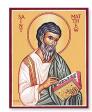
MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 1st April

6.30 pm Molly Clark RIP

SUNDAY 2nd April

9.00am Clarice Sophia Adams RIP 11.00am People of the Parish



Sacrament of Reconciliation Confessions will follow 09.30 mass on Saturday morning or by appointment

Monday 3rd April No mass

Tuesday 4th April 09.00 Exposition 09.30 Pam Bedwell—Intentions Stations of the Cross will follow mass

Wednesday 5th April 09.00 Exposition 09.30 Egbeama Family Intentions

Thursday 6th April 09.00 Exposition 09.30 Eileen Hendy—Intentions

Friday 7th April 09.00 Exposition 09.30 John Black—RIP Rosary will follow after mass

Saturday 8th April 09.00 Exposition 09.30 Liz Adams RIP

Important Contacts.

Safeguarding: Richard Roberts 0118 978 9059 e-mail: richard.x.roberts@gmail.com Other Priests in the area : Fr Marcus Brisley 01252 876820 Fr. Danny Mc Avoy 01344 425729, Fr Kevin Bidgood 01344 620591

Hospital / Home visits. Sick Communion, Baptism Preparation If you are sick or going into hospital and would like a visit or Holy Communion, call the office on 0118 978 0348 or call Fr. David. Baptisms—see Fr. David after Mass on any Sunday for further details

Parish Office Opening Times :- Tuesday to Friday, 09.00 to 13.00 The Parish Office is closed all day Monday Your Parish Administrator, Una Smith, can be contacted on Tel: 0118 978 0348 or email, wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

> Please remember to switch off your mobile phone before Mass God deserves all our attention Thank you.



Corpus Christi

Wokingham South Berkshire Pastoral Area



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<u>2nd April 2017 Fifth Sunday in Lent (Yr A)</u>

Miraculous Life



Sisters, Martha and Mary send word to Jesus to tell him that his beloved friend Lazarus is seriously ill. When Jesus hears this news, he remains where he is for another two days before setting off to Judea. The story is puzzling to say the least! That Jesus delays rushing off to be with his good friends in their hour of need surely smacks of total indifference. In truth,

Jesus' delay is essential to the story.

Jesus is about to deepen the faith of his good friends Martha, Mary and Lazarus and all those who know them. It is because he loves his friends and not because he is indifferent to them that he allows Lazarus to die before returning. It is through Lazarus' death that Jesus is about to display indisputable proof of God. Jesus is about to work the ultimate miracle. Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.

It is not just that Lazarus got his life back that makes this miracle so exciting, it's that everybody who witnessed it or heard about it had their lives changed as a result. The raising of Lazarus reminds us not only that we are to inherit eternal life, but also that our lives can be miraculously enriched by our faith in Jesus.



In your prayers, please remember all those who have recently died . Also pray for all those who are sick, in hospital or housebound especially Eileen Hendy, Pam Sheridan, Mary Ann Froud, Daniel Sutton, Ruth Murphy, Miriam Terry, Joseph Nemeth, Michael Sigwasa, Hugh Dwan and Natalie Mahon.

Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention for April 2017

Back in the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis had a message for young Christians everywhere. Pope Francis had urged young people living in situations of "war, extreme poverty, daily troubles and loneliness" to not lose hope and not be taken in "by the messages of hatred or terror all around us." He added, "You are preparing to be Christians capable of making courageous choices and decisions, in order to build daily, even through little things, a world of peace,"

This month we are invited to join in Pope Francis' prayer intention "...That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life."

South Berkshire Pastoral Area—Lenten Penitential Services will be at

St Joseph's, Stanley Walk, **Bracknell** RG12 1HA on Wednesday 5 April, 2017 at 7.30pm. Because Fr David will be taking part in this service, there will not be Stations of the Cross at Corpus Christi that evening.

St Francis, Coronation Road, **South Ascot**, Berkshire SL5 9HG on Thursday 6th April at 7.30pm

Easter Services at Corpus Christi

Maundy Thursday—Evening mass of The Lord's supper—8pm Good Friday— Celebration of the Lord's Passion—3pm Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil —8pm Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord— 9am and 11am

CHRISM MASS, CATHEDRAL PORTSMOUTH – **Tuesday 11 April 2017** at 11.00am. St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow Church in Bracknell have a "mobility impaired" accessible bus for both able-bodied and mobility impaired parishioners who wish to attend this most beautiful Mass at the Cathedral which all the Priests of the diocese attend. The bus will be departing from St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow Church at 8.00am and returning approx 4.00pm. There is no charge and no donations for the bus, car parking available at the church. Please contact Bracknell parish office on 01344 425729 or <u>stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</u> to be included for the bus. Do come—This Tuesday, April 4th, Keenan Rooms at 7.30pm A talk by Dr Austen Ivereigh, biographer of Pope Francis, entitled Amoris Laetitia : Pope Francis and Marriage

Churches Together in Wokingham—Volunteers needed to help with preparation, as stewards and to take acting parts in the Good Friday event in the Market Place at 12 noon on 14th April. For full details please see our Notice Board . For All Offers of Help—PLEASE CONTACT: goodfriday@stage-fright.org.uk ..or phone Michael on 077 3747 7193

CAFOD Lenten Appeal – please give generously to our parish collection this weekend to support hard-working people like Florence, a widow in Zambia. Your donations can be gift aided by filling in the form on the green 'fast day' envelopes available in the church lobby. Thank you.

Thank you for your generosity towards last week's Second Collection for the **Clergy Assistance Fund**— \pm 240 has been sent to the diocese

Fanning The Flame—Sumer Camp 21-25th August 2017 for ages 10-25 years For Faith, Fun and Fellowship—See poster on our notice board for more information www.dominicansistersof stjoseph.org or email dominican.sisters@talk21.com

Missio - APF / Mill Hill Red Boxes: the total amount raised by our parish last year was £1,402.84. Many thanks for your generosity.

APF PROMOTERS: Please could you collect your envelope from the church porch. **RED BOX HOLDERS**: Please note that the boxes will be emptied soon.

AFRICA FUND LENT APPEAL

Thank you to all those who so generously donated to this year's appeal. After the third weekend of the appeal over £12,400 had been donated, which with Gift Aid, where applicable, will result in £15,000 having been raised so far.

Anyone who still wishes to donate can do so through the Parish Office.

200 CLUB WINNER FOR MARCH

Congratulations to the holder of the winning number, 116