

*The Memorare to St Joseph*

*Remember, most chaste Spouse  
Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin,  
that never was it known  
that anyone implored thy help  
or sought thine intercession  
without being consoled.*



*In this confidence,  
I fly unto thee,  
and beg thy protection.  
Despise not,  
O foster-father of the Redeemer,  
my humble supplication,  
but in thy goodness  
hear and answer me. Amen.*

*Services for the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent (OF, EF) -  
18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023*

*March – The Month of St Joseph*

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**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March, *The Vigil of Sunday***

Confessions, 5.15 – 5.45 pm  
Holy Mass, 6.00 pm

Canon Gary Byrne RIP

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**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March, *The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (OF, EF) - Lactare Sunday (OF, EF)***

Holy Mass, 8.00 am  
Sung Mass, 10.30 am  
Holy Mass, 12.00 noon (Extraord. Form)  
**Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 5 pm**

Carol Siddle's intentions  
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The People of the Parish

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**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March, *The Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of Our Lady & Patron of the Universal Church (OF, EF)***

Holy Mass, 9.30 am  
Holy Mass (transferred feast of St Joseph), 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)  
**Confessions, 8 pm (visiting priest)**

Ann Walsh RIP  
Charles Pinsent RIP & Fr Andrew

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**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March, *Lenten Feria (OF) - St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe (EF)***

Holy Mass, 9.30 am

Josephine de Goris RIP

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**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, *Lenten Feria (OF, EF)***

Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)

Hannah Chegwyn

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**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, *St Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop (OF) - Lenten Feria (EF)***

Holy Mass, 9.30 am  
Holy Hour & **Confessions, 4.00 – 5.00 pm**, Benediction, 5 pm

Clare Thomas

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**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March, *Lenten Feria (OF) - St Gabriel the Archangel (EF)***

Holy Mass, 9.30 am, **followed by Stations of the Cross**  
Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)

Catherine Rolfe  
John Killilia RIP

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**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, *The Solemnity of the Annunciation – Lady Day (OF, EF)***

Holy Mass, 9.30 am  
Sung Mass, 10.30am (Extraord. Form)  
Followed by Consecration to Our Lady  
**Holy Hour & Confessions cancelled today only**

George Wignall  
Robert Schad RIP

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**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, *The Vigil of Sunday***

**Confessions, 5.15 – 5.45 pm**  
Holy Mass, 6.00 pm

The People of the Parish

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**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March, *The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (OF) - Passion Sunday (EF)***

Holy Mass, 8.00 am  
Sung Mass, 10.30 am  
**Stations of the Cross & Benediction, 5 pm**

Anna Faure  
Linda Zoumaya

*Father John writes:*

***This Sunday: Stations of the Cross – Lenten Devotions***

Through the traditional Stations of St Alphonsus Liguori, we are moved to take up our cross for the love of Jesus Crucified. **Please join us at 5 pm this Sunday and next Sunday for these devotions and offer them up for peace in Ukraine and for those suffering as a result of the earthquake.** There will also be Stations each Friday of Lent the 9.30 am Mass.

***This Thursday: Lenten reading group***

At 7.30 pm this Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, Fr Jack will lead the second meeting of the reading group studying the third volume of Joseph Ratzinger/Pope Benedict's trilogy, *Jesus of Nazareth*. Copies of the relevant pages of the book (this week the chapter on the Crucifixion) will be available in the narthex for those signed up for the group.

***This Friday: National Day of Prayer & Fasting for Life***

The Good Counsel Network (GCN) are encouraging us to pray and fast for one day for the end of abortion and euthanasia. The day they have chosen is, most appropriately, the eve of the Annunciation of Our Lady, the great feast of the first moment of the Incarnation of God the Son in His Virgin Mother's womb. GCN make some good suggestions about what fasting might mean: if not fasting from all food except bread and water, then fasting (abstaining) from some particular food or luxury (e.g. chocolate, alcohol, TV – and, I suggest, **the Internet**). More information can be obtained from GCN on 0207 723 1740. ***Mary, Mother of Life, protect human life from the first moment of conception to the last moment of natural death!***

***This coming Saturday: The Annunciation***

This coming Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Sung Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Traditional Latin) at 10.30 am, followed by the reciting of St Louis-Marie Grignion de Monfort's formula of Consecration to Our Lady. If you have made the Consecration in the past, I'd encourage you to renew it by attending this Mass. After the Mass I shall read out the formula of consecration on behalf of all.

***It's the fourth week of Lent:  
Time for Confession!***

***Pro-life intention for this Sunday (Right to Life UK)***

As we reach the midpoint of Lent, today, and as we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph tomorrow, let us pray for all fathers, that through their example they may demonstrate the loving provision and compassion of Almighty God to their children.

***Advance Notice:***

**Palm Sunday**, Mass times as usual

**Maundy Thursday**, 8.00 pm

**Good Friday**, 3.00 pm

**Easter Vigil**, 8.00 pm

**Easter Sunday**, Mass times as usual

***Advance Notice for next weekend:***

The clocks 'spring' forward at 1.00 am on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March!

***Enjoy the Warmth!***

The new boiler has now been installed. We've also been carrying out essential refurbishment of one of the bathrooms in the Presbytery. **These are expensive projects, so any donations you might like to make to cover the costs of these improvements to the infrastructure would be greatly appreciated:**

- Church boiler - £6,000
- Presbytery bathroom – up to £5,000

**I appreciate that these very practical projects are unlikely to capture your imagination, but they are vitally necessary for the maintenance of our church and Presbytery for future generations of priests and parishioners.**

***Retreat Day for Catholic Mothers***

Catholic Mothers Oxford is holding a retreat day for mothers at St Gregory's on Easter Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> April. Join them for Mass, Confessions, adoration, talks, prayer, and a chance to meet other Mums over a bring-and-share lunch. Toys and play mats will be provided for breastfed babies. To reserve a place please contact Laura at [catholicmothersoxford@gmail.com](mailto:catholicmothersoxford@gmail.com)

***Food Larder donations***

Don't forget – just a couple of items are gratefully received. In addition to the basics such as pasta/tinned tomatoes/rice/cereal etc., you might like to give ingredients to add variety – pesto/jar of olives/honey, mayonnaise (in jars). Toiletries are also welcome. Items are delivered to the larder each Wednesday

***Collection Envelopes 2023-2024***

The boxes of collection envelopes for the new financial year are in the Narthex.

***Please pray for the sick and housebound***

Anne-Marie, Jackie Ball, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Jane Brownson, Ela Bulewicz, Fr Paul Chavasse CO, Paul Conway, Filomeno Cota, Maureen Dalton, Carmen Dashwood-Evans, Nicky de Bono, Julian Foord, Joyann Green, Sr. Joseph Andrew OP, Eugénie Kanza, Jill Kelly, Emily Long, Elsie Maria Michaud, Mohammad & Jane Masri, Anne Morris, Alice Murphy, Jill Pinnock, Fr Andrew Pinsent, Joy Smith, Fr Frank Sofie, Malcolm Spicer, Matthew Spicer, and Oscar Williams.

***Please pray for the faithful departed***

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially for Martin Graham, Eileen Hutchings, and Anthony Meade, who have anniversaries at this time.

**+ Requiem aeternam dona eis,  
Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.**

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