

## MASSES AND SERVICES

### 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Third Sunday of Lent

This weekend there will be a second collection for Cathedral Maintenance

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	Mary Patricia Gilby (A&J C)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>10.30am</b>	Betty Perry (JG)
	<b>4pm</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (ending at 4.50pm) + Confessions
	<b>5pm</b>	Stations of the Cross

#### Weekday Services

<b>4.3 Mon</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b> Isobel Eustace RIP (FE)
<b>5.3 Tue</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b> Mass/Communion Service Private Int (CL)
<b>6.3 Wed</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b> Mass/Communion Service Maire Chatton RIP (M&P W)
<b>7.3 Thu</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b> Mass/Communion Service Josephine Concannon RIP (FL)
<b>8.3 Fri</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b> Mass/Communion Service Denis Steele RIP (FL)
<b>9.3 Sat</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b> Mass/Communion Service Eileen Connolly (PM)

### 10<sup>th</sup> March – Fourth Sunday of Lent

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	George & Margaret Wright RIP (T&J T)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	Joe Edwards RIP (PD)
	<b>10.30am</b>	Peter Morgan RIP (D&I M)
	<b>4pm</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (ending at 4.50pm) + Confession
	<b>5pm</b>	Stations of the Cross

**Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am**

**Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am**

**Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass**

#### CHURCH CLEANING

<b>This week</b>	M Wilkes	P Wilkes
<b>Next week</b>	D Morgan	P Hogan

<b>READERS</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	<b>10.30am</b>
<b>This week</b>	B May	J Smith	R Slater
<b>Next week</b>	T Hart	G Seymour	N Ritmeyer

<b>TEA &amp; COFFEE</b>	A & C Kadow	G Seymour	R Slater
<b>Next week</b>		S Chester	C Loughran

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# ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH DORRIDGE

3rd March 2024  
3rd Sunday of Lent Year B

Dear Parishioners,

How is your Lent progressing? It is never too late to start if you haven't managed to begin, nor is it too late to make a fresh start if your Lenten resolution has been more challenging than you thought it would be. Are you free to attend any of the weekday Masses? Come to the Exposition on Sunday afternoons from 4-5pm and Stations of the Cross at 5pm. We also have Confession from 4-4.50 pm.

Here are some of our other dates and times:

Service of Anointing 17<sup>th</sup> March at St Augustine's Church at 4pm.

Palm Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Masses Sat Vigil 5.30pm, Sunday 8.45am and 10.30am. Palms blessed and distributed at each Mass.

The Penitential Service and Confessions for our 3 local churches St Augustine's, Our Lady of the Wayside and our parish will be here: March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm - up to 6 priests in attendance.

Holy Thursday 7pm Mass of Our Lord's Supper. Watching until 10pm.

Good Friday Morning (Time to be announced) : Stations of the Cross for children  
3pm Church Service: Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion  
7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 8pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 8.45am Mass  
10.30am Mass

This year I would like our parishioners to donate Easter eggs for the children who attend our Easter Sunday Masses. The eggs can be left in the sacristy.

I will be on retreat in Walsingham this week.

Every Blessing,  
Fr John

**First Saturdays Devotion:** On 13 July 1917 Our Lady requested "The Communion of reparation [by the Church] on the First Saturdays". Please join Deacon Subhi in the parish hall at St George and St Theresa Church, Dorridge on Saturday 9th March after the 10am Mass for tea and coffee, then at 11am to learn more about this beautiful devotion and how it will help bring about peace in world.

**Solihull Chandos Choir** are holding a concert at Shirley Methodist Church at 3.00 pm on Saturday 23rd March 2014. It is entitled "French Impressions" and includes works by Faure amongst others. Tickets are £15.00 (under 18s free) and are available by phone on 01564 779962 or via the web [solihullchandoschoir.org](http://solihullchandoschoir.org).

**Lent course "Finding a Voice"** Our Parish **Lent Study Course** in five sessions, continues this **Tuesday 7:30pm** in the Conference Room. All Welcome.  
This week : 3. **No short cuts**; 4. The 'No Discouragement Rule'; 5. Faith in our voice!  
Further details contact: [dcn.stephen.saum@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dcn.stephen.saum@rcaob.org.uk)

**Missio co-ordinator required:** We received a lovely letter of thanks from a priest who you sponsored for his training and now serves a parish. Could you help to co-ordinate the promoters? If you wish to speak with Leo (retiring co-ordinator) he is available on 07831 390255.

**Could you spare 1 hour every 5 weeks to help to clean the church?** Please contact Fr J 01564 772098 or contact the Parish Office by email [stgeorge-stteresa.dor-ridge@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stgeorge-stteresa.dor-ridge@rcaob.org.uk)

**Mother's Day** cards (10<sup>th</sup> March) Cards and gifts for your friends and relations, candles, rosettes and badges for **St Patrick's Day** and **Easter Cards**.

**First Communion** for children at non-Catholic schools: 1<sup>st</sup> June 10am.  
(For children in Year 3 or above) These will start on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 11am-12 noon in the Conference Room of the Parish Centre Please register your interest with Isabel Cusack on 07919 685685 or [isabelcusack@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:isabelcusack@yahoo.co.uk)

**ARE YOU. New to the parish or have you changed any of your contact details?**  
Please complete a form for the parish records.

### **Makes me smile!**

I had 9 different dates in 9 days. The first eight were for dinner and the ninth wanted to go for a film. It was dinner, dinner, dinner, dinner, dinner, dinner, dinner, dinner. Batman.

The Egyptians claim there are no crocodiles in their country. I think they are in denial.

Lumberjacking by Tim Burr.

Why can't vegetarians do a comedy stand up? Their jokes are too quorny.

I passed my degree in ballet jokes. I got a 2:2.

I was driving along the road when I saw the sign Max Speed 50. I didn't know who Max Speed is but Happy Birthday anyway.

I said to the waiter, "This coffee tastes like mud." He said, "that's because it was only ground yesterday."

Vampires are not real, unless you count Dracula!

**Offertory: 25.2.24**      Gift Aid Envelopes £262      Loose Plate £283

Average weekly offering via standing order and online banking - £680

Many thanks for your generosity. Mass Attendance last weekend 233

✠ *Please pray for*

**For those who housebound or unwell:** Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Pat McGeever, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove. as well as our parishioners in hospital and nursing homes.

**Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years:** Margaret Smith, Margaretha Yates, Anthony Whitty, Richard Bourke, Isobel Eustace, Pauline Day, Cathie Kennedy. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

**Recently deceased –**

Leon Rafnson RIP. His funeral will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am.

**Parish Centre News.** Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or [oksanazurak@gmail.com](mailto:oksanazurak@gmail.com)**

The Finches:

We are preparing for Easter with singing lessons on the telephone wire. We gather on line and Bobby Blackbird puts us through our paces with a few scales and arpeggios. The dawn chorus this year will begin at 4 O'clock in the morning on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 3.06am (UK Time). Bobby Blackbird is arranging a programme which he says will end with the Lark Ascending – if we find one.

Best tweets from the Finches of Yew Tree, Station Road, Dorridge.

*The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: [sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.*