

HYMNS for Sunday — 15/03/20 (Play List 158)

Entrance: God of mercy and compassion
Offertory:

Communion: I am the bread of life
Our Lady's Anthem: Ave, Regina Caelorum
Recessional: Vaster far than any ocean

CALLING CATHOLIC TEACHERS

If you are a Catholic teacher currently working outside of Catholic education and would like to find out more about the joys of working in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Nottingham an information session will take place at **St Peter & St Paul Catholic Voluntary Academy in Lincoln (LN6 7SX)** on **Thursday 23 April** from 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Please see the poster on the parish notice board. For further information, please contact: Tamer Hodgson (tamer.hodgson@stl-cmat.org.uk) or contact Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan Education Service (julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk).

Mass Intentions: One of the great gifts we can give to someone is to have a Mass offered for their intention or for the repose of their soul. To request a Mass please use the envelopes which can be found at the back of the church.

Fr Liam in line with advice from Public Health England and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Fr Liam continues to self-isolate following his return from Italy. He has not displayed any symptoms of Coronavirus. Nevertheless, Fr Liam will not be celebrating any of the Sacraments until end of the 14-day period of isolation. Please do keep in your prayers all who are suffering from this virus, for their families and communities.

Canon Geoffrey

Parish Finances:- 08/03/20

Thank you for your offerings.

Weekly Envelopes : £ 84.20
Standing Orders : £ 140.77
Loose Plate : £ 101.80
Quota Envelopes : £ 35.00
Quota Loose Plate : £
" Standing Orders : £ 8.31
Bulletins : £ 11.11
Miscellaneous:
(Hall rent, candles) : £

Total : £ 381.19

CAFOD Collection : £ 242.95

Tea & coffee after Mass in the church hall. Please do come along and get to know another parishioner!



FOODBANK:
Now collecting for our Easter contribution to the Epworth Food Bank.

Pope Francis' Tweet of the Week: The Lord tells us not only to carry out works of charity, to pray, and to fast, but also to do these without pretence, duplicity, and hypocrisy.

Articles for inclusion in the Newsletter by **Wednesday midday** please. Either ring Jane on 01724 711434 or email: jane.sarsfield@talk21.com

ROTAS:-**READERS**

15/03: Krystyna Taylor
22/03: Karen Penston
Co-ordinator: Jane - 01724711434

COUNTERS

15/03: Karen Penston & Hilda Sarsfield
22/03: Sheila & David Eade
Co-ordinator: Maureen - 01724710610

TEA & COFFEE

15/03: Kate Ogle & Margaret Bassindale
22/03: Bill & Pat Flanagan
Co-ordinator: Kate - 01724711572

CHILDREN'S LITURGY -

Margaret Daniels & Louise Wenn

CHURCH CLEANING -

16/03: Krystyna Taylor & Karen Penston
30/03: Helen Mellers & Siobhan Worthing
Co-ordinator: Pauline - 01724489517

CHURCH HALL:

Bookings: Bill Flanagan-01427874557
Keys: Ray & Margaret Bassindale

Cleaning: Hall and Liturgy Room
Margaret Daniels & Barbara Purslow

Hospital:

If you wish to receive a visit from a priest while in hospital, or know someone who wishes to receive a visit, you must explicitly request this by ringing **01724844895**. The clergy do not have access to patient lists produced by the hospital

If you are housebound, unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive Holy Communion please contact
Canon Geoffrey
on 01724 844895
to arrange a visit.

Please remember in your prayers all those in our parish who are sick or housebound, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



St Norbert's Parish Church. 20p

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PARISH NEWSLETTER No: 16 - 2019/2020 (Sunday Year: A, Weekday: Year 2)**MASS TIMETABLE**

Date	Day	Time	Liturgical Celebration	Mass Intention
15th Mar	Sunday	9.00am	3rd Sunday of Lent A	Fr. John Cahill's birthday Intention Pauline & Jeff
16th Mar	Monday		Lenten Feria	
17th Mar	Tuesday	9.30am 10.00am	Stations of the Cross St. Patrick (Feast)	November Dead List
18th Mar	Wed'day		Lenten Feria	
19th Mar	Thur'day		St. Joseph (Solemnity)	
20th Mar	Friday		Lenten Feria	2.30pm Class 2 led Worship
21st Mar	Saturday		Lenten Feria	
22nd Mar	Sunday	9.00am	4th Sunday of Lent A - Laetare Sunday	Private Intention

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday's at 9.30am.

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph

Today Bishop Patrick will be celebrating our Mass. We welcome him to our newly restored church.

Friday: Class 2 -- led Worship, Doors open 2.20pm for 2.30pm. All are welcome

DIARY OF EVENTS - AT A GLANCE: 2019:

19th Mar - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
20th Mar - Class-led Worship, Doors open 2.20pm for 2.30pm
24th Mar - Deanery Station Mass, Corpus Christi, Cleethorpes
27th Mar - Class-led Worship, Doors open 2.20pm for 2.30pm
29th Mar - British Summer Time (clocks go forward 1hr.)
31st Mar - Deanery Station Mass, Gainsborough

1st Apr - Isle Community Choir Concert, 7.00pm. Tickets £5
5th Apr - Palm Sunday

This year's **Lenten Walk with Me Booklet (£1)** is available at the back of Church. The booklet has been prepared with great care to help us make the most of this precious season.

Cycle of Prayer during Lent we pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; the Needy and the Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers



3rd Sunday of Lent - (A)

First Reading:

Give us water to drink.

Exodus 17:3-7

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. Why did you bring us out of Egypt? they said. Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle? Moses appealed to the Lord. How am I to deal with this people? he said. A little more and they will stone me! The Lord said to Moses, Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink. This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, Is the Lord with us, or not?

The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

Response to the Psalm:

O that today you would listen to his voice:
'Harden not your hearts.'

Second Reading:

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

Romans 5:1-2.5-8

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!
Lord, you are really the saviour of the world;
give me living water, so that I may never get thirsty.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Gospel Reading:

A spring of water welling up to eternal life.

John 4:5-42

>Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' - Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied: 'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water. 'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied: 'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again: but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.'

'Sir,' said the woman, 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water.'
<'Go and call your husband' said Jesus to her 'and come back here.' The woman answered, 'I have no husband.' He said to her, 'You are right to say, "I have no husband"; for although you have had five, the one you have now is not your husband. You spoke the truth there.' > 'I see you are a prophet, sir' said the woman. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come - in fact it is here already—when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is

spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.'

The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah - that is, Christ - is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.' <

At this point his disciples returned, and were surprised to find him speaking to a woman, though none of them asked, 'What do you want from her?' or, 'Why are you talking to her?' The woman put down her water jar and hurried back to the town to tell the people, 'Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did; I wonder if he is the Christ?' This brought people out of the town and they started walking towards him. Meanwhile, the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, do have something to eat'; but he said, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples asked one another, 'Has someone been bringing him food?' But Jesus said: 'My food is to do the will of the one who sent me, and to complete his work. Have you not got a saying: Four months and then the harvest? Well, I tell you: Look around you, look at the fields; already they are white, ready for harvest! Already the reaper is being paid his wages, already he is bringing in the grain for eternal life, and thus sower and reaper rejoice together. or here the proverb holds good: one sows, another reaps; I sent you to reap a harvest you had not worked for. Others worked for it; and you have come into the rewards of their trouble.'

>Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done', so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.' <

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon:

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord,
the water I shall give will become in him
a spring welling up to eternal life.

Deanery Station Masses and Reconciliation Services 2020 :

Tuesday 24th March at Corpus Christi, Cleethorpes

Monday 30th March Deanery Penitential Service at Corpus Christi, Cleethorpes at 7.00pm

Tuesday 31st March at St Thomas of Canterbury Gainsborough—Stations of the Cross at 6.15pm.
Mass at 7.00pm

Parish Mission Prayer.

Holy Father, great God of love and mercy,
*You have surrendered everything for love of us.
May we learn to surrender everything for love of You. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit that we may do Your will and not our own. Help us to love you above all things and to love Your people the way You have commanded us. Quiet our minds and hearts that we may be open to the gift of your truth, and grant that our Parish Mission may be:*
*a time of Grace for all,
a time of growth for the young,
a time of refreshment for the old,
a time of renewal for families,
a time of healing for the broken,
a time of joy for the sorrowing,
a time of challenge for the complacent,
a time of forgiveness for the sinner,
a time of strength for the holy,
a time of homecoming for all who have been away.*

We beg you these things, Holy Father, in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Canon's Comments:

In this lively dialogue Jesus almost seems to be teasing the Samaritan woman, deliberately leading her into misunderstanding about what he means by living water or about the conditions of worship. Nothing daunted, she gives as good as she gets, replying with a cheeky series of sarcastic questions, gradually edging nearer to the truth: an open-minded Jew - greater than our father Jacob - a prophet - and finally acknowledging him as the Messiah. With its serious message it is a lovely example of Jesus' willingness to engage with people as they are, and of his openness with women. On these last three Sundays in Cycle A, the Church lays before us the three great symbols of the baptisms which will be celebrated at Easter. This concerns not only those who will be baptised at the Easter Vigil, but all those who are invited to renew our baptismal promise and commitment at Easter. Then we enter afresh into the living and nourishing water of God's love which surpasses any food or drink, into the light which enlightens the blind (the Cure of the Man Born Blind) and true life (the Raising of Lazarus). (HW)

Canon Geoffrey