

# St John the Evangelist

# 2nd Sunday of Lent

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13 March 2022 (Year C)

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## Mass Times this Week:

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| Saturday 12  | Feria   |
| 8:45am       | Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast at the New Inn/Morning Coffee |
| 5:45pm       | Mass: <i>Ukraine</i>                                      |
| Sunday 13    | 2nd Sunday of Lent  |
| 10:00am      | Mass: <i>Mary Melling RIP</i>                             |
| Monday 14    | Feria   |
| Tuesday 15   | Feria   |
| Wednesday 16 | Feria   |
| Thursday 17  | St Patrick, Bishop  |
| Friday 18    | St Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop & doctor                    |
| 12:00        | Stations of the Cross                                     |
| Saturday 19  | St Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary             |
| 5:45pm       | Mass: <i>Parish</i>                                       |
| Sunday 20    | 3rd Sunday of Lent  |
| 10:00am      | Mass: <i>David Peter Harmer RIP</i>                       |

## Fr James away

Fr James is having a holiday for a few weeks. Ampleforth Abbey will continue to provide cover as much as possible. During this period, the church will be open in the mornings, where feasible.

## PRAY FOR UKRAINE

Many of you will have heard Fr Wulstan and Fr Hugh mention Pope Francis' appeal for prayers for the suffering people of Ukraine. The Pope called for a special day of prayer and fasting on Ash Wednesday for the whole nation – President Zelenskyy, the government and all the leaders, political and military, of that country.

From the earliest times of the Church, the saints have spoken of the three “pillars” of our Faith: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Now we are being called to take these as seriously as we can. In his appeal, the Holy Father wrote: “I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on (Ash Wednesday). May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.” Let us make this Lent a time of prayer and fasting, with perhaps more seriousness than in any other previous year, and let us also remember the third “pillar” – almsgiving:

CAFOD has now set up an appeal for Catholics to do their utmost to come to the aid of their brothers and sisters who are suffering the most appalling anguish. Please help them. If you would like to donate you can find more information on : <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>

Our own bishop has encouraged everyone in the diocese to be as generous as possible, so let us all respond with an open heart, and pray constantly to Our Lady, Queen of Peace for all her beloved Ukrainian children.

## Thought for the Week

*Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything.*  
St. Catherine of Siena

## **Prayer to St Michael**

Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

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## **Mass Times for Holy Week 2022**

*Please note the Bishops have stated that the Easter Vigil should not begin before 9pm.*

### **Maundy Thursday 14 April**

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

### **Good Friday 15 April**

3:00pm Good Friday Liturgy

### **Holy Saturday 16 April**

9:00pm Mass of the Easter Vigil

### **Easter Sunday 17 April**

10:00am Sung Mass of Easter

## **National Novena to St Joseph: 10 -18 March 2022, St Joseph's Church, Maidenhead**

Every year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on the Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you are able, and if it is possible to attend, weekday Masses are at 7:30pm, Saturday at 10am, Sunday at 11am.

If you are unable to attend but would like to join in from home, Masses from St Joseph's Church will be available to follow on Zoom, via the Mill Hill Website: [www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena](http://www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena). You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena prayer booklet, via 01628 676909 or [novenamhm@gmail.com](mailto:novenamhm@gmail.com)

## **Lent Reading**

- My Day by Day: We have ordered some of these which we have used in the past. Hopefully we should have them by the weekend, available for £1.
- Bible Alive: There are a few sample copies of the lent edition of this book of daily reflections. Feel free to take one and see if it is something to which you would like to subscribe.

## **Parish Group Contacts**

- SVP: Pauline Willcox 823675
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## **Removal of COVID Restrictions**

*We are urged to exercise common sense and sympathy for the needs of others, so please read the following guidance carefully and in the spirit of Charity.*

- No one is now obliged to wear a mask for Mass or for any other service or function on our premises.
- "Social Distancing" is now no longer required.
- We do intend to restore the Offertory Procession and the circulation of the collection plate. Given our own particular circumstances, however, it is difficult to do this now, so please wait for further advice.
- In order to prevent anxiety unwittingly caused, particularly to those members of our congregation who may still be very vulnerable, we will NOT at the moment be restoring the Chalice at Holy Communion, nor will the Sign of Peace be re-instated.

*In church, therefore, as in our day-to-day lives, let us be thankful that we are once again so much freer, but let us also be sensitive to the needs of those who cannot yet feel secure with regard to this virus.*

## **Upcoming Events**

### **April**

- Sun 3 4:00pm Passiontide Choral Evensong at Parish Church.
- Mon 25 11:30am SVP Mass (in honour of Mary Melling, RIP) followed by lunch in the Hall

### **SVP Lunch - 25 April**

- There is a sign up sheet in the porch for anyone who would like to attend.
- If anyone would be able to make a shepherd's pie, or a cake for this event; or donate a raffle prize, it would be much appreciated. Also kitchen helpers on the day! Please note on the sheet.

### **Offertory Collections and Charities: Thank you for your offerings**

- Last Sunday's collection raised £264.00. Thank you very much.
- Easyfundraising: This quarter we received a payment of £167.94 which is a fabulous amount, so thank you all those who are choosing to do their online shopping via the easyfundraising portal. That is a tremendous sum when you consider we get a very small percentage of each transaction, so please do bear in mind how much it adds up for us if you don't already do this. Let Kathryn know if you would like more information

### **Food Banks**

- The next Middlesbrough delivery will be Sunday 3 April. Easter Eggs and treats very welcome.
- Do please remember that we also collect for the Easingwold Food Bank, which helps a large number of families even in our own "prosperous" town and surrounding area.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

*the Infirm and Housebound:* Rita Ashbridge, David Craig, Paul Gallagher and Gerry Kelly;

*the Sick:* Jenny Cook, Simon Cunniffe, Marcin Ellingham, Barbara Fox, Brian Harrison, Marta Hatfield, Sarah Hodgkinson, Darren Kennedy, baby Malachi James Mtui, Krystyna Najgrodzka, Vincent O'Donnell, Teresa Catherine Powers, Val Ross, Catherine Scrope, Tilly (Middlesbrough) and Anne Waggott;

*those who have died recently:* Edna Mary Chapman, Tess Heenan, Claire Robinson and Teri Mary Wong; *and those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:* John Brett, Cyril Flood Craven, Beth Slocombe, Dorothy Ann Cundall, Peter Meadowcroft, Martin John Mulderrig, and Mary Ann Wootten.

### **Rotas: More help is needed, please speak to Kathryn if you think you can help**

| Day          | Steward(s)         | Reader           | Coffee                    | Flowers      |
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| Sat 12 March | Peter Newbery      | Michael Fram     |                           |              |
| Sun 13 March | Kathryn for Lizzie | Susan Harrand    | Sheila W and Teresa       | None in Lent |
| Sat 19 March | David Embleton     | Deborah Evans    |                           |              |
| Sun 20 March | Teresa             | Eugenie Fomekong | Barbara and Ken Wilkinson | None in Lent |