

# Catholic Parishes of St Mary's, Great Yarmouth and St Peter's, Gorleston

*Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Gorleston, Acle & Caister*

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## 4<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF LENT – 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2020

### Divine Office Week 4

Registered Charity No:  
278742

Day	Place	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday) – Vigil Mass</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Sunday</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	-	-	No Public Mass
	-	-	No Public Mass
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>The Annunciation of the Lord. Solemnity.</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b>		
	-	-	No Public Mass

**Please remember in your prayers: all in the parish who are ill;** Molly Able, Tony Adamson, Ann Askew, Tony Baker, Tim Bushell, Brendan Byrne, Mary Byrne, Jeanette Charalambous, Jane Christie, Stephen Christie, Ursula Cole, Angela Cooper, Marie Coward, Anthony D'Arcy, Geoffrey Davis, Filomena Desira, Sam Desira, Martin Downey, Susan Fabian, Alice Flynn, Sam Gill, Joyce Hastings, Rosemarie Hawkins, Michael Howlings, Ruth Jermy, Pat Kirton, Brian Lafferty, Mollie Marsden, Ian McCabe, Eileen McCarney, Linda McGurk, Margaret Morton, Glen Nudd, Joanne O'Gregory, Joe Paton, Dorothy Pearce, Beryl Pearson, Tom Ryan, Michael Ryan, Marta Sofia, Frank Tennant, Jonathon Walsh, Anthony Willets, Patrick Willets and Karen Zerafa. May the Lord heal them.

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time;** Maureen Bacon, Jack Barclay, Gwendoline Brewer, Garth Byram, Hilda Collins, Maria Dormer, Edmund Filiette, Catherine Girling, Daniel Grehan, Vincent Helstrip, William Hopkins, Donald Jordan, Marie Longman, Edward McCarthy, Ada McNally, Joyce Merchor, Tom Rowbottom, Frederick Smith, Frances Thomas, Edward Wardrop and Paul Whyte. May they rest in peace.

**PLEASE NOTE DUE TO THE CURRENT CORONAVIRUS SITUATION THERE ARE NO MASSES – PLEASE SEE STATEMENT ON REVERSE OF NEWSLETTER OR ON THE RCDEA.ORG.UK FOR MORE DETAILS**

### Information

#### **Priest in Charge**

Fr Anthony Nwankwo SMMM

#### **Assistant Priest**

Fr Alvan Ibeh SMMM  
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#### **Assistant Priest**

Fr Alex Ibe SMMM  
Tel: 01493 301013

#### **Parish Deacon**

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

SM Tue 09:00 – 14:00  
SP Wed 09:00 – 14:00  
SP Thurs 09:00 – 12:00

#### **Schools**

St Mary & St Peter  
Primary School  
Tel: 01493 445117  
Notre Dame High School  
Norwich Tel: 01603 611431

#### **Baptism**

2 months' notice required

#### **Marriage**

6 months' notice required

#### **Emergency Number**

If you need a priest in an emergency please contact  
01502 572453  
(OLSS, Lowestoft)

#### **The Cycle of Prayer**

During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Women's World Day of Prayer; Penitents and Wanderers.

#### **Psalm Response:**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Parish Stewardship

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

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Mary's

Gift Aid	£90.50
Loose	£276.96
Standing Orders	£200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£567.46</b>

Weekly Offertory Collection – St Peter's

Gift Aid	£120.10
Loose	£184.54
Standing Orders	£120.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£424.64</b>

**St Mary's Restoration Funding stands at:  
£-(minus) 13,600.55  
Basket at the back of Church for Lenten Alms**

**Letter from Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Archbishop**

**Malcolm McMahon** was issued on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March stopping public acts of worship in Catholic Churches until further notice. In response to the Coronavirus pandemic, so many aspects of our lives must change. This includes the ways in which we publicly express our faith. It is very clear that, following official advice and in order to keep each other safe, save lives and support the NHS, at this time we must not gather for public acts of worship in our churches. This will begin from **Friday evening, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020**, until further notice. Our churches will remain open. They are not closing. They will be a focal point of prayer, where you will find solace and strength. In visiting our churches at this time, we will observe with great care the practices of hygiene and the guidance on social distancing. However, the celebration of Mass, Sunday by Sunday and day by day, will take place without a public congregation. Knowing that the Mass is being celebrated; joining in spiritually in that celebration; watching the live-streaming of the Mass; following its prayers at home; making an act of spiritual communion: this is how we share in the Sacrifice of Christ in these days. These are the ways in which we will sanctify Sunday, and indeed every day. We want everyone to understand that in these emergency circumstances, and for as long as they last, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is removed. This is, without doubt, the teaching of the Church (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2181). This pandemic is the 'serious reason' why this obligation does not apply at this time. Your own bishop and parish priest will provide further support, encouragement and information about our way of prayer together in the coming weeks. The second vital aspect of these challenging times is our care for each other. There are so many ways in which we are to do this: being attentive to the needs of our neighbour, especially the elderly and vulnerable; contributing to our local food banks; volunteering for charitable initiatives and organisations; simply keeping in touch by all the means open to us. During these disturbing and threatening times, the rhythm of the prayer of the Church will continue. Please play your part in it. The effort of daily kindness and mutual support for all will continue and increase. Please play your part in this too. For your commitment to this, we thank you.

**Live streaming of Mass** from St Laurence's, Cambridge ([www.saintlaurence.org.uk](http://www.saintlaurence.org.uk)) and the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham ([www.walsingham.org.uk](http://www.walsingham.org.uk))

**Forthcoming Diary Dates:**

1. **SM SVP** – meetings currently cancelled – next meeting hopefully Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Apr at 10:00
2. **SP SVP** – meetings cancelled
3. **SP PPC** – next meeting Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Apr at 19:00 in the Presbytery
4. **SP Events Team** – next meeting Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Apr at 19:00 in the Presbytery
5. **SP PFC** – next meeting Wed 13<sup>th</sup> May at 19:00 in the Presbytery

**First Holy Communion Classes** all classes are currently cancelled.

**Confirmation Classes** classes currently cancelled.

**Faith Club** currently cancelled.

**St Peter's Lenten Lunches** have unfortunately been cancelled.

**St Mary's Lenten Lunches** have unfortunately been cancelled.

**Coastal Deanery Lenten Station Mass** this Mass has been cancelled.

**Chrism Mass** this Mass has been cancelled.

**Installation of Grand Knight and officers of KSC** this event has now been cancelled.

**St Peter's Easter Fayre** this event has been cancelled.

**St Peter's Filipino Cultural Night "One Faith, One Church"** planned for **Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>** has been postponed because of the Coronavirus problem. Tickets to be saved for future date.

**St Mary's Parish AGM** will take place in the hall on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** at 13:00 after 11:00 Mass.

**St Peter's Parish AGM** will take place on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May** in the hall after Mass.

**Caritas East Anglia** has postponed the Festival which was due to be held at St George's, Norwich on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March**, due to the measures in place to contain the coronavirus. Please pray for all those who were to have taken part and those who serve, and for all those suffering the effects of this pandemic in anyway. Caritas is here to support the poor and marginalised. If you are able to help coordinate support at this time, please contact Jacinta [caritas@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:caritas@rcdea.org.uk)

**Part-time Finance and Administration Assistant** required by the Diocese, 20 hours per week. Details at [finance@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:finance@rcdea.org.uk) or [rcdea.org.uk](http://rcdea.org.uk). Closing date Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April

**Our local foodbanks** are suffering greatly during these unprecedented times we find ourselves in. Please if you can support them in anyway please do reach out.

**We pray** for all our parishioners, family members and friends whose birthday is in the month of March.

**Items for the newsletter** please email to [rectorystmarys@gmail.com](mailto:rectorystmarys@gmail.com) as I will be working from home at this current time but can still access the emails. Please note both Parish Offices will be closed until further notice. I will try to continue as normal as much as is possible!! Thank you for your help and understanding, Jo.