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Sunday  
12<sup>th</sup> March  
2017



2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of  
Lent  
(Year A)

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| <b>Sat 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>                           | 10.00 – 11.00am<br><b>†6.00pm</b> | Confessions<br><b>Bridget McCreanor</b><br>(S Wood)  |
| <b>Sun 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>                           | <b>†10.00am</b>                   | <b>People of the Parish</b>  |
| <b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>                           |                                   | <b>Angela Page RIP</b><br>(H Orchard)  |
| <b>Tues 14<sup>th</sup> March</b>                          | <b>†9.30am</b>                    | <b>Michael Lloyd RIP</b><br>(A Watkins)  |
| <b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup> March</b><br><b>No morning Mass</b> | 1.30pm<br>2.30pm                  | Rosary Group<br>Wednesday Club   |
| <b>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March</b>                         | <b>†9.30am</b>                    | <b>Holy Souls</b><br>(J&C Welsh)   |
| <b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>                           | <b>†9.30am</b><br><b>7.30pm</b>   | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>   |
| <b>Sat 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>                           | 10.00 – 11.00am<br><b>†6.00pm</b> | Confessions<br><b>Deceased relatives of David Gleeson</b><br><b>Gleeson</b><br>(D Gleeson) |

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# LENT

*"The Word is a gift. Other persons are a gift"*

Pope Francis

## Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7.30pm.

## Parish News & Events



### Please pray

Please remember to pray for the young people of the parish who will be Confirmed this year as well as the children who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion.

## Fast Day CAFOD Lunch

Thank you to all those who supported us on Ash Wednesday, and to all those who made the varied selection of soups. We raised the sum of £107 which will be added to the CAFOD envelope collection this week. Wednesday Club.

## CAFOD

Please remember to return them on the week-end of **11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> March**.

This year CAFOD are highlighting one of their partners in Zambia, the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, who have given a hardworking young mum enough small fish and tools to build a pool in order to farm fish. This allows her to earn enough money to send her children to school. With your help lots of young women like her can be helped to stand on their own feet.

## Mission Appeal

We will be visited on Saturday **1<sup>st</sup> April** and Sunday **2<sup>nd</sup> April** by Sr. Michela Pirra one of the Comboni Missionary Sisters who will be talking to us about the Mission Appeal. Please make her feel welcome.

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## **Bishop Alan's Visit**

Bishop Alan will be coming to our Church on **17<sup>th</sup> May** for the 7.30pm Confirmation Mass.



## **Raising funds for EACH**

There will be small gift items on sale if any children would like to come and buy some Mother's Day gifts for their mums during coffee after Mass on Sunday **19<sup>th</sup> March** and on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March**. Any money raised will go to EACH hospice. East Anglia's Children's Hospices support families and care for children and young people with life-threatening conditions. This

charity is close to the hearts of this parish as they supported the family of Connie Dickason who suffered from Edwards syndrome and continue to offer them support. Connie was cared for by the EACH True Colours Symptom Management Team of nurses and had a dedicated nurse just for her. The True Colours Team are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and the family was supported by them during Connie's life. EACH relies solely on donations and is a lifeline for families caring for babies and children with life limiting conditions. Please come and support us.

## **The Wednesday Club**

The Wednesday Club is a group of parishioners who meet each week at 2.30pm in the Hall for tea, cake and a chat plus occasional visits out. We would be very pleased for you to join us at any time. It's a great way to make new friends, renew old friendships and gain support during the many difficulties of life.

## **Mass Intentions**

If you would like a Mass to be said for someone, please complete the envelopes which can now be found on the wall to the left of the church porch as you come in. Remember to securely seal any donations inside and write all names clearly and noting down if it is an RIP Mass.

Please ensure that they are submitted in plenty of time. The preferred date given may not always be possible. Please post all envelopes into the Parish post box in the church foyer.

## **Shop & Give with the Giving Machine**

Now it's even easier to raise money for our church. With the Shop & Give reminder, you'll never miss the chance to make a free donation again. Please collect your Giving Machine reminder card in the church porch.

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## Local News & Events

### **Churches Together in Stansted Lent Groups**

The groups will be led by 4 of the local churches including one led by Des our deacon in training.

Meetings are on Wednesday evenings & begin with coffee at 7.45pm followed by talk & discussion until 9pm.

**15<sup>th</sup> March** led by Des at our Parish Centre.

**22<sup>nd</sup> March** led by the Family Church at 27 Spencer Close

**29<sup>th</sup> March** led by the Free Church in the Free Church hall (by Millways)

Everyone is most welcome. Please join us.

### **Encounter Group**

Encounter meet on Friday **24<sup>th</sup> March** at Windhill Churches Centre, Bishop's Stortford. Sr. Judith Russi SSMN will lead a day of reflection for Lent.

Starts 10.00am with coffee, 10.30am meeting opens, 12.45pm Bring food for shared lunch, 2.00pm day ends. All welcome for all or part of the day. Enquiries: B/S 652060

### **Divine Mercy Sunday Service**

There will be a Divine Mercy Sunday Service on Sunday **23<sup>rd</sup> April** from 3.00pm – 4.00pm at St. Joseph's & the English Martyrs, CM23 2ND.

## Diocesan News & Events

### **Lent lectures**

At the Catholic Church hall, 11 Church Hill, Epping

- **The Joy of Love - Amoris Laetitia** on **13<sup>th</sup> March** at 8.00pm

Fr Alban McCoy OFM, Dean of St Edmund's College, Cambridge, will speak on Pope Francis' reflection on the recent Synod of Bishops, on the family, and pastoral practice and moral issues.

- **Being a Catholic Doctor in 21<sup>st</sup> Century England & staying true to the Catholic Faith**

- lessons for a lay Catholic on Monday **20<sup>th</sup> March** at 8.00pm

Dr Charlie O'Donnell FRCP, Consultant on Emergency Medicine & Intensive Care, will speak on the challenges facing doctors who follow Christian and moral principles. All are welcome and admission is free.

### **Pilgrimage to Fatima**

Fatima **24<sup>th</sup> April** - 4 days by air from Luton, £375 per person sharing including flights and half board in the 4\* Hotel Lux Fatima – Contact Northern Star Travel on 0161 773 2115.

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