

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

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APRIL 20th 2014 : EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday Masses

Saturday 9.0pm Int. Anne Hannon
Sunday 9.0am Int. Shirley Lake
11.0am Int. For the People

p.251 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.363 of
The Sunday Missal.

At the 8.0pm Vigil Mass See special leaflet

Weekday Masses

Monday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int. Robin & Janet Taylor
Tuesday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int. +Rosemary Oakes
Wednesday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int. P.Mealy – a Special Intention
Thursday EASTER OCTAVE
No services today
Friday EASTER OCTAVE
10.0am Int. +Mary & Gerald Reeder
Saturday EASTER OCTAVE
10.30am Int.
6.0pm Int. +Tim Salter

At the 9.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 2**
Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert
Hymns 267, 271, 283

At the 11.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 3**
Gloria Sacred Heart
Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert
Hymns 267, 269 (*Regina Coeli*) 268
The Psalm Response for the two morning Masses
is printed at the bottom of the page.

*Next Sunday the quarter-hour Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament will precede the 6.0pm 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 the Psalms are
proper to the Easter Octave.

The Mass today

The readings for Easter morning can be found on

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.*

THIS WEEK

Monday 7.30pm Queen of Peace Prayer
Group, at the Presbytery. All welcome.

Wednesday 7.30pm SVP, at the Presbytery.

Friday 7.15pm Young Servers Club.
We are hoping to do something special, as a thank-you for the faithful altar-serving offered by the group over Holy Week.

Saturday 10.30am-11.30am Saturday Club
1.30pm Parish Walk

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries John Woodhouse (19930, and Theo Sandars (2012). May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday £532.80 was given at the offertory. Today the collection goes to the Parish Priest, as a basic constituent of his annual income.

An Easter offer We have got a number of spare copies of the Diocesan Handbook – full of information and pictures – and these are now available in the Repository at the cut-price of one pound. Do take up the offer!

130 Club March Draw

1st prize	£20	Teresa Fryer
2nd prize	£15	Gerard McCarthy
3rd prize	£10	Kath Borthwick
4th prize	£10	Elaine Wilkes
5th prize	£10	Christopher Sayer

Parish Walking Group Brian Moran writes ‘The Group is planning a rather pleasant walk around Gressenhall and Beetley next Saturday afternoon, April 26th. The route is 4.5miles and is 50% soft going. We will depart the church parking area at 1.15pm, or 1.30pm from Gressenhall museum car park. Lifts will be available. Contact number : 01362.652738.

THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE

The childrens’ event on Good Friday morning was rather wonderful, and for me formed a very special part of our keeping of Holy Week. It was well attended – quite a number of young families were present this year – and the children, who acted out the events of the Passion and Death of Our Lord did so with great reverence and care. It was really very moving.

But one moment, which was quite unplanned,

remains very clear in my mind. The boy who played Jesus, and did so very well, was, after the Crucifixion, taken down from the Cross, and wrapped in a large linen sheet. He was then carried to the Altar steps - which represented the sepulchre - by Joseph of Arimathea, and laid in the ‘tomb’. He remained there motionless for the remaining few minutes of the play, and for the thanks-yous and applause which followed. And then suddenly he sat up, slowly peeled back the sheet, and gave the congregation a radiant smile! It had not been planned – no intimation of the Resurrection had been intended – and yet it seemed to me to be the perfect ending for a childrens’ Passion Play ; it pointed forward to Our Lord’s resurrection, and to the joy of the resurrection, in a wholly appropriate (and charming) way.

In the Gospels, the Resurrection seems to principally elicit surprise, and even unbelief, in the disciples. We don’t, sadly, seem to hear of their joy at this wonderful and oh so significant event. It might, of course, be different if the appearance to Peter, which is mentioned but not described, had been recorded, or that appearance to Mary which we feel must have taken place, even though none of the four evangelists tells us of it directly. Maybe Peter and Our Lady were transfixed by joy at what had happened.

But joy, surely, there must have been. It cannot but have must welled up in the disciples once the initial surprise and uncertainty had been overcome. Because this was the most wonderful thing for them and indeed for the whole of mankind which had ever happened - new life, life conquering death, and made available through the Sacraments to all people.

This is certainly a time of great joy for us. Christ is risen! – and we who are his holy people, joined to him by the Easter Sacrament of Baptism, are given the hope of resurrection. Here is the happy ending for mankind, the prospect of sharing for eternity in the Paschal victory of the Lord. So that we too can peel back the shroud of anxiety and fear which often surrounds us, and filled with the joy of Easter, smile out at our brothers and sisters in Christ, and upon all whom we meet. Let us give way to joy. Let it fill us, and flow out from us. Let this be a truly joyful Eastertide, for the Church and for the world. Christ is Risen!