

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

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**FEBRUARY 24<sup>th</sup> 2013 : SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Sunday Masses**

Saturday 6.0pm Int. For the People  
Sunday 9.0am Int. +Alexandro Eldred  
11.0am Int. Myrna & Philip Kemp  
(20th Wedding Anniversary)

**Weekday Masses**

Monday LENT FERIA  
**9.0am** Int. Patricia Todhunter  
Tuesday LENT FERIA  
10.0am Int. +Freda Wilkes  
Wednesday FERIA  
10.0am Int. +Jolyon Hooley  
Thursday LENT FERIA  
No services today  
Friday FEAST OF ST.DAVID  
10.0am Int. Union of Catholic Mothers  
Saturday LENT FERIA  
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. This week we use Psalter Week 2

**The Mass today**

The readings can be found on p.157 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.212 of The Sunday Missal.

**At the 6.0pm Mass** **Eucharistic Prayer 2**  
*Sanctus & Benedictus* Parish Mass Book p.25  
Hymns (*Angelus*) 770, 874  
**At the 9.0am Mass** **Eucharistic Prayer 3**  
*Sanctus & Benedictus* Parish Mass Book p.25  
Hymns 209, 604, 862  
**At the 11.0am Mass** **Eucharistic Prayer 1**  
*Kyries* 497  
*Sanctus & Benedictus* Parish Mass Book p.25  
Hymns 209, 217, 772, (*Angelus*) 933  
The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is printed at the bottom of the page.

*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.*

**THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT**

TODAY, SUNDAY  
STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
at 5.0pm, followed by  
**VESPERS AND BENEDICTION**

TUESDAY  
LENT GROUP ON  
LUMEN GENTIUM  
at 7.30pm in the Narthex, followed by  
**COMPLINE**

FRIDAY  
LENT LUNCH FOR CAFOD  
12.30pm-2.0pm at the Presbytery

## ALSO THIS WEEK

**Monday** Please note that Mass is at 9.0am today.

10.0am Fr.John speaks at Assembly at the Toftwood Infants School.

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

**Tuesday** 1.30pm Fr.John says a Form Mass at the St.Thomas More School, Norwich.

7.30pm Lent Group on *Lumen Gentium*

**Friday** 10.45am The First Friday SVP Coffee Morning in the Narthex. All welcome.

12.30pm Lent Lunch

7.0pm-8.30pm Confirmation Group at the Presbytery.

**Saturday** 10.30am-11.30am Saturday Club, for young people aged five to twelve.

## PARISH NOTICEBOARD

**Anniversaries** Cecilia Stack (2007), Maria Amaral (2012), and Jolyon Hooley (2010) RIP

**Money Matters** The Lent Lunch last Friday raised £ for CAFOD. Mary Shutt provided delicious minestrone soup. This Sunday there is a retiring collection for CAFOD, following last Friday's Family Fast Day in Lent.

### POPE BENEDICT XVI cont.

It seems so strange to think that this is the last Sunday on which we will pray for 'Benedict our Pope' in the Eucharistic Prayer. But so it is, because the Holy Father's resignation takes effect from next Thursday.

Of course the media has said some very silly things, as it always does. It has speculated that Pope Benedict will, from his place of retirement in the Vatican, try to interfere with the ministry of his successor. Alas, all that the media knows about is power and prestige, and it cannot conceive of someone wishing to retire quietly to pray and to study. But that is what the Holy Father intends to do, and I think that the Church will benefit as greatly from his prayer as it has from his wise and gentle reign.

As we wish the Holy Father farewell from his

high and demanding office as Chief Shepherd of the flock of Christ here on earth, I think that there is much that we will wish to give thanks for. After the extraordinary pontificate of Pope John Paul II, it has perhaps been good to have this quieter and more reflective time – a time when Pope John Paul's work has been both consolidated and continued. And in his own right, Pope Benedict has been one of the great teaching Popes. How wonderful that he has written a three-volume Life of Christ, amongst so much else! His contribution to our understanding of the Faith will long be remembered and celebrated. He will continue to 'feed my sheep' as a successor of Peter for a very long time to come.

Of course in Britain we will long remember Pope Benedict's State Visit in 2010. It was a time of great joy for us – a time of celebration, and a time when the whole country seemed to be aware of what was happening, and ready to listen to the wise and challenging words of this very gracious visitor, whose humility and shy good-humour made such a great appeal. It is easy still to picture him at Holyrood House, at Westminster Hall, and in Westminster Abbey, and of course at Birmingham, where he beatified John Henry Newman. And we remember our celebrations here – such as were held in most parishes; our 'Party for the Pope' on the day of his arrival, our highly-successful Auction of Promises for Charity, and then the series of meetings held to reflect on the teaching which he had given when amongst us.

I'm glad that the Church in England and Wales has produced a special commemorative card, which I will give you when you leave church this morning. Do keep it, and let it remind you of this holy man, who has been a faithful shepherd and a dedicated worker in Christ's vineyard. And let it remind you to pray for him from time to time, now that we will no longer be praying for him daily in the Eucharistic Prayer. We can be sure that he will be praying for us.

**Lent goes on .....** I thought that the Stations, Vespers, and Benediction last Sunday was especially helpful, and wondered why it hadn't struck me to lay it on before! The progression was very satisfactory. Why not come along this Sunday afternoon, after your Sunday snooze?