

OUR LADY & THE APOSTLES

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Sunday 3rd March 2019 **EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** Mass Book page 144
MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

DATE	FEAST	TIME	INTENTION
Sun 3 rd Mar	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Day of Prayer for the Unemployed	Sat. 2nd Mar 7.00pm 10.00am	Madeline O'Connell Our Parish Family
Mon 4 th Mar	Ferial (St. Casimir)	7.00pm	Patrick Galligan
Tues 5 th Mar	Ferial	12.15pm	Pat Rustage
Wed 6 th Mar	ASH WEDNESDAY	12.15pm 1.15pm	Fr. Pat Munroe Requiem Mass for Austin Flood
Thurs 7 th Mar	Thursday after Ash Wednesday (Ss Perpetua and Felicity)	8.30am <i>at Evron</i>	Philip Greenwell (RIP)
Fri 8 th Mar	Ferial (St. John of God)	12.15pm	Mary Mullen
Sat 9 th Mar	Ferial (Blessed Virgin Mary)	9.30am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.00pm First Mass of Sunday	Our Parish Family Kathleen Mason
Sun 10 th Mar	First Sunday of Lent	10.00am	Michael Neary

Please Pray For: The Sick

Fr. Pat Munroe, Eileen Gurney, John Wynne, Edith Harper, Glynis Frame, Vincent Tracey, Donna Wright, Mary Ellen Kelly, Keith Garnett, Ronald Fury, John O'Shea, Sheila Friel, Lisa McCann, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O'Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Catherine Tracey, Kathleen Bond, Jordan Harris, Matthew Donegani, Alana Walsh, Gerda Clark, Jean Egginton, Margaret Hales, Mary Glindon, Sean O'Callaghan, Tommy Summers and Gertrude Ashton.

Lately Dead

Austin Flood Requiem Mass here on Wednesday, 6th March followed by burial in Mill Lane Cemetery.
Tony Kelly Details to follow

Anniversaries

Bruce F.M. Brian, William Gough, Bernard Lohback, Joseph Carley, Florence Welch, Clarence Percival Bradley, Mary Sheridan, Derek Caine, William Foley, John Curley Jr., Melanie (Mel) Hadfield, Moira Selby Snr., Terence Maguire, May Maynes, Kathleen Fay and Robert Leech.

Parish Diary 3rd March to 10th March, 2019

DATE	EVENT	TIME	DETAILS
Monday 4 th March	SVP meet	7.30pm	In the Presbytery. New members are always welcome to join. For more information please contact Dennis Clark on 0161 485 1256.
Wednesday 6 th March	Ash Wednesday		Day of Fasting and Abstinence
Thursday 7 th March	Prayer Group meets	8.00pm	In the Presbytery
Friday 8 th March	Stations of the Cross	11.45am	In church
Friday 8 th March	Ian and Kath's Family Group	7.15pm	In the Presbytery for a beetle drive, planning session and game of bingo.
Saturday 9 th March	Sacrament of Reconciliation	After 9.30am Mass 6.30pm to 6.50pm	Also on request.

Sanctuary Lamp Dedication



As we look at the Sanctuary Lamp and turn our focus to our Blessed Lord in the tabernacle, let us remember especially **our children and youth** in our prayers this month.
Dear Lord hear our prayers for them. Amen.

News and Notices

Fr. Pat Munroe: If you would like to send cards and good wishes to Fr. Pat as he recovers from his stroke, please address them to him at St. Hugh and St. John, 314 Manchester Rd., Timperley, Altrincham, WA14 5NB. Fr. Tomasz has written a prayer for Fr. Pat's swift recovery which is attached to this newsletter.

Cambodia Visit: We arrived back on Monday after a wonderful, life changing (if somewhat exhausting) visit to Cambodia. Fr. Totet was so grateful for the generous donations you made to support the rice soup programme, our gifts of basic provisions to poor families and to support his work generally. We had so many amazing experiences but were touched by the dignity of the people and their constant welcoming smiles that we encountered everywhere we went. Do check out the photos on our Parish Facebook page. Soon we hope to arrange an evening presentation for you all to share something of our amazing experience and to discuss how we can further support the work of Fr. Totet and his team.

Parish Pastoral Council Notes: At our recent meeting we focused especially on how we can reach out to the poor and needy in our area and generally. We will explore deepening our links with the Olive Branch as well as our Cambodia Link. We welcome any further ideas. We will produce an Easter Card with all our Holy Week and Easter Services to be distributed in the area as well as approaching Morrisons to ask if we can publicise them there. We also talked about developing our social life in the parish and discussed looking to celebrate festivals and traditions from the various ethnic groups that make up our parish family. We also discussed a Parish Pilgrimage Day to be organised in spring - details to follow.

During Lent there will be **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** after 9.30am Mass. We would welcome different groups to lead **Stations of the Cross** on Sunday afternoons in Lent. Please contact the office if you would like to help.



Offertory Envelopes- Thank you to all those Parishioners who collected their box of envelopes last Sunday. Before leaving church today please check to see if your envelopes are there. If you are new to the Parish or would like a box please put your name and address on a sheet of paper (which can be found on the table) and place it in the envelope marked 'Parish Secretary'. Then on your way out post it through the letter box of the Presbytery door. If you require a Gift Aid Form (25p of every £1 will be returned to YOUR parish NOT to the taxman), please mention this when providing your details. Once again thank you for your continuing support and generosity to your parish.

CAFOD: Whilst Family Fast Day is later in Lent, it is a tradition in Our Lady's to collect for CAFOD throughout Lent. To help with this, there are CAFOD boxes available at the back of church for you to take home, leave in a really obvious place(!) and fill with loose change all through Lent, then return it here at Easter. **Family Fast Day** is 15th March, and the envelopes for that are at the back of church too.

We are pleased to report that the final total collected from **Children's Liturgy Advent Collection** was £100. This has enabled us to purchase a sensory light for the children of Swanbourne Gardens. This light will be used in sensory sessions, or in their bedrooms. Thank you to all the children, their family and friends and to all who contributed towards this sum.

Aid to the Church in Need: Terry Gorman would like to thank the Parish for your welcome and generosity in raising £625.93 last weekend. If you still wish to donate please drop an envelope marked ACN in the collection plate or through the presbytery door.

Our February **BONANZA** winners are: £50 (No.118) Denise Cocker; £10 (No.86) Stephen Egginton; £10 (No.75) and Mark Padden. Congratulations!

For your Diary

The next event in the **Footsteps** series of presentations is on **Tuesday 5th March** at **8pm** in **St Peter's Parish Centre, Green Lane, Hazel Grove, SK7 4EA**. Come and hear **James Gallogly**, a former headteacher and education professional who now works as a Chaplain at HM Prison Manchester.

The **Annual Reflection Morning for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** in our LPA led by Margaret Lillis is on **Saturday 9th March** in St. Vincent's, Bramhall, starting with refreshments from 9.30am and ending with Mass at 12.30pm. All Eucharistic Ministers promise, when they are commissioned, to attend an annual day of reflection. I would encourage all to attend what, I am sure, will be a very rewarding morning.

Parish Finance 23rd/24th February

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Collections	£709.31	CAFOD	£9.50	Building Fund	£6.53
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