



St. Michael's Bulletin



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5th SUNDAY OF LENT, March 21st, 2010.

Vigil of Sunday 5.30 pm Holy Souls

9.00 am Margaret Thomas

1030 am Holy Souls

Monday 9.00am Eucharistic Service
Wednesday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass
Friday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass

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Thursday 9.00am Morning prayer & Mass
Friday 7.00 pm Stations and Mass

Saturday 5.30pm Christine Ryman

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FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.

Lord, send Your Healing Spirit on all who are in any way sick or distressed: we pray for Claudina Rodrigues, Eugenie Micotti, Joseph Bradley, Mike Coulehan, Harry Littlefair, Nancy Keogh, Gerald Scullane, Jason Thatcher, David Roberts, Marie Evans, Rita Conlon, Margaret Keane, Siobhain Moran, Maureen Vinall, Frank O'Donnell, Gwen Payne, Pat Walton, Denis Goodchild, Margaret Munter, Michael O'Neil and Mike Nolan.

Bring them Your healing and peace.

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY.

We pray for all who died recently: for all killed in wars, disasters and accidents: victims of terrorism and oppression, and for those who die of starvation or neglect. We pray for Mary Fallon, Mary Ann Kerr, Iva Andrews, Audrey Gallagher, and for Christine Ryman whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Grant them the joy of Your Presence.

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TIMES OF HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES.

How time flies! Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, and the beginning of Holy Week. You may have already taken or received one of the yellow cards with the times of our Services during Holy Week and Easter, but if you have not then please take one today. These cards will now be distributed to all the homes in the parish by many of our kind parishioners. If you do not receive one then it may be that your name is not on our parish address list. If you wish to correct this over-sight give your name and address to one of our welcoming team, to Deacon Francis or to me.

CONFESSION IN LENT

Making a good confession has always been an important part of Lent. Our Reconciliation Service is at 7.00 pm on Monday March 29th. There will also be a Reconciliation service at Sacred Heart in Henley on Tuesday 30th at 7.00 pm if you are not able to come along to ours. There is also one **this week** at St Anne's on Wednesday, 7.30.

LENTEN ALMS

Thanks for all your offerings, which so far total £791.22. Thank you all very much. I am sure we all appreciate that there will never be an end to demands on our generosity for help for those in distress of one kind or another.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER.

There will be an opportunity as we leave church for you to contribute to the funds for our Easter flowers.

READERS NEEDED

Thanks to those of you who have come forward to volunteer – especially new readers - for the services during Holy Week, on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. Are there any more of you who would like to join the Readers' Rota? Please contact Brian Theobald, Deacon Francis or myself.

VOLUNTEERS FOR FOOT-WASHING.

It is always difficult to recruit volunteers for this event on Maundy Thursday. In many parishes there are 12 men who are said to represent the 12 Apostles, but I prefer to have a mix of ladies and gents who are active in the parish throughout the year and who represent various areas of parish life. The symbolism is that the Parish priest washes the feet of those who share in the various works within the parish. Any volunteers?

MENS CLEANING TEAM

We shall have a session of cleaning to ready us for Easter, on Saturday 27th from 9.00 am onwards.

DROP-IN CENTRE.

Please continue to sort out your old clothes which no longer fit. There are many who are waiting eagerly for them.

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ENVELOPES & GIFT AID

After each Mass this week-end Ed Pearce, our Gift-Aid organiser, will speak to us for a few minutes about the way we contribute to the running costs of the parish, and of the best way in which we can give give our support.

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