family Dec'd
	GY	11am	James Hill Anniv
<b>Monday</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>St Thomas Aquinas PD - Mem</b>		
	GY	-	No Mass Today
<b>Tuesday</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>Feria</b>		
	GY	-	No Mass today
<b>Wednesday</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>Feria</b>		
	GY	10am	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
<b>Thursday</b> 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	<b>St John Bosco P - Mem</b>		
	GY	-	No Mass today
<b>Friday</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	<b>Feria</b>		
		9.45am	St Marys School, Gorleston Hugh Glen RIP
<b>Saturday</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	<b>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</b>		
	GY	10am	<i>With blessing of candles</i> <i>Fred McWilliam</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, 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, 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:

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

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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

1<sup>st</sup> 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	£67.21
Planned Giving	£24.00
Standing Orders	£263.15
Loose	£370.81
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£725.17</b>

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 Pax Christi raised:

**£132.47**

## This week's Appeal is for Catholica Education Service

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

## 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](http://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 12<sup>th</sup> Feb due to Fr David being away

## 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**

## Staff Restructuring:

Fr David has made a number of staff restructures. This will mean an estimated further saving of £2,600 off our £15K annual deficit this coming year.

## Diocesan Year Book

They should be here soon!!!! Sorry for the delay.

## 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



Prayer for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time

**God of salvation, in your prophet,  
Jesus the Christ, you announce freedom and  
summon us to conversion.  
As we marvel at the grace and power of your  
word, enlighten us to see the beauty of the  
gospel and strengthen us to embrace its  
demands.**

**Fr David away:**

Fr David is away Monday 4<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February at the Rural & Catholic Conference. Please refer enquiries to the Parish Office, Deacon Peter or, in an emergency, to Fr Henry at Gorleston (662239)

**Portuguese :**

Fr David is happy to receive members of the Portuguese Community who wish see him on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February between 11am and 12noon (Paula Di Castro will be in attendance to assist) Pe. David está feliz em receber membros da Comunidade Português que desejam vê-lo no sábado, 02 de fevereiro entre as 11h e às 12 da manhã (Paula Di Castro estarão presentes para ajudar)

**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.***

**Parents FHC Meeting with Fr David.** - reminder that the rescheduled date for the next meeting is **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February.**

**The Awakened Heart** A Christian Zen Retreat led by Fr Gordon Williams (Roshi) on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February at Our Lady of Pity Catholic Church, Swaffham 10:30-3:00 – admission free, please bring packed lunch. A day of recollection in the Zen tradition with meditation for beginners and those already practising Tel Fr Gordon 01760 721418



**The Catholic Church teaches:**

**All are invited by Jesus to enter the kingdom of God. Even the worst of sinners is called to convert and to accept the boundless mercy of the Father. Already here on earth, the Kingdom belongs to those who accept it with a humble heart. To them the mysteries of the Kingdom are revealed. (CCC541-546)**

**Preparing for Lent:**

With less than 1 week 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 9.30pm 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](mailto:frdavidstmarysgy@gmail.com)

**Diary Dates:**

1. A Training Session for all Parish Readers will take place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> February. Acle and Caister at another time.
3. The new Pastoral Parish Council will meet on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February (supper 7pm, meeting 7.45pm)
4. SVP – next meeting Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 10am at St Ignatius, Caister

**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