



PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

~ THANET ~

Parish Church: OUR LADY AND SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass Centre: CHRIST CHURCH (U.R.C.) WESTGATE BAY AVENUE, WESTGATE

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WEEKLY DIARY

Sunday 11th March 2018
4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Lætare Sunday
MOTHERING SUNDAY



Saturday 10th March (Evening)
Confessions 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm
Vigil Mass

6 pm BIRCHINGTON ROSE or PURPLE
People of the Parish
Birchington and Westgate

Sunday 11th March Fourth Sunday of Lent

9.15 am BIRCHINGTON
Michaela Butler, RIP Iris Brennan

10.45 am WESTGATE MASS CENTRE
Bernard & Winifred Mullen, RIP
(Anniversary) Peter Mullen

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Psalter week 4

Monday 12th March (Purple) Feria
10 am Joan Murphy, RIP Caroline Bailey

Tuesday 13th March (Purple) Feria
10 am

Wednesday 14th March (Purple) Feria
9.30 am EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
10 am

Thursday 15th March (Purple) Feria
NO MASS TODAY

Friday 16th March (Purple) Feria
9.30 am EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
& STATIONS OF THE CROSS
10 am Michael Baily, RIP Caroline Bailey

Saturday 17th March (White) St Patrick, Patron of Ireland
9.45 am MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
10 am People of the Parish
Birchington and Westgate

Collections: 3rd/4th March 2018

Gift Aid Loose Plate TOTAL
Offertory ...£341.50£326.45**£667.95**

Thank you for your generosity

BAPTISM: We welcome **Tigran Mikoyan** into the Parish of the Holy Family – Thanet. *Tigran will be baptised on **Sunday 18th March** at 12.15.*

MOTHER'S DAY – SUNDAY 11th MARCH

Canon David and the Parish wish all Mothers in the Parish a happy Mother's Day.

LENT



Extracted from a Sermon by Saint Peter Chrysologus

There are three things, my brethren, by which faith stands firm, devotion remains constant, and virtue endures. They are PRAYER, FASTING and MERCY. **Prayer knocks at the door, fasting obtains, mercy receives.** Prayer, mercy and fasting: these three are one, and they give life to each other.

FASTING is the soul of PRAYER, MERCY is the lifeblood of FASTING. Let no one try to separate them; they cannot be separated. Let us use fasting to make up for what we have lost by despising others. Let us offer our souls in sacrifice by means of fasting. There is nothing more pleasing that we can offer to God, as the psalmist said in prophecy: *A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit; God does not despise a bruised and humbled heart.*

Let our offerings be seen in the gifts of Lenten Alms. Amen

LENT ALMS: Use the envelopes "Lenten Alms" right through Lent. The sacrifice should go to Lenten Alms whatever you save through fasting and absence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: FRIDAYS during Lent at 9.30 am.

LENT GROUP MEETINGS: the Lent Group will meet in the Parish Hall following the 10.30 am Mass on **every Wednesday morning during Lent** with tea and coffee.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Parish of The Holy Family Lent Service of Reconciliation
SATURDAY 24th MARCH at 12 noon
in the parish church, Birchington

CHRISM MASS: Wednesday 28th March at St Georges Cathedral, Southwark. The parish are running a Minibus which will leave at 8 am from Birchington. **Limited places book NOW.**
LIST AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

BIRCHGATE LADIES: meeting **Wednesday 14th March** in the Parish Hall. There will be a Speaker from **The Garden Gate** which will commence promptly at 2 pm. *The notices and business of the Group will be dealt with after the Speaker.*

SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING: We are still looking for volunteers to cover coffee mornings once a month.

MARCH 200 CLUB DRAW: in the parish hall this Sunday following the 9.1 5am Mass.

CORRINE HALL, RIP: Funeral at Thanet Crematorium on **Monday 12th March** at 9.30 am

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH Your prayers are asked for Joan Shufflebotham, Mary Grogarty and Michael Baily whose Anniversaries occurs about this time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Andy Anderson, Michael Bond, Luke Bullard,
Pauline Burleigh, Edith Collins, Margaret Curry, Richard Dickenson, Ina Evans, Maureen Hatfield, Tricia Russell.