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LAETARE
SUSCRIBERE
MEM

3rd April 2011, 4th Sunday in Lent Laetare Sunday (A) psalter IV

9.30 am Family Mass Janetta Hamerton Fraser RIP
11.30am Sung Mass Denis Sumner RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish

Stations of the Cross & Benediction 4pm

Mon 4 th April	Lenten Feria
7.00am	Brigitta Ezechiel (Foundation Mass)
10.00am	Requiem Mass for Anne Thomas RIP
Tue 5 th April	Lenten Feria
10.00am	Sylvia Dainty RIP
Wed 6 th April	Lenten Feria
10.00am	Stan Conley RIP
Thu 7 th April	Lenten Feria
10.00am	Requiem Mass for Ann Roberts RIP
Fri 8 th April	Lenten Feria
09.00am	Kitty Fox
Sat 9 th April	Lenten Feria
10.00am	John Drainey Intention's

LENT
MASS

10th April 2011, 5th Sunday in Lent (A) psalter I

9.30 am Family Mass The People of the Parish
11.30am Sung Mass Kelly Dalglish RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass Kevin Elliott

Stations of the Cross & Benediction 4pm

LENT
STATIONS

The Restoration of our Stained Glass Windows is in memory of Fr. Dominic O' Sullivan, a much loved Parish Priest.

Amount needed £50,000

Please consider sponsoring a panel for £20.00, which can be dedicated for a special intention, anniversary or in thanksgiving.

Amount raised £34,333.85

Confessions Sundays

9.00am - 9.20am
11.00am - 11.20am
4.30pm - 4.50pm

Saturdays

10.30am - 11.00am

Thursday

10.40am - 11.45am
(when there is exposition)

Thank you for Last Sunday's Collection:

£710.47 loose + £201.60 Gift Aid = £912.07

If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to burn night and day before the Blessed Sacrament either for yourself, a loved one or for a special intention, please contact: The Parish Office or a sacristan.
Recommended donation £5.00

The Sanctuary Lamps this week are burning for Kathleen Lombardie RIP and Mary Rice



Weekly Parish Diary

Monday

7.00am Mass
7.30am Lent Breakfast Hall
9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
7.30pm Choir Practice Church

Tuesday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass

Wednesday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
10.30am Church Cleaning

Thursday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
No exposition today
10.40am Rosary
10.40am Confessions
12 noon Benediction
5.15pm Confirmation, Alexander House
7.30pm RCIA, Library

Friday

8.40am Rosary
9.00am Mass
7.30pm Stations of the Cross
8.00pm Exposition
8.05pm Confessions
8.30pm Benediction

Saturday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
No 1st Communion or Exposition

Sunday

9.00am Confessions
9.30am Mass
Children's Liturgy during
9.30am Mass in the Library
11.00am Confessions
11.30am Mass
Tea & Coffee Alexander House
after 9.30am & 11.30am Mass
12.30pm Baptisms
4.00pm Stations of the Cross
& Benediction
4.30pm Confessions
5.00pm Mass

Please support our Lenten Project in aid of Depaul UK working with homeless young people throughout the country.

BREAKFAST AFTER MASS IN LENT



Following the 7am Mass on Monday mornings in Lent, we shall be hosting a Continental Breakfast in Alexander House. All Donations go towards the Lenten Project .

CAN YOU SING? CHOIR PRACTICES FOR EASTER

There will be Choir Practices in the Church on Monday nights from 7.30pm – 8.30pm to prepare for Easter. If you would like to join us – and can sing in tune! Please contact Marguerite 07909 564 634
Please refer to the bulletin each week.

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR



On Saturday the 16 April 7.30 pm in Alexander House we will be showing the film of the famous musical Jesus Christ Superstar, the evening includes a supper with wine & soft drinks. Suggested donation - £10 per adult; £5 for under 16s; £20 for family of 2 adults and 2 children.

Tim Rice & Andrew Lloyd Webber's Rock Opera of Our Lord's Passion was filmed on location in Israel. We are screening it on the eve of Palm Sunday so it would make a very appropriate introduction to Holy Week. The film runs for approximately 1 hour 20 minutes and is a PG.

All proceeds to the Lenten Project

There will be a 2nd collection today for Easter Flowers. Please be as generous as you can.



ACTIVE KINGSTON'S WHOLE FOODS MARKET BREAKFAST RUN. IN AID OF OUR LENTEN PROJECT

Thank you all those who supported Declan Dixon who took part in the run. £100 was raised for our Lenten Project.

THE GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN ALTAR BOY'S RALLY 2011



The 34th annual rally will take place at Aylesford Priory in Kent on the May Day Bank Holiday, Monday the 2nd May. The day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop John Hine at 11.30am. All servers and their families are welcome to attend.

OF YOUR CHARITY

PLEASE PRAY FOR REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Anne Thomas whose Requiem Mass will be on Monday 4th April

Ann Roberts whose Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 7th April

May they Rest in Peace

LAETARE SUNDAY

Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday in Lent derives its Latin name from the first word of the Mass text, "Laetare Jerusalem" (Rejoice, O Jerusalem). It is a day of joy within this penitential season. The priest wears a rose-coloured vestment instead of purple. The reason for this is explained in a sermon by Pope Innocent III in 1216

"On this Sunday, which marks the middle of Lent, a measure of

relaxation is provided, so that the faithful may not break down under the severe strain of Lenten fast but may continue to bear the restrictions with a refreshed and easier heart."

As a symbol of this joy the popes used to carry a golden rose in their right hand when returning from the celebration of Mass. Pope Leo IX called this custom an "ancient institution." Originally it was a single rose of natural size, but since the fifteenth century it has consisted of a cluster or branch of roses wrought of pure gold and set with precious stones in brilliant workmanship by famous artists. The popes bless it every year, and often they confer it upon churches, shrines, cities, or distinguished persons as a token of esteem and paternal affection. The meaning and symbolism of the golden rose is expressed in the prayer of blessing. It represents Christ in the shining splendor of His majesty, the "flower sprung from the root of Jesse." From this custom Laetare Sunday also acquired the name, 'Sunday of the Rose'.

Today is also Mothering Sunday, a day when we especially honour our mothers. Lets us say a special prayer for them today to thank God for all they do for us.

PARISH COUNCIL

Having consulted the parish and there being no objections I have now appointed the following as parish councillors: Ann Claude Mills, Sandra Coombs, Joe Bryan, Tom Morrell Michael Pearce, Subash De Menezes, Mark Hunter, Catherine Morrell, Dinah Gardiner, Dympna De Menezes.

I am delighted to announce that I have appointed Tom Morrell as Chair of the Parish Council. Parish councillors are appointed for a one-year term of office.

The parish council does not represent the parish and exercises no executive or legislative powers – it is the parish priest's advisory council.

COULD YOU BE A WAITER FOR AN AFTERNOON?

We are looking for two reliable parishioners to serve food and drinks after our daughter's baptism on Sunday 5th June 2011, in Alexander House, from 11.30am. If you would like a job helping us set up, lay out the buffet, circulate with food/drinks, make teas/coffees and help clean up afterwards, please call Hannah on 07876 755215. Payment £12 per hour.

FOLKESTONE TO CANTERBURY PILGRIMAGE

You are invited to take part in a walking Pilgrimage to Canterbury on Fri 8th July to Sunday 10th July 2011

There will be practice walks throughout the Summer on Saturdays to increase our level of fitness. Accommodation will be two nights in the Kipps Hostel in Canterbury please see www.kipps-hostel.com. The approximate total cost is £100.00 per person, this includes transport and accommodation but is extra for meals. There are only 30 spaces available, so if you would like to go please submit a non-refundable deposit of £20.00 per person, as soon as possible (cheques payable to St Raphael's Parish Church). For further details please see Catherine who will be available at the end of the 9.30am mass on Sunday 3rd April or email st.raphaelsramblers@gmail.com