

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

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**FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup> 2014 : SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Sunday Masses**

Saturday 6.0pm Int. For the People  
Sunday 9.0am Int.  
11.0am Int. +Sidney & Lillian Carter

p.136 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.708 of  
The Sunday Missal.

**Weekday Masses**

Monday FERIA  
10.0am Int. Geoff & Trish Brocklebank  
Tuesday FERIA  
10.0am Int. +Robert McCarthy  
Wednesday FERIA  
10.0am Int.  
Thursday FERIA  
No services today  
Friday FERIA  
10.0am Int.  
Saturday FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF  
ST.PETER  
10.30am Int. The Holy Father  
6.0pm Int. For the People

<b>At the 6.0pm Mass</b>	<b>Eucharistic Prayer 3</b>
<i>Sanctus &amp; Benedictus</i>	Parish Mass Book p.25
Hymns	( <i>Angelus</i> ) 727, 872
<b>At the 9.0am Mass</b>	<b>Eucharistic Prayer 1</b>
<i>Sanctus &amp; Benedictus</i>	Parish Mass Book p.25
Hymns	601, 683, 802
<b>At the 11.0am Mass</b>	<b>Eucharistic Prayer 2</b>
<i>Gloria</i>	Sacred Heart
<i>Sanctus &amp; Benedictus</i>	Parish Mass Book p.25
Hymns	725, 721, ( <i>Angelus</i> ) 761

The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is  
printed at the bottom of the page. Preface VI

*This Sunday the quarter-hour Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament before Mass will precede the  
9.0am Mass. Next Sunday, it will take place before  
the 11.0am Mass.*

**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. This week we use Psalter  
Week 2

The Mass today The readings can be found on

**THIS WEEK**

**Monday** 7.30pm Queen of Peace Prayer  
Group, at the Presbytery. All welcome.  
**Tuesday** Fr.John conducts a Quiet Morning for  
the Associates of the Swaffham Convent. The  
10.0am Mass will be said by Fr.Anthony Watkins,  
Assistant Priest at the Church of the Assumption,  
Warwick Street, London.  
**Friday** 7.15pm-8.15pm Young Servers  
Club, in the Narthex.  
**Saturday** Saturday Club is on half term holiday.

**PARISH NOTICEBOARD**

**Anniversaries** Joan Bedwell (2009), Robert  
McCarthy (2008), and Grace Chipperfield (1994).  
May they Rest in Peace.

**Money Matters** Last Sunday £533.56 was given at the Offertory. Today there is a retiring collection for the Catholic Education Service.

**Quarterly Mass for the Sick** Elaine Wilkes writes ‘The SVP and UCM invite all parishioners to the next Mass for the Sick and Housebound on Ash Wednesday, March 5th, at 3.0pm, and afterwards to tea and a chat in the Narthex. Anyone needing a lift, please telephone Elaine on 01362. 851159.’

### **THE BISHOP’S PLANS – AND OURS!**

The Bishop has announced that he intends to celebrate Lenten Station Masses this year – one in each of the Deaneries. Our will be on Tuesday, March 11th (the first Tuesday in Lent) at Our Lady’s church in King’s Lynn. Before each of these Masses there will be a one-hour time of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, during which the priests of the Deanery will be available to hear Confessions. After the Mass, a simple Lenten supper of soup and rolls will be served, giving the Bishop an opportunity to meet the people of the Deanery.

I think that this is much to be welcomed, and I do hope that many of you will attend. Nearer the time I will put a notice up about car-sharing. I think that the opportunity to make one’s confession at the beginning of Lent will be especially valuable.

However the date chosen makes a problem for us here on two fronts! The first is that the next Parish Pastoral Council was going to be held on that day. I suggest that we simply bring that meeting forward a week, to Tuesday, March 4th. Please will member of the PPC change the date in their diaries.

The second problem is that I had planned that we would hold the Lent Group to look at the Holy Father’s teaching in his Apostolic Exhortation *THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL* on each of the Tuesdays in Lent (I’d overlooked the pre-arranged PPC date!) Tuesday really is the most convenient date for the Group to meet, and so I suggest that in the first week of Lent, when the Station Mass occurs, we meet on the Wednesday, but then revert to Tuesdays for the following four

meetings. I do hope that these re-arrangements are acceptable.

### **THE LIGHT AND THE DARK**

In the accounts of the terrible flooding which has taken place in various parts of the country, I wonder whether you’ve been struck by the contrast between the people who have been working tirelessly to help those affected by the crisis, and those who have used it as an opportunity for looting? We are full of admiration for those who have come to the help their neighbours in their distress, whilst we are utterly disgusted by those who have sought to profit from it. It almost seems as if these two sets of people, the one motivated by charity, and the other by greed, belong to two different races – such a world of difference is there between their differing reactions to this calamity which has affected so many people

But then when we look into our own hearts we find that there is both light and darkness there. We know that we can be extremely kind to people – that we can show great generosity and understanding. But we know, too, that we can be selfish, mean, and unforgiving. Some people, yes, seem to be predominantly bad, and some to be predominantly good. But all of us are ultimately a mixture of the two. We are, at the same time, both children of the light and children of the darkness. Our human nature is fallen, it has lost its original perfection. We are damaged. And yet much remains in us that is still of God, and this, hopefully in many, is being amplified by grace.

Pray God that when we see examples of goodness, of heroism, of generosity, it will give us an increasing love of the light, and a deeper desire to open our hearts to God’s grace, so that little by little we may emerge totally from the darkness into the fullness of that joy which belongs to the light.

### **OUR NEW CARDINAL**

The Holy Father has recently raised our Metropolitan, the Archbishop of Westminster, to membership the College of Cardinals, a cause of pleasure to all English Catholics. Our bishop has asked that we should all pray for the new Cardinal this weekend, which we will do in the Prayer of the Faithful at each of the Masses.