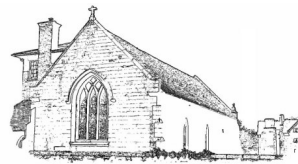


# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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## MASSES THIS WEEK

### Sunday 26 March

8.30am  
10.30am

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments  
*Mass intention for: Ernest Godwin R.I.P.*  
*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

### Monday 27 March

No Public Mass today

### Lent Feria

*Mass intention for: Private Intention*

### Tuesday 28 March

10.00am

### Lent Feria

*Mass intention for: Private Intention*

### Wednesday 29 March

10.00 am  
10.30 am

### Lent Feria

*Mass Intention for: Dan Brown R.I.P.*  
*#Discussion Group in the stable*

### Thursday 30 March

11.00am

### Lent Feria

*Mass Intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P.*

### Friday 31 March

11.00am

### Lent Feria

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

### Saturday 1 April

10.00am

### Lent Feria

*Mass Intention for: Deceased members of the Pakes & Taylor families*

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.

### Sunday 2 April

8.30am  
10.30am

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments  
*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*  
*Mass intention for: Gerard O'Shea R.I.P.*



"Where two or three  
come together in my  
name, there I am  
with them."  
Matt 18:20

# **The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets** may be downloaded from: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm> (click on The Parish Version) used at the **GROUP DISCUSSION** on **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**. The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a coffee and an exchange of ideas!

**Anniversaries in March:** Rev John Marsden (1824), Ann Parkes (1863), Joseph Chare (1865), Rev John Brownlow (1888), Philip Alfred Haskew (1897), William Benedick Oakley (1908), Henry Mercer (1974), Anna Newton Keenan (1992), Ernest Godwin (1993), Ann Kiley (2004), Martin Amphlett (2013) Geraldine Pritchard (2017), Aubrey Campbell (2018), Tom Wilcox (2018), Anthony Francis-Flores (2018), Vincent Glynn (2019), Michael Bianco (2019), Tony Davenhill (2022), Jane Young (2022)

**In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers:** Deirdre Brookes, Beth Downing, Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, Pamela Mortiboy, John & Ellen Mottram, Patricia Newton, Ann Parry, Bridget Rochford, Karen Wright.

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In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Weston** who died on Wednesday 22nd March

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 For names to be written in this newsletter and for reasons of personal privacy, requests for those in need of our prayers including for those who are unwell we must be sure that the individual, or their representative, gives permission. Written consent forms may be found **in the yellow folder on the notice board in the porch**. When complete either hand it to Fr John, post through his front door or send by mail.

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 ... for all your offerings and donations.



**Contributions to the Parish: 12-19 March**

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: .....	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes: .....	£122.00
Loose cash: .....	£235.10

**Direct Debit, gift aid forms** are available from the table in the porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.

**OFFERTORY DONATIONS** on **SUNDAYS** will be taken in the pews. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar**.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH.**

If you should wish to make a donation when Mass is not taking place and the church is otherwise empty, please post your offering (in an envelope) in the letterbox in the door of the Priest's House.



**COVID PRECAUTIONS:** If members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a 'Please Leave Space' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.

**PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:**

Valerie Nolan, [sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk)

If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0800 800 5000.

**PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:** Peter Boszko, [hs.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:hs.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk)

**EMERGENCY EXIT from the church:** is via the sacristy and through the house.



Our collection for the local **FOOD BANK** takes place this weekend and will be delivered on your behalf to the Food Bank collection point in Kidderminster on **Monday 27 March**. If you would prefer to donate money this will also be delivered on your behalf directly to the collection point. Please put cash or cheques (made payable to 'The Kidderminster Foodbank') in an envelope marked '**KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK**' and put it in the Offertory collection at Mass or, at other times, post through the letter box in the door of the Priest's House.

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**REDDITCH CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY GROUP Meeting 15th April at The Parish Centre, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, Beoley Road West, REDDITCH, B98 8LT**

A rare and golden opportunity to see the Sacred Icon of OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, and be guided in prayer by the Iconographer Rosie Bradshaw, followed by an opportunity to share any thoughts and inspirations, plus time for Q&A.. The meeting will begin with refreshments at 11.00am, and the prayer will begin around 11.30am. Each attendee will receive an A5 print of the Icon, and will be invited to sign the witness book. You are also most welcome to join the Lay Carmelites for a shared lunch. (Please bring a little something for the shared table). There is no charge but donations will be accepted. For further information please contact Susan Porter by email on [ingeva@btinternet.com](mailto:ingeva@btinternet.com)

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**YOU ARE INVITED!** Its not every parish that has its own stable. We use ours here at Harvington for all sorts of small gatherings such as The Discussion Group each Wednesday, the Book Group every month and the Children's Liturgy Group during 10.30 Mass on Sundays.

**Each Sunday, everyone is invited to the stable after both Masses to meet old and new friends along with a mug of coffee or tea a biscuit (or more!) Please, don't be shy. Do join in!**

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The Harvington **CRAFT GROUP** are meeting at Rowberry's, Chaddesley Corbett on **Wednesday 29 March at 1.30pm**. You are warmly invited to come along for a coffee, a chat and a relaxing afternoon. If you want to, you are very welcome to join in with the Group as they continue to make tapestry cushions for the church pews.



## **SERVICES AT ST MARY'S FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2023**

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY 6th April**

**7.00pm** Mass of the Last Supper: Procession, Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

### **GOOD FRIDAY 7th April**

**3.00pm** The Liturgy: Reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

### **HOLY SATURDAY 8th April**

**7.00pm** Vigil of Easter: Blessing of the Fire, Paschal Candle and Font, followed by First Mass of Easter

### **EASTER DAY 9th APRIL**

**8.30 am** Mass  
**10.30 am** Sung Mass



#### **EASTER OFFERINGS to Fr John.**

Labelled envelopes are available from the table in the porch should you wish to make an offering during the Easter Season. They may be placed either with the collections taken in church or given directly to Fr John.