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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT – Year B, Weekday Cycle II, Psalter Week 1

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH 2024

FOR THE NEW MARTYRS

Pope Francis invites prayer “for those around the world who risk their lives for the Gospel, to inspire the Church with their courage and missionary zeal.”

Dates	MASS TIMES
Saturday, 16.03.2024 Lent Feria	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass followed by Benediction and Confessions (Mgr Bruno Scott James+, Michael Rogwitzow+) Cantonese Stations of the Cross at 1pm, followed by Mass at 2pm.
Sunday, 17.03.2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	8.45 am: Holy Mass (<i>Pro populo</i> , Frank Maher+) 11.15 am: Holy Mass (Rose Bontell+, Fr John Glen+, Frank Maher+) 19.00 to 20.00 Community Prayer
Monday, 18.03.2024 Lent Feria	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Tessie & Arthur Jones+ F, Florence Lingwood+, Maryse Reynolds+)
Tuesday, 19.03.2024 St Joseph. Spouse of BVM	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (C M Mahal+, Kathleen Alger+, Mildred Churchman+, Jesse Demambro+, Doris Tucker+)
Wednesday, 20.03.2024 Lent Feria	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Tadeusz Lewandowski+)
Thursday, 21.03.2024 Lent Feria	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Anthony Clarin+, Anchoin Corke+, Margaret Hanley+, Douglas Ingram+, Inocencio Castañó+, Edmund Lawson+)
Friday 22.03.2024	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Thomas Carpenter+, Rev. Chris Heath+) 3.00 pm: Stations of the Cross 18-00-19.00 Stations of the Cross (Syro Malabar)
Saturday, 23.03.2024 Lent Feria	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass followed by Benediction and Confessions (Desmond Orvis+, Fr. Geoffrey Brennan+, Fr William Cooperr+, Fr Augustine Berrell+) 2.00 pm: Holy Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Sunday, 24.03.2024 PALM SUNDAY	8.45 am: Holy Mass (David Burns+, Fr. Joseph Teeling+) 11.15 am: Holy Mass (Percy Cracknell+, Julia Hague+) 19.00 to 20.00 Community Prayer

ORDER OF MASS

Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Ps 42:1-2

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah: 31:31-34

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel (and the House of Judah), but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm 50(51):3-4,12-15

R. A pure heart create for me, O God.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you. **R.**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 5:7-9

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted

so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Jn 12:26

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there also will my servant be.

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Gospel: John 12:20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, ‘Sir, we should like to see Jesus.’ Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

‘Now the hour has come
for the Son of Man to be glorified.
I tell you, most solemnly,
unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and
dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies,
it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it;
anyone who hates his life in this world
will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me,
wherever I am, my servant will be there too.
If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him.

Now my soul is troubled.
What shall I say:
Father, save me from this hour?
But it was for this very reason that I have come to
this hour. Father, glorify your name!’

A voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, ‘It was an angel speaking to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.

'Now sentence is being passed on this world;
now the prince of this world is to be overthrown.
And when I am lifted up from the earth,
I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary (*all bow*)
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen

Communion Antiphon:

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat
falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain.
But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

NOTICES

OLOL FINANCE: Thank you very much for your generosity. Last week you gave:

Standing Orders: £1,016; Dona: £24.58; Hall: £125.

Cheques payable to OLOL & SJF PARISH. Bank transfer details: Barclays Bank UK Plc., Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 03187 187. Please note that although this is named as a parish account it is in fact the Sawston account.

LENT FAITH FORMATION COURSE: PRAYER

The fifth session for this Lent series is on Tuesday 19th March, at 7.30. The title for the session is 'Praying the Mass: sharing in the prayer of Jesus to the Father.' The session will take place via Zoom - details below Please

do share the Zoom details with others, including those from other Christian communities who might be interested. All are very welcome!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81224384346?pwd=bqDrYZVZ4KT0kmKf41iP3Q2Un4w80x.1>

Meeting ID: 812 2438 4346

Passcode: 748022

Full details of all the sessions in Lent can be found on the sheet at the back of the Church. Any questions, please email Clare Watkins: clare@drwatkins.co.uk OLOL QUIZ

QUIZ NIGHT IS GETTING NEARER! Friday 22nd March at 7.00 for 7.30. Suggested donation £5, or more if you like! Proceeds to Mary's Meals (feeding schoolchildren in the developing world). Up to 8 players per table. Bring and share food and drinks. Advance booking if possible (or just turn up on the night but we can't guarantee places). Please e-mail the Quizmaster on bjflood@timicomail.co.uk or phone / text on 07808 296383.

OLOL STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAYS DURING LENT

If you would be available to lead the Stations on one of Fridays, could you please put your name against the appropriate week on the list, which is on the Notice Board in the Church Porch. Many thanks.

Wednesday Club: Our next meeting takes place on Wednesday 20th March, when we shall be visiting the Fitzwilliam Museum. We will meet outside the Museum at 1.45pm. You can get there via the Trumpington Park and Ride - the bus stops right outside! There is a shop and a cafe in the Museum as well as fascinating artifacts, so do come and join us. Contact Trish Morgan -patricia.morgan9904@gmail.com or Pat Richardson - patrichardson01@gmail.com for further details or see the poster in the porch.

MASS WITH SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK is at 2pm on Saturday 23rd March at OLOL. We need some volunteers to give people a lift and help with tea/coffee after Mass. Please spread the news to the housebound and those people who may need the sacramental gift of healing. If you know of someone who would like to attend a needs a lift, please call the the Parish mobile (07754 227468) to give their details.

CONGRATULATIONS to Juliet, and Matthew, who will be confirmed at OLOL on Easter Sunday. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

CHRISM MASS is on Tuesday 26th March at 11.30am at Saint John the Baptist Cathedral, Earlham Road, Norwich, NR2 2PA. There is a free coach leaving Sawston at 9am. Please put your name on the list in the church porch.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST PAUL would like to thank our Parish for your generous donation of £2,195.80 during their Appeal in our Parish -17th 18th February 2024. They assure us of their prayers.

Cambridge Month of Accompanied Prayer, Easter 2024: Once again the team is offering a Month of Accompanied Prayer in April/May 2024. This gives the chance for a weekly meeting with a trained guide, either face to face or via zoom or phone from 15th April-10th May. Face to face meetings are limited to Friday afternoons and held at 7 Brookside. There will be no charge for participation. The closing date for applications is Monday 25th March or very soon after. The introductory sessions will be a chance to experience and reflect on a guided meditation, be given further information and to ask questions about the month. The introductory session via zoom is on Thursday, 11th April from 7 to 8pm; arrangements with guides will be made by email and telephone. The in person opening session will be held in the chapel at 7 Brookside, CB2 1JE on Friday, 12th April from 2- 3pm. This will be followed by a short meeting with your guide to make arrangements for your weekly meetings and a cup of tea or coffee. If you are interested, please email Judy at cambsprayer@gmail.com for more details and an application form. If you would like to find out more by phone you can contact Kay: 07786910406 or Romie: 07941862435.

SVP Membership Support Officer (MSO): SVP would like to recruit an MSO for the East Anglia diocese to support member recruitment and development, provide general support for members and be the link between groups and National Office. This is a part time, home-based role (15 hours per week) working as part of the SVP Membership Team. It would suit someone comfortable giving presentations to large audiences as well working on a personal level with individuals and small groups. It requires the ability to travel around the diocese to make recruitment appeals, work with existing groups, attend meetings and meet with interested parties where appropriate. Having your own transport is essential. Travel expenses are paid. Please email Lance Philpott at lancep@svp.org.uk for further information. Closing date for applications is 24th March 2024.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SING AT THE CHRISM MASS? Bishop Peter Collins will celebrate his second Chrism Mass in the Diocese of East Anglia on Tuesday March 26, at 11.30am and all clergy and laity are invited to join him. The Chrism Mass is the most important annual Diocesan celebration where the

Bishop, clergy, religious and laity gather to celebrate the sacramental life. Bishop Peter said: "I would ask that we gather in a spirit of solidarity to express our Diocesan identity and to reiterate our commitment to the mission of evangelisation."

The new Diocesan Director of Music, David Grealy, will be leading the Diocesan Choir and the music sung will be a mix of the traditional and contemporary, the choral and congregational.

Any individuals or groups interested in singing at the Chrism Mass are invited. Please email: david.grealy@rcdea.org.uk Music will be sent out in advance, and the Diocesan Director of Music will be able to assist in leading rehearsals beforehand.

COMPOSTELLA: Bishop Peter Collins is planning to lead the pilgrimage, walking the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St James) from July 22nd to 29th. If you are age 18 – 30, why not come and join us. For further information, please visit: www.rcdea.org.uk/youth/, and email dys@rcdea.org.uk, or phone 01508 486236, for booking information.

Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Mass is on Saturday June 1, at 11.30am at Saint John the Baptist's Cathedral, Earlham Road, Norwich, NR2 2PA. Couples who are celebrating special wedding anniversaries this year, please email Dr Antonia mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk for more information.

PRAYER & FASTING FOR LIFE: On Saturday 23rd March, the Vigil of Palm Sunday, please pray and fast for the end of abortion in this country. Through God's grace, we have seen thousands of mothers in our counselling centre continue their pregnancies in very difficult circumstances. Please help us to help save lives with your prayers, fasting and support. For more information, visit www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

IS IT POSSIBLE TO BE PERFECT is a lecture at OLEM at 7pm on Wednesday 1st May 2024 by Fr Fr Gregory Pine OP. Everybody is welcome.

EAST ANGLIA ANTI-SLAVERY GROUP: was formed on the feast of St Bakhita, to help to cut modern slavery. It has grown to about 30 members. Contact john_simong@hotmail.com if you would like to join the group. No previous knowledge or experience required, just a wish to end slavery in our Diocese. All that is needed is a desire for justice, to set the downtrodden free, to be a voice for the voiceless. More information on our diocesan website and our parish Facebook.