OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE Parish News

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Saturday 23rd March/Sunday 24th March 2024 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (B)



<u>SICK PARISHIONERS</u>: We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers:

Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Mary Davis, Catherine Hughes, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Megan Delaney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Chris Brodie, Barbara Mansell, Janet Cash, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, Bob Bothello, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, Olive Norman, Hazel Smith, John Kisielowski, Peggy White, Janine Corbey, Bridget Finneral, Jordan Caulfield, Mary O'Keeffe, Kate Friedlein, Stephanie Price, Sharon Jenner, Maria Caparco, Danny Clifford, Joachim Mwenibandu, Siobhan Riordan, Anne Bardell and Brian Hankey.

ANNIVERSARIES: Nicholas Williamson, Margaret Francis, Winifred Finneral, Archie Hill, Hugh Donlon, James Rooney, James Irons, Laurence O'Keeffe, Mary Peagram, Bob Beagley, Michael Boxall, John Clarke, Kit Edwards, Ann-Marie Peril and Doreen Boylan.

May they rest in peace.

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD: As in the past couple of years, Fr David will bless the special Easter food which is a very important part of the Paschal celebration for the Polish community.

This will take place at 2.00pm on Holy Saturday afternoon.

Youth Mass, Thursday 4th April 2024 Celebrating the Easter week with a Praise and Worship Music Workshop.

Meet in the Parish Hall from 6pm for pizza and refreshments, before being lead in a music workshop with Art Wangcharoensab from the Cathedral music department.

Singing is a wonderful way of praying together, sharing our talents and celebrating our faith, particularly in the joyful week following Easter Sunday! You are welcome to sing, bring an instrument or just listen if you prefer!

At 7:30, Mass will then be celebrated in the Cathedral, where you are also welcome to sing, play, read or serve (just bring along an alb or instrument.) All information can be found at www.bcys.net Absolutely everyone is very welcome!

ANGLIA SINGERS

The concert by the Anglia Singers this coming Sunday, 24 March includes a performance of Faure's celebrated Requiem. The Singers are dedicating this in loving memory and thanks for the friendship of Martin Fee. Martin was organist and choir director at this church for 37 years but also a member of the Anglia Singers. Taking part in Sunday afternoon's performance will be Wendy Purkiss (nee Fee), who will be singing the **Pie Jesu** included in the Requiem. The baritone soloist is Owain Jones who was a teacher at St John Payne School when Wendy was a student. The concert starts at 4pm and will last for just over one hour with refreshments available in the Jubilee Hall afterwards.

The concert will be a wonderful opportunity for our Parish to give thanks to Martin for his dedication to Our Lady Queen of Peace Church over those 37 years.

Martin's Funeral will take place next Tuesday at 2.30pm at St Peter's In The Field, Church, Bocking End.

FR PAUL: I am delighted to say that Fr Paul will be arriving on Tuesday and so will be with us for all of Holy Week and Easter, we very much look forward to welcoming him.

Fr David

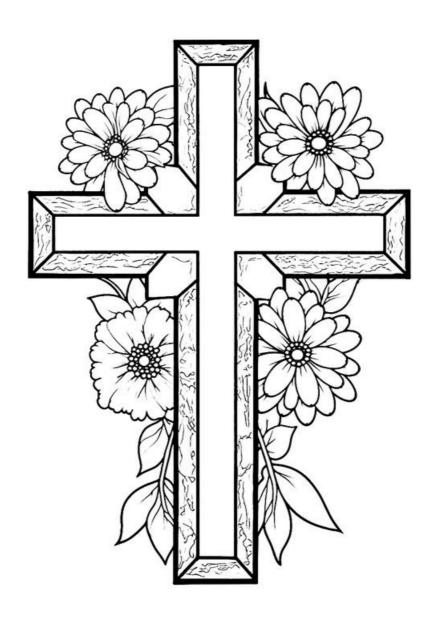
<u>SVP</u> - Many of you will be aware that not far from OLQP there is the St John Bosco Children's Camp. The camp is run during the summer for the benefit of young children aged 9 -12, many for whom this will be the only holiday they will have as a child.

The cost for each child is £285, this includes accommodation, food, activities and in many cases, transport to and from the venue.

We are hoping to raise enough money to pay for at least 2 places and would be grateful for the support of the parish.

If you are able, please put any donations into an envelope with SVP, SJB on the front, and post through the Presbytery door, thank you.





CONFESSIONS: Please note that there are no confessions on Saturday 30th March and Saturday 6th April.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Please note that the final Stations of the Cross will be on Good Friday evening at 7.30pm.

Everyone is warmly invited to attend this tradition devotion which enables us to reflect on the events of the Lord's Passion.

<u>CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u>: **2.00pm on Saturday 23rd March** in the Church, followed by a little afternoon tea in the Jubilee Hall. Everyone welcome, please let Clare in the office know if you are coming along so we know how many to cater for.

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to buy a lily in remembrance of a loved one, to decorate the altar this Easter, please put a donation in an envelope and mark it "**EASTER LILY**". Inside the envelope, put the name of the person or persons you would like to remember and all the people on our "Easter Lillies List" will then be remembered at every Mass during the Easter season .

Please post it through the Presbytery letterbox as soon as possible. If you are in our Gift aid scheme, then please quote your gift aid number. **Thank you.**

CHILDREN'S MASS AND PRAYER BOOKS AT THE BACK OF CHURCH:

Please can you ensure that these are returned to the back of Church after Mass. We have had quite a few that haven't been put back and we now need to order more.

Thank you.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (B) Saturday 23rd March	6.00pm	Ints Linda Joyce Byrne & Daniel Gouthon RIP (A) (Kiddle)
	9.00am	Tony Stubbs RIP and Ints His Family
Sunday 24th March	11.00am	Stephen Tate RIP (O'Connor)
Monday 25th March	No Mass	
Tuesday 26th March 9.10am	Morning Prayer	
9.30am	Mass	Anita Paul RIP (B'day) (Seward) &
		Gary Caulfield RIP (Mohan)
Wednesday 27th March MASS OF CHRISM 11.00am	Brentwood Cathedral	
Thursday 28th March (MAUNDY THURSDAY) 8.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Anita Paul RIP (B'day) (Josie Baker) & Christopher Burgess RIP (Mark and Anne)
Friday 29th March FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)		
9.15am	Morning Prayer	
3.00pm	Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	
7.30pm	Stations of the Cross	

Saturday 30th March HOLY SATURDAY 9.15am	Morning Prayer (with special readings)	
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD THE EASTER VIGIL OF THE HOLY NIGHT	7.15pm	Anita Paul RIP (B'day) (Bill) & People of the Parish
Saturday 30th March MASSES OF EASTER SUNDAY		
Sunday 31st March	9.00am	Jane Robinson RIP (Digby Family)
	11.00am	Ints Theresa Rowntree (Burford)