

## Parish Liturgy and Activities for the Week

Date / Time	Intention	Parish Events
Saturday 14th March Mass 12:00noon  <b>Fourth Week of Lent Laetare Sunday</b> 5:00pm	In Memoriam Winifred Baines  Colin Greene	10:00am: Choir Practice (in Church) 11:15am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30am: Confessions
Sunday 15th March 9:30am 11:00am	Derry Murray People of the Parish	12:00noon: Tea/Coffee after Mass (Romero Room)
Monday 16th March		Church is open for private prayer. 10:00am: Choir Practice (in Church) 12:00noon: Over 55's Bingo (Our Lady's Club)
Tuesday 17th March 12:00noon	Funeral Mass for Patrick 'Paddy' Le Gros	6:00pm: Baptism Preparation Session (Romero Room)
Wed 18th March 9:30am	Linda Mary Madden Anniversary	7:00pm: Parish Development Meeting (Romero Room)
Thursday 19th March 9:30am	Eileen & Tom McBride	4:30pm: SVP Meeting (Romero Room) 7:30pm: AA Meeting (Romero Room)
Friday 20th March 12:00noon	Bernadette Ness	11:15: Stations of the Cross 12:30pm: CAFOD Hunger Lunch (Romero Room after Mass) 6:00pm: Holy Week Fun Night (Our Lady's Club)
Saturday 21st March 12:00noon  <b>Fifth Week of Lent</b> 5:00pm	Geraldine Blake  George Harper	10:00am: Choir Practice (in Church) 11:15am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30am: Confessions
Sunday 22nd March 9:30am  11:00am	Ann Marie Lakey (Speedy Recovery) People of the Parish	12:00noon: Tea/Coffee after Mass (Romero Room) 3:00pm: Confirmation Session (Romero Room) 5:30pm: Confirmation Leaders Meeting (Romero Room)

*We pray for all those enrolled in the Mass Guild: Gerald Omar, Joan Omar, Tony Woods, Maureen Kenny, Linda l'Anson, Maureen Swift*

*Monday: Loxwood Close Tuesday: Lulworth Road Wednesday: Lydieth Lea*

*Thursday: Lyndene Road Friday: Madiera Drive Saturday: Compendium Developers*



# Newsletter

**Fourth Week of Lent - Sunday 15th March 2026**  
**Laetare Sunday**

**Sunday Missal YrA Mass begins on Page 449—Readings on Page 137— Creed on Page 455/456**

## MUSIC FOR LENT

### Penitential Rite:

Kyrie Eleison (Priest)

Kyrie Eleison (Choir & Congregation)

Christe Eleison (Priest)

Christe Eleison (Choir & Congregation)

Kyrie Eleison (Priest)

Kyrie Eleison (Choir & Congregation)

### Children's Liturgy Dismissal Song:

We are children of God (x4)

### Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you O Christ,  
King of eternal glory.

### Mass Setting:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus  
Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

### Memorial Acclamation:

We proclaim your death O Lord, and profess  
your resurrection until you come again.

### Lamb of God:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

## LENT IN THE PARISH

**Lent at Our Lady's:** Please see the separate  
sheet at the back of church  
for all the opportunities for  
spiritual renewal during the  
season. Please feel free to  
pass these leaflets on to  
others.



### Family Faith and Fun Night:

This Friday 20th March at 6pm at Our Lady's  
Club. A great night for all families in the parish.  
A wonderful way to prepare for Easter.  
Cost £1 per person.

### Parish Priest

### Fr. Stephen Pritchard

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Christopher Jennings

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Tuesday-Friday 9am-1pm

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## LENT PREACHING SERIES 2026

### When Faith Comes Back to Life

This Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent

I Didn't Know I Was Missing This

Sometimes we don't realise what is missing in our lives until we truly see. This Sunday explores the surprising journey from spiritual blindness to living faith.

☞ "A renewed life is not just busy — it is bright with living faith."

### Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Is It Too Late for a Comeback?

Jesus specialises in new beginnings — even when hope seems lost.

☞ "Jesus never arrives too late — only deeper than we expected."

## NOTICES

### Assisi Retreat and visit to Rome: 11<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

**Oct. £1100 plus flights £190. Single rooms.** In this Jubilee Year celebration 800 years since the death of St Francis there is a parish retreat to Assisi. Four nights in Assisi. Silent retreat experiencing the spirit of Ss Francis & Clare. Three nights in Rome with a visit to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel. Suitable for those who can walk long distances, walk on uneven surfaces and stand for extended periods of time. For more information email [ola@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:ola@rcaol.org.uk)

### Continuing along the Path of Synodality:

Tuesday evenings 7pm to 8.30pm April 21st, 28st & May 5th, 12th, 19th. As we journey through Eastertime towards the great feast of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost we have an opportunity to reflect on the document that came from the final session of the Synod on Synodality called by Pope Francis that Pope Leo is now urging us to embrace at every level in the life of the Church.

To join the zoom meeting use the weblink below, enter the meeting details or use the QR code:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=VBT0x3xbJiWrU8x00sbIU097Xn.1)  
[j/89983555285?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=VBT0x3xbJiWrU8x00sbIU097Xn.1)  
[pwd=VBT0x3xbJiWrU8x00sbIU097Xn.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=VBT0x3xbJiWrU8x00sbIU097Xn.1)



**Confirmation Preparation Volunteers:** This year we have more young people in the parish and in the Deanery who have registered for confirmation. We always say that we want to do more for young people and so this is the opportunity. Can you help with the confirmation preparation. This may be in Admin-sending and receiving email. This could be guiding a discussion group or simply serving refreshment or setting up the room. There is a meeting on Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> March for volunteers. 5.30pm in the Romero Room. Please speak to Fr Stephen.

### Confirmation Sessions

**Session 1: Wed 15<sup>th</sup> April 6-8pm**

**Session 2: Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> April 6-8pm**

**Session 3: Wed 29<sup>th</sup> April 6-8pm**

**Session 4: Wed 6<sup>th</sup> May 6-8pm**

**Session 5: Wed 13<sup>th</sup> May 6-8pm**

St Anthony of Padua Parish Centre Queens Dr, Liverpool L18 8BD

**Day of Recollection:** Sat 28th March 10am-3pm Carmelite Monastery (L18 3NU) Between Cross and Resurrection. The day begins with Mass at 10am and concludes with Holy Hour Bring your own packed lunch. Sign up sheet at back of church.

**St Peregrine Icon Blessing and Anointing of the Sick:** Perhaps you have been touched by cancer or have lost someone through cancer. You are welcome to come along to a service on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm which the Archbishop will lead.

### How to give support to God's Mission through the Parish

**On-Line:** Scan the QR

**Text:**

Text OLA to 70450 to donate £3.

Text OLA to 70460 to donate £5.

Text OLA to 70470 to donate £10.

**Standing Order:**

Forms at the back of church and on website.

**Account Details: Our Lady of the Assumption (241)**

**Sort Code: 40 29 12 Account Number: 81543873**



## LENT/HOLY WEEK

**Easter Lilies:** There is an ancient tradition which associates a lily with the resurrection of Jesus, who is our hope in eternal life. You are invited to buy a lily in memory of a departed loved one by placing £5 in an envelope provided and the name of the person on the outside of the envelope. The lilies will form an Easter floral display on Easter Sunday. All the Masses on Easter Sunday will be offered for those who the lilies represent. Envelopes now available.

**Mother's Day Masses:** Mothering Sunday is always on the Fourth Sunday of Lent and you may find yourself wondering why this might be. This tradition has been around since medieval times. Mothering Sunday has not always been a day where we buy our mums flowers and cards. It was originally a day where people would visit their "mother" church. The mother church would have been the place where you were baptised. Today, it is not only a day to remember our earthly mothers (alive or dead) but also remember Mary, the Mother of God who is also our Mother.

### Ministries for Holy Week and the Easter Triduum:

There are sheets in the sacristy corridor for servers, readers, welcomers, sacristans, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, collectors to sign up for the Easter services. There are 110 roles over the three days!

### Weekly Collections

**8th March 2026**

Envelopes & Cash: £361.22

S/O online: £910.00

**TOTAL: £1271.22**

**THANK YOU!**

**CAFOD Hunger Lunch: £160.00**

**LENT: Friends of the Holy Land**

**15th March: Nugent**

**Mothers Day Lourdes Raffle**

**Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** After 11am Mass there will be a 15 min ecumenical time of prayer as we did last year. We will exchange palms with Christians from the local churches and join in song together. This will be a joyous and special time of witness.

**Gift Aid Sunday: 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Thank you for your donations each and every week. If you are a Taxpayer be sure to fill in a Gift Aid Declaration form. For every £1 donated, the church can claim an extra 25p from the government, increasing the value of your donation by 25%! There are forms on the table near the Piety Shop. Just hand them into the Parish Office. We will highlight how you can help support the vision and mission of God through the parish community.

**Our Lady's Club Mothers Day:** All the family are most welcome to Our Lady's Club this Mothers Day Sunday for a Disco in the Our Lady's Club Lounge. No Ticket needed, free entry! Starts at 6:30pm!

**Holy Week Singers:** We are forming a group to sing at Holy Week Masses and services. Holy Week is the high point of the year and a time we can give ourselves to God in new ways. Rehearsals are on Saturday's and Monday's 10am in Church.