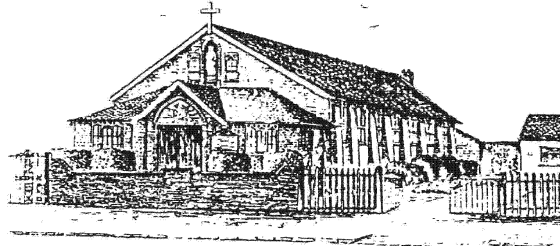


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DIARY FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY 11th APRIL 2010- SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE [C]
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday: 9.30am People of the Parish
 Special Remembrance of Fr David Everitt
Monday: 10.00am Mass – Margaret Monaghan (ints) *Easter Feria*
Wednesday: 10.00am Mass – Special intention [HH] *Easter Feria*
Friday: 10.00am Mass – Special intention [HH] *Easter Feria*
SUNDAY 18th APRIL 2010- THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE [C]

Sunday: 9.30am People of the Parish
 Special Remembrance of Harry Beck [Anniv]

Mass intentions: Ellen Main [Anniv]; private intentions.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Fr David Everitt**, who died on Easter Sunday night 4th April, aged 63. The funeral arrangements are as follows: **Friday 16th April 7.00pm Reception into St Joseph's Church, Leicester with Mass. Saturday 17th April 10.00am Funeral Mass followed by burial at Gilroes Cemetery at 12 noon.** We also keep his brothers Graham, Richard and Alan and all their families in our prayers that the Lord will be their strength and support at this time of loss and sorrow. **May he rest in peace.**

CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Eastertide we are asked to pray for these intentions: New members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work

INTENTIONS OF POPE BENEDICT XVI FOR APRIL: General: That the Lord may bless the farmers with an abundant harvest and make the richer populations more responsive to the drama of hunger in the world. **Mission:** That Christians persecuted for the sake of the Gospel may, with the help of the Holy Spirit, witness faithfully to God's love for the entire human race.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Charlie Mulholland, Margaret Bowe, John Mullen, Mary Brown, Fran Kirk, Ivy Pritchard, Rose Gray, Jimmy Flynn, Joe Anderson, Patricia O'Rourke, Denise Geary, Peggy Irwin, Kathleen Logue (hospital), Joe LaMenza and also Fr Peter. Please also remember some priests in the diocese who are sick: Mgr Jonathan Moore, Fr Robert Routledge, Fr Neil McLaughlin, Fr John Abbot and Fr Hugh Doherty

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Nicholas McDermott, Fr Francis Horvath, Thomas O'Brien, Thelma Potter, Ellen Main, Barry Hollobone, Fr Laurence Hill, Canon Robert Thornhill, Fr Kenneth Bennett, Roland Lewis, William Bryant, Agnes (Una) Kavanagh., Karl Mikunda, Harry Beck and Fr Tim McCarthy. **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.**

YEAR FOR PRIESTS: 19 June 2009 - 19 June 2010. Pope Benedict XVI has called the whole Church to celebrate a Year for Priests beginning on 19th June 2009, the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Bishop Malcolm asks us to pray each day for priests. Please use the prayer card and keep priests in your prayers during this special year. We value your prayerful support and are strengthened and encouraged by it. Thank you.

PARISH QUOTA COLLECTION - will be taken **this Sunday 11th April** during the Communion hymn.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Ministry of Welcome:
Ministry of Reader:

Offertory Collection & Offertory Procession
Church Cleaning
Tea/Coffee
Flowers

11th April

Fitzpatrick Family
 Angela Fitzpatrick
 Helen Bray
 F O'Hara, M Wainwright
 N Needham, C O'Donovan
 Bridget & Mick Walsh
 Mary & Tony
 Not needed

18th April

Margaret McCay
 Mary Teresa Gibbs
 Charles Sweeney
 P Vaughan, M Parker
 K Moore, C Sweeney
 Bridget & Mick Walsh
 Julie & Tony
 Maria

25th April

Nora Needham
 Elisabeth Gibbs
 Tim Ward
 M McCay, T Greene
 M Moore, H Bray
 Bridget & Mick Walsh
 Liz & Joanne
 Barbara

Fr David Everitt RIP

I am sorry to tell you that my very good and long time friend Fr David died at 10.45pm on Easter Sunday night. As you know for the last year Fr David had been having treatment for bowel cancer undergoing chemotherapy. Over Christmas and the beginning of the New Year he had to have surgery to remove the blockage in the bowel necessitating a colostomy. On being discharged from the LRI the Franciscan Sisters at Melton Mowbray kindly took him in and cared for him. It was important to Fr David that he should live in a community of faith and this is what the Sisters gave to him, supporting him by their prayers as well as caring for his other needs. They organized the transport to Leicester for the 12 days of radio therapy. When the oncologist told him they could do no more, he was transferred to the care of the consultant at LOROS. In the end he went down rather rapidly on Good Friday and died peacefully on Easter Sunday.

We here at St Edward's got to know Fr David well. When I had my amputation he came to supply for me, although gingerly, as he was just returning himself from ministerial burn-out. With you and the aid of Deacon John, he gradually built up his confidence in those months. He always told me how welcoming and gentle you were with him and how he felt quite at home and at ease here whenever he came. Once his confidence returned, he began to think of returning to Africa. He found the ideal place at Mutemwa, Zimbabwe. He spent 3 months caring for the pastoral needs of the Aids orphans at the Mother of Peace Community and with the leper community at Mutemwa. When he came back he was convinced that this was his calling and set about working to wards that

end. The two Bishops agreed but because of the problems Zimbabwe was having at the time, his work permit took much longer to process. During this time he helped out as a supply for priests and at the same time making appeals for the Mother of Peace Community. People were touched by what he had experienced and what he told them and were very generous in response. He then received the diagnosis of bowel cancer. The work permit came through the very week he began the chemo-therapy. Throughout it all Fr David was hopeful that he would be able to return to Zimbabwe. It was not to be. The Lord called him home to share the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

We will all have our own personal memories of him and how he touched our lives. We thank God for having known him and for his life and the great things the Almighty has done for him and through him. May he rest in peace.

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY THIS SUNDAY 11th APRIL

An afternoon of devotions will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Gleneagles Avenue, Rushey Mead starting at 2.30pm. and ending with Mass at 5.00pm. Bishop Malcolm will be the main concelebrant. Refreshments after.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the services of Holy Week and Easter in making them prayerful and uplifting for us all – altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, readers, musicians, flower arrangers, church cleaners, those who washed the altar linen and cleaned the altar vessels and brasses, Frank for the Easter fire and indeed everyone who helped in any way – **a heartfelt thank you.** Thank you for your kind Easter cards and generous Easter offerings - £571. I am grateful for your love, care and support for me. **Thank you all very much.**

AWAKENING – 50 DAYS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

This is a joint venture of Jesus Youth UK and Mother of God Parish. Jesus Youth is a catholic youth missionary movement at the service of the Church. This year 2010 is a Jubilee year marking 25 years since its inception. As part of the Jubilee celebrations, Jesus Youth UK with the

Mother of God Parish invite you to Awakening, a 50 Day perpetual Eucharistic Adoration and Intercession campaign, It starts on Easter Monday 5th April at 6.00pm and ends on Pentecost Sunday May 23rd at 3.00pm. See the poster and covering letter with the intercessions and a list for watching.

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Interviews: 20th / 21st May 2010.
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Vocations Sunday London Marathon Run

Fr David Cain, the Diocesan Vocation Director, is taking part in this on Vocations Sunday 25th April. He has asked us to advertise it in our bulletins. **Sponsorship is for LOROS** (Leicestershire & Rutland Hospice) You can make donations via a cheque made payable to **LOROS** to St Peter's, 21 Hinckley Road, LE3 0TA or VIA www.justgiving.com/david-cain

A TASTE OF THE WORLD

We are holding our first international food evening here at St Edwards on Saturday 1st May, starting at 6pm. This will be a marvellous opportunity to sample homemade food from many different parts of the world, as represented in our congregation. There will be no charge for admission but you will need a ticket, available after Easter so that we can cater for the right number. If you are not bringing any dishes yourself we hope you could make a donation to our Parish charity. There will also be a raffle and a food quiz. You are welcome to bring your own tippie, but tea, coffee and squash will also be available. We will also arrange transport if anyone needs it. So far, we have had dishes offered from Nigeria, China, the Philippines, Italy, England, the Caribbean, Poland, Spain, India, Scotland, Ireland and Greece. If you would like to offer one or more dishes from any country (it doesn't matter at all if we have several dishes of the same cuisine) please have a word with either Charles Sweeney or Tim Ward who are co-ordinating this event.

We look forward to sharing this delicious food. We may even be able to produce our own Parish recipe book! Make sure you put this date in your diary now.

God Bless you and yours

Fr Peter & Deacon John

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