CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH

Sheringham & Cromer

2 Week of Lent

Psalter Week II · **Readings**: Sundays: A · Weekdays: *proper*

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Sunday 1 March			**2 Sunday of Lent**
Saturday	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*
	6pm Anticipatory Mass	Catherine Merriman +	*at Cromer*
Sunday	9am Sung Mass	For the people	*at Cromer*
	11am Sung Mass	Edna + & Sean White (F)	*at Sheringham*
Monday	2 March		**Lent feria**
	No Mass today		
Tuesday	3 March		**Lent feria**
	6pm Mass	Edna White +	*at Sheringham*
	followed by Adoration with Confessions & Benediction by 7.20pm		
Wednesday	4 March		**Lent feria**
	9.30am Mass	Susan Littlechild +	*at Cromer*
	followed by Adoration with Meditations on the Lord's Passion & Benediction		
	and tea & coffee in the Hall afterwards		
Thursday	5 March		**Lent feria**
	9.30am Mass	Canon Peter Leeming +	
	at St Andew's Anglican Church, Church Street, Holt, NR25 6BB		
Friday	6 March		**Lent feria** *(S Kyneburgha)*
	9.30am Mass	Holy Souls	*at Cromer*
	2pm World Day of Prayer service *at S Peter & S Paul Anglican Church, Cromer*		
	6pm Stations of the Cross		*at Sheringham*
Saturday	7 March		**Lent feria** *(S Perpetua & S Felicity)*
	9.30am Requiem Mass for John Anthony		*at Sheringham*
	followed by Confessions for 30 mins & at the same time, the Rosary		*at Sheringham*
	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*

This weekend, there is a **Second Collection** for **CAFOD**

Next Sunday at **2pm** there will be Solemn **Stations of the Cross** at **Our Lady of Refuge**

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Blessed **Chiara Badano** was sixteen when she was diagnosed with bone cancer. Throughout her short life, she had a deep devotion to words of Christ on the Cross, "*why have you forsaken me*?" She knew with faith that Jesus is always close to us, and is in solidarity with our own personal suffering. He knows our desperate cries, because he himself cried out like we do.

While having treatment in hospital, though in great pain, Blessed Chiara befriended others who were sick, particularly those who were depressed or afraid. She walked with others in the hospital garden. Visitors noticed that they always left her room joyful. She nourished their hope through her friendship, interest, and care. She died in 1990, aged eighteen, in her home town in north-west Italy.

We always hear the Gospel of the **Transfiguration of Jesus** on the Second Sunday of Lent. On the road to his Passion, Jesus nourishes those close to him with hope. We do not hide suffering or pretend everything is okay all the time, but rather, hope reveals the meanings of suffering. The Cross leads to Resurrection. Blessed Chiara, whose means "clarity" and whose nickname, *Luce*, means "light", shows us how we can walk that road in friendship with Jesus: carrying the Cross with him, yet always moving to Resurrection.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will celebrate a *Requiem* Mass for the happy repose of parishioner **John Anthony** this **Saturday** at **9.30am** at St Joseph.

On **Tuesday 17 March**, our deanery **Lent Station Mass** will take place in the Cathedral. We will take a minibus: **5pm departure from St Joseph, 5.15pm departure from Our Lady of Refuge**. There will be an opportunity to go to **confession** when we arrive. **Mass at 7pm with the bishop**, and a **soup supper** afterwards… but you may wish to bring some extra picnic bits to augment the Lenten fare! If you would like to go, **please tell Fr Simon**. Please can we have a ***good showing*** for this, so the rest of the deanery can see how lovely and active our parish really is!

There are **sign-up sheets** for readers and other liturgical activities for **Holy Week**. Readers can sign up to indicate availability; anyone can sign up to have their dirty feet washed!

Next Sunday at **2pm**, there will be Solemn **Stations of the Cross** at **Our Lady of Refuge**.

On **Sunday 22 March** (the Last Sunday before Holy Week), we will have a **Soup Lunch** after the 11am Mass in **St Joseph Hall** (i.e. **from about 12noon**).

On **Saturday 28 March** at **3pm**, there will be a **Passion Play** at **St Andrew's Methodist Church** in Sheringham. It is free, and seating is first-come-first-served. All are welcome.

COLLECTION

Last week: **£1,414.90** (£528.40 plate + £676 standing order average + £210.50 DONA) ***Thank you!***

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Name: **Our Lady and St. Joseph Parish**
Sort code: **20-03-26**
Account number: **30783412**

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ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Youl 1985, Robert French 2004, Stella Downing 2017, Catherine Turvey 2018 William Grier 2024, Arthur Heath 1994, Joan Ashby 2000, Adrian Copier 1947, Jenifer Polidorou 2009, Vincent Clifford 2013, Vincent Smith, Monica Juby 2021, Jim Grant 2008.

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