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Society of the Catholic Apostolate (Pallottines)

OFFICE HOURS TUE-FRI 10.30AM-2.00PM

(Please leave a voice message at other times when phone cannot be answered)

Sunday Mass: 6pm (Sat.), 10am, 11.30am. Masses on Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 10am

Confessions after 10am and 6pm Masses on Saturdays

Parish Priest: Fr Eamonn Monson, SCA

Parish Deacon: Rev. Duncan Brown

First and Second (Transfiguration) Sundays of Lent, 18th and 25th February Mass Book: pp. 152 & 155

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living

# Mass List from 18th February

SAT., 17th Feb., Vigil of Sunday:

6pm: Jean Kelly RIP SUNDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> Feb:

10am: Fisher & Gordon Families' intentions

and Daniela Salaka's RIP

11.30am: Fr John O'Brien SCA RIP

anniversary

TUES of 1<sup>st</sup> week of Lent, 20<sup>th</sup> Feb:

10am: Fr John O'Brien SCA RIP anniversary

and Fr Henry Minter RIP

WED. of 1<sup>st</sup> week of Lent 21st Feb.

10am: Angela Edmunds RIP anniv., Also

Maureen McNamara RIP 3<sup>rd</sup> anniv

THURS. 22nd Feb. Chair of St Peter, Apostle,

10am: Jim Needham RIP anniv. & Mathew

Mathew RIP anniv

FRI. of first week of Lent, 23rd Feb. Lent Fast

Day, Day of Abstinence:

10am: Jean Page intention

Saturday of first week of Lent, 24<sup>th</sup> Feb., 10am: In thanksgiving for God's great Providence.

Also: Sandy Davey RIP, 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary

### **DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP**

Next meetings in the presbytery at 3pm on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, and March 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. All are warmly welcome.

# Mass List from 25<sup>th</sup> February

Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Feb., 6pm Vigil of Sunday:

Maggie Hynes RIP

Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Feb:

10am: Rendle Family Int

11.30: Stevie Driver RIP anniv, also John

Walsh RIP anniv

TUES of 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Lent, 27<sup>th</sup> Feb:

10am: John & Joyce Wedding

anniversary remembrance

WED of 2nd week of Lent, 28th Feb,

10am: Holy Souls

THURS of 2nd week of Lent, 29th Feb,

10am: Special Int

FRI. 1st March, First Friday, Day of

Abstinence, Women's World Day of

*Prayer*, ST DAVID:

10am: Special Int

SAT of 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Lent,

2<sup>nd</sup> March

10am: Special Int

### CARLOS ACUTIS HOLY HOUR

Every first Wednesday of the month here at St Mary Star of the Sea Church at 7pm. Next meeting is on March 6<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.

#### **PARISH MEN'S GROUP:**

Next meeting will be in the church on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.30pm and. All men are warmly welcome.

## Grandparents' and Older Persons' Group, Wednesday 21st February

Our next gathering will be held after the 10.00 am Mass at 10.30 in St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Hall where light refreshments will be available.

The topic for discussion, presented by Claire Power, will be "Grandparents: Illusion or Reality ".

Do join us for what should be an interesting discussion.

We would love other people to join us to support us all in our efforts to keep alive our faith for future generations.

### St. Mary Star of the Sea community club

Meets in the church hall on Mondays (entrance from the car park in the Bourne) 10.15am to 12 noon **Programme for January/February/March**:

February 19th Reminiscing Project- how far have we got?

February 26th The voyage of the Sunbeam. Local speaker Ken Brooks

March 4th Games and chat

March 11th Update on aspects of the NHS

March 18th Talk by Claire Power (subject to be confirmed)

March 25th Quiz and closing for Easter

# Please be part of Shaping the Church for the future

It's almost two years since we held meetings and conversations as part of the preparation for the Synod 2021-2024 which Pope Francis called in order to give voice to as many people as possible. Out of respect for that process and the effort put in by many people, we are distributing printed copies of the *Synthesis Report* of the First Session which took place in October 2023. The second session will take place in October 2024. On January 2<sup>nd</sup> Bishop Richard published the third edition of the Pastoral Plan - *The Word Who Is Life* – for our diocese.

Both documents call all of us to a period of reflection, participation, and prayer, especially Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Pope Francis has stressed that there is no Synodal Path without Adoration. Here in the parish, we have an hour of Adoration every Friday after 10am Mass. This hour of prayer will be dedicated to praying for the Synodal and the Pastoral Plan.

Pope Francis has asked each local Church to carry out further consultation among parishioners to make sure people are involved everywhere. It's about listening to one another as we share our experiences and observations of the Church and help shape its future.

We will hold one-hour Small Groups on two Saturdays after 10am Mass ~ 2nd and 16th March ~ downstairs in the Hall at about 10.45 until 12 noon. The Reports of these conversations will be sent to Bishops' Conference and Rome by 22nd March.

Many thanks to all who have participated in this process over the past two years, and I encourage you to join us in contributing to our Parish Conversation and hope you will find time to attend our Small Group Meetings