

Our Lady of Compassion

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Times of Services and Mass Intentions

Prayers

Saturday 24th February 2018

6.00pm: Matthew Rammelt RIP

Sunday 25th February 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

8.30am: People of the Parish

10.30am All Altar Servers

Monday Feria

9.00am:

Tuesday Feria

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Wednesday Feria

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Thursday St David Bp, Patron of Wales

9.00am:

Friday Feria

9.00am Peter, Eve & Gerald Makowski RIP

9.30am Stations of the Cross

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday 3rd March 2018

6.00pm: SVP Benefactors

Sunday 4th March 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

8.30am:

10.30am People of the Parish



Your prayers are asked for Tony Dunn, William Murphy and all who have recently died; also those who are sick including Sheila Finch (mother of Heather), Nichola Clinton & Catherine Clinton (mother and sister of Gerard), Derek Shephard, Maire Channer, Bridget Edwards, Bobby Hughes, Freda Lamb, Katherine Tremain, Chris Hall, Connie Blackwell, Tom Faux, Win Connor, Brenda Faux, Rosemary O'Rourke (mother of Sinead Dorn), Carmel Beimann, Paul McCarthy, Jude Mack, Veronica Pretlove, Olivia Sturgess, Joan Howlett (friend of the Grossfields), Helen Weid (sister of Mike Rogacs), Vivian Barbour, Jan Wilkins, Oliver Hutchings, Michael Waterworth (colleague of Michael O'Sullivan), Inoo Faux, Nicholas Ripper, Pauline Gudgeon (Aunt of Kate Griffin), Sue Bouton, Harold Cudden-Large, and for all in the parish who are housebound.

CTSW Prayer Focus - February

This month, prayers will be offered for members of our church and the staff and pupils of St Thomas More School.

Financial Matters

Offertory Collection

17th/18th February £737.22

Standing orders: £612.31 £1,349.53

The second collection Lourdes Sick & Helpers Fund came to £298.20.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation/
Confession is available in the church on
Saturdays from 11.00-11.30am and 5.00-
5.30pm**

News and Events

Lenten Stations of the Cross

On Fridays throughout Lent there will be Stations of the Cross following 9.00am Mass, and again in the evening at 7.30pm.

Guild of St Stephen - Altar Servers' Mass

The 10.30am Mass this weekend is dedicated to the Altar Servers of our Parish. At this Mass two of our newest Altar Servers, Mae Bissett and Selina Cetin, are being enrolled in the Guild of St Stephen and will be presented with their Guild medals by Father David.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The District SVP Meeting will take place this Monday 26th February at 8pm in our Parish Hall. Could members of our Conference please arrive for 7.30pm.

Inter Faith Group for NW Essex 'Gay Inclusive Church' by Chris Hall

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 6th March 2018 6:30pm – 7:30/8pm in the parish hall. All welcome. Further details from Shawn Martin tel 07902 213503

OLC CaFE

Catholic Faith Exploration talks

Join us for the last of the 3 talks on our faith on **Monday 5th March at 10am** in the parish hall. There will be a dvd talk for 30 minutes or so, followed by discussions in small groups with coffee and homemade cake. For further information, contact Isabelle Page on 529089.

CORDIS - our Parish Magazine

The next edition of CORDIS is due in April/May. Please send your ideas, stories, articles and pictures to the Editor, Nick Mahoney: mahoneynicholas@gmail.com

New rotas for Eucharistic Ministers and Readers are on the parish website from this weekend, 24th/25th February. They cover both March and April, including Easter.

Music at 10.30am Mass

25th Feb: Traditional Choir - Solemn

4th Mar: Folk Group

11th Mar: Traditional Choir

CAFOD Envelopes

Please return your Fast Day envelopes after Mass this weekend. There are spare envelopes, money boxes and prayer cards on the table in the church porch with pens to fill in your Gift Aid form. *Thankyou for your prayers and support for the work of CAFOD.*

Vacation Bible School

"Introducing young people to the Jesus of the Bible, helping them to build strong and secure lives."

6th –10th Aug 2018

at Saffron Walden County High School

- ◆ Can you help? 100+ adult volunteers are needed to make this event possible! (Children aged over 13 yrs can also volunteer)
- ◆ VBS costs £25,000 a year to run; please consider donating via our website (address below)
- ◆ Around 460 children attend each year; child applications open on 19/03/18
- ◆ For info about volunteering/child places/donations, visit www.vbs-sw.org

Enquiries: vbs.enquiries@gmail.com 01799 521780

CTSW Lent Series 2018 Venues, speakers and themes

28th February at Abbey Lane URC

Rev Caroline Vodden 'The Gospel of Mark and the Cross'

7th March at SW Baptist Church –

Rev David Tomlinson 'The Gospel of John and the Cross'

14th March at SW Community Church

Rev Jonathan Burton 'The Gospel of Luke and the Cross'

Each evening will begin at 8.00pm (refreshments from 7.45pm), last an hour and include a talk with time for reflection. All welcome.

NEWSLETTER: If you have any items for inclusion in next week's newsletter, please contact Hayley Doe by Thursday evening : hayley.doe@ntlworld.com or telephone 01799 525617.