

**PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART
AND ST.MARGARET MARY, EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK**

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APRIL 8th 2012 : EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday Masses

Saturday 8.30pm Int.The newly Baptized
Sunday 9.0am Int. For the People
11.0am Int. A Special Intention (UCM)

Weekday Masses

Monday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int.
Tuesday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int. +Roger Borthwick (JT)
Wednesday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int.
Thursday EASTER OCTAVE
No services today
Friday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int.
Saturday EASTER OCTAVE
10.30am Int.
6.0pm Int. For the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Noon and 5.30pm, or by appointment.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 10.30am; Benediction at 11.0am.

The Rosary Friday 10.30am

The Divine Office

The Office is said a quarter of an hour before the Mass on Weekdays.

The Mass today

The readings for the 9.0am and 11.0am Masses
can be found on p.251 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.363 of The Sunday Missal.

At the 8.30pm Vigil Mass A Special Leaflet

At the 9.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 1**

Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert
Hymns 267, 279, 283

At the 11.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 1**

Gloria Lourdes
Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert
Hymns 267, 269, (Regina Coeli) 271

The Psalm Response for the 9.0am and 11.0am Masses is printed at the bottom of the page.

In Eastertide, we sing *REGINA COELI* in place of *ANGELUS* :

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, Alleluia!

He whom thou wast meet to bear, Alleluia!

As he promised, hath arisen, Alleluia!

Pour for us to Him thy prayer, Alleluia!

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!

R. For the Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Let us pray.

O God, who by the Resurrection of thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, hast vouchsafed to bring joy to the whole world, grant, we beseech thee, that aided by the prayers of his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we too may come to the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass today ; Next Sunday, Exposition will take place before the 6.0pm Mass.

THIS WEEK

Monday 7.30pm Queen of Peace Prayer

Group, at the Presbytery. Why not come along and join in this time of prayer, silence, and reflection as we rejoice in the resurrection of Our Lord? All are welcome.

Wednesday The Union of Catholic Mothers meets at 2.0pm, in the Narthex.

Saturday Saturday Club is on holiday, today, and next Saturday too. we resume 28th.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries Patrick Mullally (1991), Consuelo Murphy (2011), Ted Clark (2007), Tom Brady (2004), and Colin Nicholson (2006)
May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday, £503.32 was given at the Offertory. A little more money came in for the Lent Lunches/St.Patrick's Supper fund, and we have been able to send off a cheque for £310.31 to CAFOD. Lent Boxes are beginning to trickle back in ; please could you bring in your Lent box by next Sunday, so that we can count and dispatch the proceeds as soon as possible. Today the collection goes to the Parish Priest, as a basic constituent of his annual income.

Roger Borthwick RIP Many many people in the Parish have been shocked and saddened by the news of Roger's sudden death, whilst on holiday in his native Scotland. He was so vibrant, so full of life and vigour, so good-humoured, helpful, and generous, that his leaving us will leave a horrible gap in our Parish life. It is very hard indeed to realize that he won't be in his familiar seat in the organ loft on Sundays, at the 11.0am Mass. He and Kath were devoted to each other, and our thoughts are so much with her at this time of loss and desolation. And with Kathleen, Stephen, and Philip, and with all the other members of his close-knit and popular family. Apparently it is possible that the funeral Mass may take place on Friday, April 20th, but this has not yet been confirmed.

May Caleb RIP Fr. Michael has asked me to tell you that May Caleb's funeral Mass will take place at the Shrine on Monday April 16th, at 2.0pm. Apparently she used to live in Dereham and come to Mass here many years ago, and Fr. thinks that some of the older parishioners may remember her.

World Youth Day 2013 Hamish McQueen, the Diocesan Youth Officer, writes ' The diocese is taking a group (size limited) of over-eighteen year olds to this next World Youth Day. There is an Information Afternoon in the Newmarket Parish Centre on Sunday April 15th, and participants must apply by 1st May 2012. For more information, see the Diocesan Website, or pick up a flyer from the church porch.'

WATER AND LIGHT

One of my chores in church on the afternoon of Maundy Thursday is to empty the Holy Water out of the stoop by the door and out of the vat in the Sacristy ; another is to remove the votive candles from the stand, and to take all other candles from the church , with the exception of the candles on the Altar at which will be used when the Mass of the Lord's Supper is celebrated. Because on Good Friday, when the Lord died on the Cross, and on Holy Saturday, when he rested in the tomb, water and light are absent from the church building. Their absence speaks of the Lord's suffering and death ; darkness comes over the earth, and Jesus says from the Cross 'I thirst'.

And then on Easter Night, in the solemn liturgy of the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (as we now call it), Light and Water return, and are potent symbols of the Resurrection of the Lord. A high point in this liturgy is kindling of the New Fire and the lighting of the Paschal Candle ; another is the solemn blessing of the new Easter Water in the Font. The Candle represents the risen Christ – its flame proclaims his new Easter life – hence we pay it great honour, and indeed kneel towards it as it is carried into church. Whilst the Water, solemnly blessed and sprinkled upon us when we renew our Baptismal Promises, speaks powerfully of the cleansing and renewal which are brought about through it.

This Easter, Mad and Kate are being received into the Church, and Mary and Teegan are being Baptized. We express our Congratulations and good wishes to all of them. At their Baptism, Mary and Teegan will receive the gift of eternal life as the water from the Font is poured out over them. And then they will be handed their Baptismal Candle. Water and Light, expressing the wonderful fact that Christ Our Life is Risen.