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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: **Week Commencing 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

***Fifth Sunday of Lent: Year B***

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT: 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (Weekday Cycle Year 2 / Psalter Week I)

<p><b><u>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>St Patrick, Bishop &amp; Patron of Ireland (Feast)</i></b></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Lally &amp; Costello Family RIP</p> <p>10:45 am: Confessions</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.2em;"><b><i>PARISH FINANCES</i></b></p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em;"><i>10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018</i></p>
<p><b><u>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent: Year B</i></b></p> <p>5:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>5:30 pm: Mass; Ron King RIP</p>	
<p><b><u>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent: Year B</i></b></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Welfare of Oonagh Reilly</p> <p>4:00 pm: Stations of the Cross and Benediction</p>	<p>Envelopes:</p> <p>Loose Plate:</p> <p>Standing Orders:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TOTAL:</u></b></p> <p>Chad:</p> <p>Intercare:</p> <p>SVP:</p>
<p><b><u>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>St Joseph, Spouse of the BVM (Solemnity)</i></b></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Special Intention</p>	<p><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Parish.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>Lenten Feria</i></b></p> <p>12:30 pm: Confessions</p> <p>1:00 pm: Mass; Mrs Martha Whitemore RIP (Foundation Mass)</p>	
<p><b><u>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March:</u> <i>Lenten Feria</i></b></p> <p>7:00 pm: Mass; Holy Souls</p>	<p><i>Second Collection NEXT WEEKEND for EASTER FLOWERS.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:</u> <i>Lenten Feria</i></b></p> <p>10:00 am: Requiem Mass; Beverley Anne Milton RIP</p>	
<p><b><u>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:</u> <i>Lenten Feria</i></b></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Private Intention</p> <p>11:00 am: Funeral Service: Lucinda Mary Ledwitch RIP</p> <p>7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross</p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p>Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Pat Constable, Maureen Doherty, Tom Farrelly, Jim &amp; Margaret Dougan, Fr Joseph O' Hanlon, Ann Harrison, Bernadette Retallick, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Evelyn Venning, Louise Whitham and Bob Wilson.</p>
<p><b><u>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>Lenten Feria</i></b></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention</p> <p>10:45 am: Confessions</p>	
<p><b><u>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord</i></b></p> <p>5:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>5:30 pm: Mass; Intentions of Margaret King</p>	
<p><b><u>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March:</u> <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord</i></b></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish</p> <p>4:00 pm: Stations of the Cross and Benediction</p>	

*Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to [frcathomas@live.com](mailto:frcathomas@live.com) by Thursday of each week for inclusion in the next issue.*

<b>ROTAS:</b>	5.30 pm	9.00 am
<b>Welcomers:</b>		D Wilson & M Roy
<b>Next Week:</b>		M Cookson & S Neely
<b>Readers:</b>	P Hubberstey	R Marlow
<b>Next Week:</b>	M Cummins	S Grant
<b>Offertory:</b>	J Fox & N Brennan	J Powell & M Calladine
<b>Next Week:</b>	K Twomey & J Lyons	D & D Wilson
<b>Coffee:</b>	J Powell & M Calladine	<b>Next Week:</b> M Walton & Volunteer
<b>Cashiers:</b>	J Walton	<b>Next Week:</b> A Simmons
<b>Flowers:</b>	NO FLOWERS IN LENT	<b>Next Week:</b> NO FLOWERS IN LENT
<b>Cleaning:</b>	Team Newbold	<b>Next Week:</b> Team Shalloe
<b>Brasses:</b>	K Bennett	<b>Next Week:</b> L Newbold

**REQUIESCAT IN PACE:** Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Beverley Anne Milton* who died on *20<sup>th</sup> February 2018* and whose Requiem Mass will take place on *Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 at 10:00 am* followed by Cremation at Wilford Hill. Also, *Lucinda Mary Ledwitch RIP* who died on *12<sup>th</sup> March 2018* and whose Funeral Service will take place on *Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018 at 11:00 am* followed by Cremation at Bramcote Crematorium. We remember them and their families at this sad time. May they rest in peace.

**LENTEN LUNCH:** Continues **THIS Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018**, homemade soup and a roll will be served in the Hall after Mass. It has been very successful so far and the quality of the soup is excellent! The cost is a steal at **£ 2. 00** per person and the money made will be shared between CAFOD and Mary's Meals.

**POOR CLARES:** The Sisters were overwhelmed with the donations received from our Parish this week and send their sincere thanks to everyone, they want you to know that this Parish is remembered every day in their prayers. The next visit will be just before Easter on *Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018*. – *Diane Wilson*.

**FAIR TRADE:** many thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade sale last weekend. Once again, any profits made from the sales will go to Mary's Meals – a charity helping to feed Third World school children. Information about Mary's Meals can be found on the notice board at the back of the church. The next sale will be NEXT weekend of *24<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup> March 2018*.

**MISSIO:** The Spring edition of Mission Today is in the Church porch – please take a copy.

**HOLY LAND:** We have just returned from a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and have brought some bookmarks back for Parishioners. They are in the porch – so please take one. – *Jane, Marie and Diane*.

**PARISH CHOIR:** Thank you to all those who have expressed an interest in reforming the Parish Choir. There will be an initial meeting to discuss the Liturgy for Holy Week and Easter, **THIS Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7:30 pm** in Church.

**FAITH IN FAMILIES:** will collectors please bring in their boxes as soon as possible as totals are required for the annual audit. Some emptied boxes are still awaiting collection in the narthex. Many thanks *Joan*

**ASSUMPTION DOES ALPHA:** The Course continues **THIS Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 from 7:00 – 9:00pm** for dinner, a film and discussion in the Parish Hall. For more information please email [alpha.assumption@gmail.com](mailto:alpha.assumption@gmail.com). *All welcome*.

**RCIA PROGRAMME:** Our RCIA Programme will continue **THIS Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018** in the Parish Hall after the evening Mass. The themes for this week are: *“Eucharist,”* and *“Reconciliation.”* *All welcome to come along and learn more about our faith.*

**CAKE SALE:** On Easter Sunday, we plan on holding a cake sale in order to fundraise towards our trip in July to Lourdes. Along with other students from The Becket School, we are going there to help the pilgrims with services such as; wheel chair assistance, aiding in daily tasks and transportation. We have recently completed a 24 hour sponsored trampoline relay as part of our fundraising efforts to reach our goal of £500. We hope you can come along and support our cake sale. – *Merin Roy and Lucy Sivey*.

**GRAND EASTER CHOCOLATE RAFFLE:** This year the Easter chocolate raffle is in aid of the Notre Dame Pilgrimage Account, otherwise known as the Lourdes Fund. This was set up when Fr Eastwood was our Parish Priest, and the weekday congregation began serving refreshments after morning mass. The charge was intended to cover the cost of tea, coffee, milk, biscuits etc. but the ladies of the parish generously donated those items and the money raised was used to send a parishioner to Lourdes when enough money was available. In the last ten years the fund was put on a more formal footing and is run by a committee. We aim to send at least one parishioner a year to Lourdes on the Across Jumbulance, which is fitted out as a mini hospital on wheels. This enables us to send people with complex health issues where special care is needed. We also sponsor carers who give their time to look after people on the pilgrimage. This year, thanks to several large donations, we are able to send four pilgrims on the Jumbulance, three VIPs and one carer. We are still a little short of the £2800 total needed, so please dig deep, support the raffle and, of course, join us in the hall after morning mass for coffee or tea and a biscuit and get to know your fellow parishioners a little better. At a mere 50p a cup it has to be the cheapest drink in the town, but if you wish to give more we never object!

**BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION (28<sup>th</sup> April 2018):** On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 2:00 pm Bishop Patrick will lead the annual Blessed Sacrament Procession, as we witness to our faith through the streets of central Nottingham. Starting at St Mary's, Hyson Green, and proceeding to the Cathedral, for Benediction at around 4:00 p.m. After Benediction we will pause to pray before the tomb of the Venerable Mary Potter to pray for her Beatification. For more information please make contact with Fr. David Palmer: [catholicdavid@me.com](mailto:catholicdavid@me.com)