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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: **Week Commencing 3rd March 2019**

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time: Year C

EIGHTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME: 3rd – 9th March 2019 (Weekday Cycle Year I / Psalter Week IV)

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Saturday 2nd March: Weekday Feria</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">NO MORNING CONFESSIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Saturday 2nd March: Eighth Sunday of the Year: C</u></p> <p>4:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>4:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish</p> <p>6:30 pm: Mass (St Francis): Barbara Woods RIP (St Francis' Wives Group)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday 3rd March: Eighth Sunday of the Year: C</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Heather Dennis RIP (Hopkins)</p> <p>11:00 am: Mass (St Francis): Special Intention (Saxton)</p> <p>8:30 pm: Beeston Men: Adoration (Blessed Sacrament Chapel) & Ales</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monday 4th March: Weekday Feria</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Intentions of Paul O'Dooley</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tuesday 5th March: Weekday Feria (Shrove Tuesday)</u></p> <p>9:30 am: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Holy Souls</p> <p>1:00 pm: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday 6th March: Ash Wednesday</u></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention</p> <p>7:00 pm: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Private Intention</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday 7th March: SS Felicity & Perpetua, Martyrs (commemoration)</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p> <p>9:30 am: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Pro Populo</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday 8th March: Lenten Feria</u></p> <p>12:30 pm: Confessions</p> <p>1:00 pm: Mass; Mrs Martha Whitemore RIP (Foundation Mass)</p> <p>7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Saturday 9th March: Lenten Feria</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">NO MORNING CONFESSIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Saturday 9th March: First Sunday of Lent Year: C</u></p> <p>4:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>4:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish</p> <p>6:30 pm: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Pro Populo</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday 10th March: First Sunday of Lent Year: C</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Patrick Ryan RIP</p> <p>11:00 am: Mass (St Francis): Kevin Rigley RIP (Anniversary)(Hearson)</p> <p>4:00 pm: Stations of the Cross and Benediction</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PARISH FINANCES</u></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">23rd / 24th February 2019</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Envelopes:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Loose Plate:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Standing Orders:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>TOTAL:</u></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chad:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Intercare:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>SVP:</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i></p> <p>The Season of Lent begins this Wednesday. It is a special time of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. It is important to remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of penitential prayer and fasting. In our Catholic Tradition only small children, the elderly and sick are exempt from this observance.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Isobel Alana Barnes, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Fr John Cairns, Pat Constable, Francesca Lina Craparotta, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Fr Theodore Gomes, Ann Harrison, Breeda Keaney, Elizabeth Reilly, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Simpson Family, Bob Solloway, Evelyn Venning, Jenny Weran and Louise Whitham.</p>	Envelopes:		Loose Plate:		Standing Orders:		<u>TOTAL:</u>		Chad:		Intercare:		SVP:	
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ROTAS:	<i>4:30 pm</i>	<i>9:00 am</i>
Welcomers:		M Simpson & L Newbold
Next Week:		K Orford – Perkins & M Neale
Readers:	P Hubberstey	S Grant
Next Week:	M Sully	S O'Brien
Offertory:	K Twomey & J Lyons	J Powell & M Calladine
Next Week:	M & A Simmons	D & D Wilson
Coffee:	<i>Parish Brunch (TICKETS ONLY)</i>	Next Week: L Whitham & M Calladine
Cashiers:	J Brennan	Next Week: J Walton
Flowers:	NO FLOWERS IN LENT	Next Week: NO FLOWERS IN LENT
Cleaning:	Team Freyne	Next Week: Team Agius
Brasses:	E Rodrigues	Next Week: M Castor

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Helen Gildea*, who died on *Friday 22nd February 2019*. Helen will be received into Church on *Sunday 17th March 2019* at *4:00 pm* and her Requiem Mass will take place on *Monday 18th March 2019* at *11:00 am* followed by Burial at Beeston Cemetery. We remember her and her family at this sad time. May she rest in peace.

POOR CLARES: The Sisters were overjoyed with all the donations they received from our Parish this week and Mother Damian sends her thanks to you all. The next visit will be *Monday 25th March 2019*. – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE: Many thanks to everyone who supported the last Fair Trade Sale. As in previous years we are continuing to support Mary's Meals – a charity helping to feed Third World schoolchildren. The date of the next Fair Trade sale will be **NEXT WEEKEND** *9th/10th March 2019* when there will be the opportunity to order Fair Trade Easter eggs. Details of the last Sale is on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of the Church.

FRIDAY LENTEN SOUP: Starting **THIS** *Friday 8th March 2019*, there will be homemade soup and a roll after Mass on the Fridays of Lent. The cost will be £2 each and the proceeds will be given to CAFOD.

MISSION: Copies of the Spring edition of MISSION TODAY are available in the Church Porch please help yourself to a copy. If you have got a Red box that needs to be emptied would you bring it in or if you would like one for your home please contact me: Tel. 0115 917 6697. Many thanks – *Diane Wilson*.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Preparation Classes will continue after Mass on *Sunday 10th March 2019* in the Parish Hall at *10:45 am*.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING: I am continuing with the Parish DBS renewals for volunteers with a DBS certificate more than 3 years old where, as far as I am aware, the volunteer has not registered with the update service after they received their last certificate. Father Christopher has envelopes containing the forms for those who need to complete them. I would like to collect in the completed forms after the *9:00 am Mass* on *3rd March* and the *4:30 pm Mass* on *9th March 2019*. Although I need to see the original documents, it would be helpful if as many people as possible bring a photocopy of each identification document as Father has limited time to facilitate copying after Mass before leaving for Long Eaton. Many Thanks – *Rachel McCarthy (Parish Safeguarding Rep)*.

FORTHCOMING PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS: PARISH BRUNCH; after Mass **THIS** *Sunday 3rd March 2019*. (Tickets Only). **BUNNY 'BEETLE';** *Saturday 27th April 2019*. Family Friendly Fun! The Social Committee will be organizing an evening of Bunny themed 'Beetle' and invite you to join them. We will take advantage of the earlier Mass time at Beeston and have a game starting at 6:00 pm. We will break for food (please bring some goodies to share) at around 7:00 pm. We hope that this will mean we will be joined by some families and little people. The game is easy, no skill, just chance and you can play with your little ones. (There is some adding up at the end!). After the food and raffle, we will have another, separate game starting at around 8:00 pm. Families can then have the opportunity to take little ones home if they wish, or stay on for more fun. If you would like to come just for food and the later game, then that is OK too! Tickets will be £1 and on sale from end of March, bring your own drink if something other than tea, coffee or juice!

PRAYER VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED! Are you looking for a challenge during Lent, involving prayer and self – sacrifice? Are you saddened to see the harm done to babies, women and families through abortion? **"40 Days for Life"** is a Christian campaign group whose purpose is to save the lives of unborn children through prayer, fasting and community outreach. With the support of Pope Francis and also Bishop Patrick, we are running our 4th campaign here in Nottingham during Lent 2019. The aim of our prayers is simple: we are praying for an end to abortion. But we also offer support – moral and practical – to women who may be under pressure to have an abortion which they do not want and which they may come to regret. **Our vigil is prayerful, peaceful and non – judgmental.** If you care about abortion and the terrible harm it is doing to our families and friends, please sign up now to pray with us, between **Ash Wednesday (6th March 2019) and Palm Sunday (14th April 2019)** on our webpage www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/Nottingham or contact us at 40daysforlifefenotts@gmail.com.

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