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Sunday 19th March 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(YEAR A)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 19th March 2023

Fourth Sunday of Lent

LAETARE SUNDAY

MOTHERS' DAY

GIFT AID DAY

POOR PARISHES COLLECTION

6.15 pm (Saturday 18th March 2023)

Jack Oliver RIP

8.30am John Joseph Murphy RIP

10am Gerry O'Neill RIP

11.30am People of the parish

(Plainchant Choir singing at this Mass)

4pm Stations of the Cross

5pm Bridie McDonagh RIP

Fourth Week of Lent

Monday 20th March 2023 (Solemnity)

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, PATRON

OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Grace Boyle RIP

Tuesday 21st March 2023 (Feria)

7.30am Eamon Gillespie RIP

10am Pietro Mobile RIP

Wednesday 22nd March 2023 (Feria)

7.30am Fr Denis Paul RIP

10am Stephen Cowie RIP

(12th anniversary)

Thursday 23rd March 2023 (Feria)

7.30am Elizabeth Scarpa RIP

(Foundation Mass)

10am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP

Friday 24th March 2023 (Feria)

7.30am Fr Edward Holloway RIP

10am Blaise D'Cunha IRP

7pm – 9pm Youth Club in the Lower Hall

Saturday 25th March 2023 (Solemnity)

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

10am Maria RIP

Sunday 26th March 2023

Fifth Sunday of Lent

6.15 pm (Saturday 25th March 2023)

Peter Morton RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am Mary O'Sullivan RIP

11.30am George Meyern RIP &

Anne Mitra RIP

(Hymn Choir singing at this Mass)

4pm Stations of the Cross

5pm Joseph Zhu RIP

NORMAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

*Mass: Monday to Friday 7.30am;

Monday – Saturday: 10am;

*Confession: Saturday, after 10am Mass,
until 11.30am then from 5pm – 6pm.

*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm.

Adoration & Benediction:

Mon – Sat 9.30am

(First Friday after 10am Mass until 2pm)

*Rosary: Monday – Saturday

after 10am Mass

Stations of the Cross: Sunday 4pm

(Rosary & Benediction outside Lent)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

AND HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane,

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah,

Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,

Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese,

Erna Breese, Agnes Buckley,

Philip Chapman, Gerard Cowie,

Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza,

Audrey Draude, Terry Folorunso;

Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco,

Rachel Gadd, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy,

Fr Michael Jones, Terry Jupp,

Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski,

Dorothy Lentini, Philomena Lopez,

James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin,

Otiss McLaughlin, Margaret McSharry,

Ajitha Mahatantila, Mary Meyern,

Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira,

Sheila Price, Parwar Saib,

Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott,

Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy,

Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor,

Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo,

Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu,

Mary White, Ethelda Williams,

Carole Winch, John Windsor,

Charmaine Wise, Fr Alfred Xuereb SJ;

Georgette Yoo Foo

THANKS FOR MASS COVER

We thank Father David Standley and Father Gus Kinnane, both retired from full time priestly ministry, who continue to make themselves available to say Masses on Sundays whilst Father Deo's recovery continues and until we have news of when we shall be welcoming a new assistant priest.

FREE COFFEE MORNING

NEXT SUNDAY

This will be after all morning Masses.

It will be hosted by parents of our

First Holy Communicants.

Do come along and support this and indeed all our increasingly popular coffee mornings, where you can meet and greet and socialise with your fellow parishioners. All are welcome!

GIFT AID "MONEY SUNDAY"

A short talk about Gift Aid will be given at all Masses this weekend.

John Byrne, our Gift Aid Organiser, will be in the hall after all Masses.

Gift Aid information will be available, and you may ask questions directly to John. For those who are taxpayers, the Church can recover an extra 25% on top of what you give under the Gift Aid scheme, without your having to do anything more than sign a form.

Also, you may wish to consider setting up a Standing Order, whether or not you are in the scheme. Please do come along to the hall to collect your box. If you already give by Standing Order, you will need to pick up an envelope containing Gift Aid envelopes for second collections, since Standing Orders do not cover them. We hope that as many will come to collect their envelopes, since, for the past few years, many have never picked them up, even since COVID times. The parish has to pay for these uncollected envelopes.

Standing orders help to cut our costs, as well as enabling us to budget better.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

First Collection: £1138.75

(Gift Aided: £466.50; Non GA: £672.25)

Plus Standing Orders £705.00.

Also received last weekend:

Poor Parishes: Gift Aided: £10.00

Clergy Support Fund: Gift Aided: £10.00

CAFOD:

Gift Aided: £20.00; Non GA: £14.00

(Gift Aid collected by the CSF/CAFOD)

THE SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of
our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and
become instruments of your love and grace.

Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to
all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate
and religious life in our Archdiocese.

May those called hear your voice and respond
wholeheartedly to become the person you created them
to be. Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of
your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we
may love you more deeply and serve you more
faithfully. We ask this through Christ, Your son,
the Eternal High Priest. Amen.

FLOWERS

We thank sincerely those who have been contributing
towards decorating the church with flowers.

If you would like to help us to provide flowers,
please put your donations, however small, into the wall box
in the main porch, clearly marked "Flowers".

OLD STERLING AND FOREIGN CURRENCY

If you have any unwanted foreign currency, including old
British money, please place it in the special basket which
may be found in the main porch. The SVP can obtain
some value from such money, to help with their vital work,
which has become increasingly urgent in these hard times.

MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS

Please post your Mass Offering Envelopes through the
presbytery door. Offerings are voluntary. As a guide, people
tend to give £10.00. Mass offerings may be Gift Aided too,
and there is a special place for that on the envelopes.

Please note that no date or time can be guaranteed.

**If a particular date and time are important to you,
then you are advised to put your request in early.**

There is no availability for 5pm until May 2023.

**Nobody should feel embarrassed about requesting a Mass
Intention if they cannot to make an offering.**

LENTEN DAY OF PENITENCE 2023

This annual opportunity to receive the Sacrament of
Confession as part of your Easter Obligation will take place
on Tuesday 4th April 2023. After the 10am Mass,
the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar.

Adoration will continue and Confessions will be available
throughout the day until Benediction at 7pm.

You are strongly encouraged to set aside time to attend.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALTAR SERVERS

**Please would those altar servers available to serve
between Palm Sunday, throughout Holy Week and on
Easter Sunday kindly note that this year they should
sign up by email. The address is given below. There will
not be any paper charts stuck to the doors this year!
For safeguarding reasons, parents of those aged under
18 years should email on behalf of their children.**

**Practices will be held prior to each Mass and service,
and most of these will last approximately 45 minutes.**

We hope so see as many of you as we have in past years.

To take part, please email: norburymc@rcaos.org.uk

Here are the details you will need:

Palm Sunday April 2nd 2023.

On Palm Sunday, the 11.30am Mass *only*
will start with a procession from the Hall.

Practice for this Mass the day before:

Saturday 1st April 2023 at 12.30pm.

Maundy Thursday 6th April 2023

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8pm.

Practice the evening before:

Wednesday 5th April 2023 at 7.30pm

Good Friday 7th April 2023

The Passion of the Lord at 3pm.

Practice on the morning of the same day at 10.30am.

Holy Saturday 8th April 2023

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night at 8.30pm.

Practice on the morning of the same day at 10.30am.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA HOLY WEEK POSTERS

These posters will be available next weekend after all
Sunday Masses and the Saturday Vigil Mass. They may be
placed in a window or perhaps a door. The bottom section
folds down to announce, "He is Risen!". You are invited to
take one home and you are kindly asked to make a
voluntary donation to the Seminary Fund.

CHURCH CLEANING

Would all those people who currently clean the church, and
anybody who would like to volunteer for this important weekly
task, kindly contact the parish office with their names and
contact details. These will then be collated, and groups will be
formed, in order to establish a formal rota as soon as possible.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Further help is still needed in order to restart our Children's
Liturgy group during the 10am Mass each Sunday.

Any parishioner who is willing to join the current team of
catechists to help once a month or who wants to have a chat
about what it entails should contact Linda Harries on
07770 623 230 or email: l.harries@gmail.com.