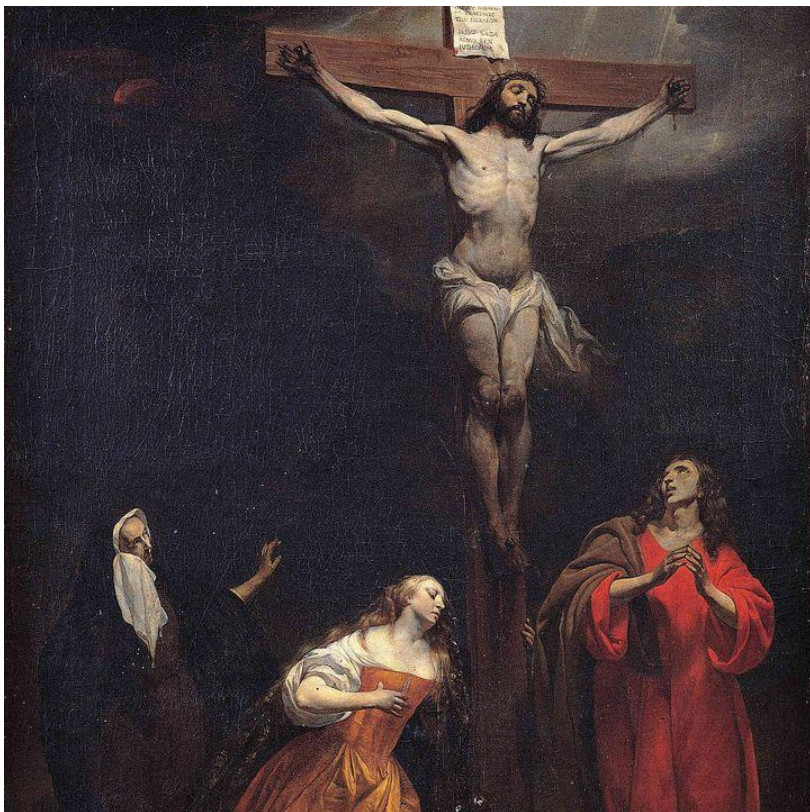


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**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**10 March 2024**

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**Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Jade Goodinson, Alan Charlesworth, Harley Bond, Eileen McManus, Pauline Sheppard, Jackie & Brian Whelan, Ann Parkinson, Joanne Marklew, Lol Hodges, Margaret Dakin, Madge Wolstenholme, Joyce McGowan, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Sonia Prince, Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Pat Collett, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Marie Montgomery, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, Martin Humphreys, Susan De Couto, Jacqueline Wagland, Sr. Teresa Paschal, Tom Bryant. *If you would like anyone included on this list, and the individual concerned or a family member has consented to it, simply write the person's name down and hand it in. Thank you.***

## **The Season of Lent**

- On the Saturdays of Lent there is **Exposition** of the Blessed Sacrament & **Confessions** from 10.00am to 11.00am, with Benediction at 10.50am. There are **also Stations of the Cross** at 4.15pm.

- There are **Stations of the Cross** after the Lenten Sunday 10.00am Mass.

- On the **Mondays of Lent, Mass is at 7.15am.**

On Tuesday, **19 March** there will be a Mass for the **Solemnity of St Joseph**, along with St Joseph's School, at 10.00am.

**Lenten support for the Carmelite Sisters at Kirk Edge:** The Sisters have written to our UCM with a request for items they would find most useful, **particularly toiletries and cleaning products**. In order to prevent duplication a tear-off list is available to help with managing the donations at the back of church.

**This Thursday, 15 March**, sees the **100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of death of Fr Adrian van Roosmalen** the first Parish Priest of St Joseph's. Fr van Roosmalen served here for almost fifty years and during that time his family donated the Stations of the Cross in the church and the stained glass windows of the four Evangelists either side of the presbytery front door. He is buried here in our cemetery.

Our **parish website** has been updated with a **page dedicated to** the three **Commonwealth War Graves** that can be found in our cemetery. It includes photographs of the graves and some brief biographical details of the deceased. Our thanks go to Clare Wichbold who compiled the information. Clare, herself a former parishioner of St Joseph's, is the daughter of Pauline and Guy (deceased) de Rouffignac and a regular visitor on her return trips to Sheffield.

### **First Holy Communion preparation**

Parents are the primary educators in the life and Catholic Faith of their children. Listed here is only that formal or direct parish preparation that will hopefully support them in this task. Classes will take place in the undercroft from 9.30am until 12 noon:

Saturday, 23 March,

Saturday, 20 April &

Saturday, 27 April (final class).

Please remember the children and their catechists in your prayers.

## HOLY WEEK

- **Confessions:** on the Monday and Tuesday, **25 & 26 March**, at **3.15pm to 4.15pm** there will be two sessions of **after-school** Confessions. **N.B.** The final public Confessions before Easter will be on Tuesday evening, **26 March, at 6.00 to 7.00pm** (or until finished if later).

- On Wednesday, **27 March**, at 11.00am Bishop Heskett will celebrate the **Mass of Chrism** at the cathedral.

- On, **27 March**, the Wednesday of Holy Week, **St Joseph's School** will perform their **Passion Play** in the church at 2.00pm. All welcome.

- **Good Friday is a day of Fasting & Abstinence**; everyone aged 14 years and older should abstain from consuming meat, while everyone aged from 18 to 59 should fast, unless exempt (usually for a medical reason). Regardless of age everyone is encouraged to observe the spirit of the day and to assume some form of penance.

-On **Good Friday** there will be a **retiring collection** to support the upkeep of **The Holy Places** in the Holy Land.

- **Altar Servers:** There will be practices for each of the Triduum services, on Holy Thursday at 6.45pm, Good Friday at 2.15pm and Holy Saturday at 6.15pm. Thank you for all that you do.

### THE EASTER TRIDUUM

#### **Holy Thursday, 28 March**

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm

*followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm*

#### **Good Friday, 29 March**

The Passion of the Lord 3.00pm

Stations of the Cross 7.00pm

#### **Holy Saturday, 30 March**

The Easter Vigil 7.00pm

#### **Easter Sunday, 31 March**

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord 8.45am & at 10.00am

**Offertory envelopes for the new tax year**, commencing in April, **are available to collect** in the church. *To save on costs*, especially as bank charges have risen significantly *please consider making a regular contribution to the parish via standing order*. As usual, in order that its value does not decline, I respectfully ask that you also please consider an increase in your regular giving to keep pace with inflation. If anyone has not completed a **Gift Aid** declaration, but would like to know more about the scheme, then they can e-mail or speak to Tony Brodrick or Fr M. Thank you for your understanding and for your continuing support.

**THE SACRED LITURGY**

<p><b>Sunday 10 March</b> <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> 'Laetare Sunday'</p>	<p align="center"><b>8.45am</b> For the People <b>10.00am</b> Thomas McGowan <i>followed by Stations of the Cross</i></p>
<p><b>Monday 11 March</b> <i>Lenten weekday</i></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>7.15am</u></b> Joey Brett</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 12 March</b> <i>Lenten weekday</i></p>	<p align="center"><b>10.00am</b> In Thanksgiving to St Anthony</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 13 March</b> <i>Lenten weekday</i></p>	<p align="center">November Memorial Dead List</p>
<p><b>Thursday 14 March</b> <i>Lenten weekday</i></p>	<p align="center">Celebrant's Intention</p>
<p><b>Friday 15 March</b> <i>Bl John Anne</i></p>	<p align="center"><b>9 to 9.55am</b> Exposition <b>10.00am</b> Fr Adrian van Roosmalen</p>
<p><b>Saturday 16 March</b> <i>Lenten weekday</i> <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i></p>	<p align="center"><b>10 to 10.50am</b> Exposition &amp; Confessions <b>10.50am</b> Benediction <b>4.00 – 4.30pm</b> Confessions <b>4.15pm</b> Stations of the Cross <b>5.00pm</b> Owen Jenkinson</p>
<p><b>Sunday 17 March</b> <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i></p>	<p align="center"><b>8.45am</b> For the People <b>10.00am</b> Kevin Hegarty <i>followed by Stations of the Cross</i></p>

**Please pray for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.**

**Last week's collection was £693.89** (£383.50 in offertory envelopes, £310.39 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.

**Church Flowers:** There will be a **retiring collection** next weekend, **16 & 17 March**, to help decorate our beautiful church for Easter.

The **Piety Stall** has a selection of suitable items for Lent and, looking ahead, also cards, etc., in anticipation of Easter.