

Upcoming Parish Social Events

1st April – Passover Meal 5pm
7th April – Mass for the Sick and Housebound 2.00pm
7th April – Game Show Night 7.30pm
21st April – Coffee Morning 10.30am
28th April – Quiz Night 7.30pm
13th May – Teddy Bears Picnic 3 to 5pm
19th May – Coffee Morning 10.30am
16th June – Coffee Morning 10.30am
17th June – Summer Ball 7.30pm

We are always looking for help with organising events. Please contact John Chantry on 07885421869 or email john.chantry.23@btinternet.com

Our Lady Golfing Society

The AGM will be held at Ansdell Institute, Woodlands Road, Ansdell on Monday 20th March at 8.00pm. Five golf days this year. New members always welcome. For full details please ring the Secretary on 736480.

A CELEBRATION OF OUR PASSOVER HERITAGE ON 1ST APRIL AT 5PM

I have now finalised meal and price details with our caterer. Tickets are £12 per adult and £7 per child and our menu choices are melon or vegetable soup, salmon in white wine sauce or chicken breast wrapped in bacon with a sage and onion gravy and a choice of deserts. I will be selling tickets between 9.30 and 11am Masses and after 6.30 Mass. Alternatively just give me a ring on 01253 736069 or 0771 4588068.

Thank you!

The raffle prize donated by you all have now come flooding in and here at the Social Committee group we're delighted. We can't thank you all enough. It makes running the social events just that wee bit simpler when we don't need to go scurrying around for prizes. So thank you on and all.

Mothers Prayers

Please make a note in your diaries that the Mothers Prayers' meeting for APRIL has been changed from Wednesday, 12th April to Wednesday 5th April. This is chiefly to avoid the clash between the prayer meeting and other Holy Week events. The prayer group will still be held in the Blue Room at 7pm.

Your News!

Please email info@ourladystarofthesea.co.uk for news to be included in the bulletin or website. Alternatively, pass onto Fr Peter.

Parish Centre Bookings/Enquiries: 07759 144537

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 19th

09.30 People of the Parish
11.00 Ron Wilson R.I.P.
18.30 The Holy Souls

Monday 20th

10.00 Special Intention (E)

Tuesday 21st

10.00 Bernadette Gillespie

Wednesday 22nd

10.00 Jack Halstead

Thursday 23rd

10.00 Michael Keane R.I.P.

Friday 24th

10.00 Jeanne McCoombe
R.I.P.

Saturday 25th

12.00 CC (Health)

Sunday 26th

09.30 People of the Parish
11.00 Margaret McKeon R.I.P.
18.30 Angela & Paul Henshaw

PLEASE PRAY FOR

All who are sick and housebound and especially

Rose Moss, Norah Ince, Rose Wilson, Norah Osborn, Elaine Anne Acton-Reid, Bill Murphy, Peter McCabe, Rosemary Saddington, Josie McDonough, Helen Tittle, Ada Platt, Gerard Curley, Adam Crosby, Christine Reac Angela Barnes, Esme Henderson, Fr Harry Holden, Joyce Conroy, Don Newsome, Nellie Hosty, Ron Amble Marie Dugdale, Jim Thomas, Sadie Everard-Walker, Marie Palmer, A.A., Wyn Jenkinson, Diane Evans, Brenda Large, Bob Blundell.

Our Lady of Lourdes Pray for them, Amen.

All who died recently.

And whose anniversaries are at this time

Wilfred Barnes, George Sharp, Irene Sharples, Canon Edmond Carey, Teresa Fallon, Anne O'Connor.

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

Feast Days this Week

Monday: St. Joseph
Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading 1- Exod 17:3-7
Psalm- Ps 94:1-2, 6-9
Reading 2- Rom 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel Acc- John 4:42. 15
Gospel- John 4:5-42

OTHER LITURGIES

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament- Before 10.00
Weekday Mass / Saturday 11.00 - 12.00*
Morning Prayer- Before Mon to Fri 10.00 Mass 09.45
Holy Rosary- Saturday 11.30* (*Not through Lent)
Confessions- Saturday 11.30-12 / Sunday 18.00-18.30

Parish Finance

Last week's collection raised £1161.75 for parish funds and the CAFOD Fast Day Collection amounted to £1422.41 Thank you.

Cleaning our church

Maybe you would like to help, can't manage a Friday morning but could manage an hour or so on a Saturday morning. If interested, call Christopher on 07715656853.

Welcomers & Collectors Needed

For Sunday Masses. Can you help? If so please call Tom on 01253 723581.

Free English Lessons

Free English Lessons for Beginners and those with some knowledge. All are invited to join the classes held at the Parish Centre on St. Albans Road on Mondays 1.30pm to 3.00pm and Mondays 7.00pm to 8.30pm. All nationalities welcome. If interested please come along or call Lesley Turner 07840 924882 or Sheila O'Brien 01253 725680.

During Lent

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated every Saturday at 11.15am. These will be led by different parish groups.

There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament or Rosary on the Saturdays of Lent.

During Lent an extra Mass will be celebrated on Fridays at 8.00am in the school hall. All are welcome to come along to this Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Displayed in the church porch you will find correspondence and photographs received from two SVP Conferences in India with whom we are 'twinned'. The letters express grateful thanks for our assistance and describe the various ways in which this has enabled them to help those in need within their own communities. Also displayed is a certificate acknowledging our contribution to the work of the SVP at the baby feeding centres in Sudan. The SVP wishes to thank everyone for their continued support.

CASH GIVEAWAY

Any young Catholic person in Year 11 and under 25 can apply for a Bursary grant from the Catenian Association when volunteering to assist in pilgrimages to Lourdes or to take part in projects further afield. Go to www.thecatenians.co.uk for more info.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Later this year, in November, the Bishop will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish. This will be for young people in year 7 and above. Watch this space for details of the programme and how to enroll on it.

Prayer Group Information

In order to enable everyone to attend the Lenten activities the prayer group will not be meeting on Wednesday nights during Lent. We will resume after Easter on Wednesday 19th April. We pray that during this special time God will bless each and every one of us in the parish and will reveal Himself to us anew. For further info please contact Theresa on 07759481254.

St. Anne's Ecumenical Lent Groups

The theme for the series of meetings during Lent is "Crossing Barriers" with sessions on Mondays 11-12 at the United Reformed Church (with an invitation to share in worship afterwards at 12), Wednesday afternoons 2.30pm St. Thomas' Church and Wednesday evenings 7.30pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Centre. Each session will be led by ministers from different churches. All are welcome.

Week 1 Friendship and self-sacrifice

Week 2 How do we view others?

Week 3 What's changed for the better in our churches?

Week 4 Reconciliation – with God and with each other

Week 5 God's work of forgiving

Did you know...over 16 million people across East Africa are in urgent need of food, following months of drought? In South Sudan alone, 4.9 million people - more than 40 per cent of the country's population - urgently need food, and nutrition assistance. In many places, such as South Sudan, the crisis has been exacerbated by conflict and economic collapse. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners on the ground, who are providing vital aid to communities affected by hunger and drought. Please join us in praying for those affected by the hunger crisis in East Africa.

Lourdes Trip

Our annual Diocesan pilgrimage celebrates its 90th anniversary this year. Open to ages Year 11+, prices from £650 for coach travel. (Flight information will follow). 19th July to 29th July. Book now, forms are online at: www.castleriggmanor.co.uk

Offertory Envelopes

The new boxes of Offertory Envelopes for the coming year are available at the back of church. Please take yours today. If anyone who is a taxpayer and who would like to take out a Gift Aid declaration in favour of the parish please speak to Canon Peter or Drev Taylor.

APF Red Mission Boxes

The total amount forwarded to the AP Mill Hill Missionaries from Our Lady Star of the Sea parish for the year 2016, was £2828.29. Thank you so much to everyone for your generosity. This was a wonderful amount. Hopefully, this year we will be able to equal this figure or even exceed it, in supporting this vital missionary work.

Mass for the Sick and Housebound

Friday 7th April 2.00pm in the Parish Centre. All parishioners are invited to come and make this a special celebration with our sick and housebound parishioners. Perhaps there is someone you could invite and bring along? Sick and Housebound parishioners who need transport please contact Peter Donnelly 721481 / Tom Hosty 723581 and Sheila O'Brien 72680 for refreshments.