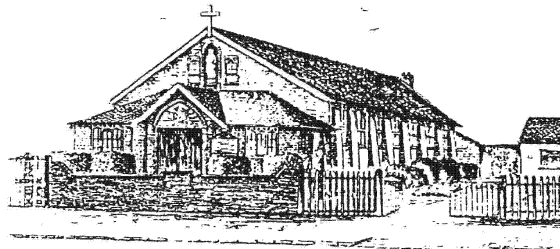


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DIARY FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY 21st MARCH 2010 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT [C]

Passiontide

Sunday:	9.30am	People of the Parish Special Remembrance of John Collier [Anniv]
Monday:	10.00am	Mass – Thomas Coyle [Anniv] <i>Lenten Feria</i>
Tuesday:	7.00pm	Penitential Service with 4 priests hearing confessions.
Wednesday:	10.00am	Mass – J Sullivan [ints] <i>Lenten Feria</i>
	6.30pm	Reception into church of Denis Edmund Connolly
Thursday:	10.00am	Requiem Mass – Denis Edmund Connolly
Friday:	10.00am	Mass – Elizabeth Freer RIP <i>Lenten Feria</i>
	7.00-8.00pm	Lenten Holy Hour

SUNDAY 28th MARCH 2010 – PALM SUNDAY [C]

HOLY WEEK

Sunday:	9.30am	People of the Parish Special Remembrance of Anne-Marie Monaghan [Anniv]
	4.00pm	Stations of the Cross

Masses: Maura Twomey, private Intention .

British Summer Time begins next Sunday 28th March. CLOCKS GO FORWARD one hour at 2.00am

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Denis Edmund Connolly** who died on Friday 12th April, aged 74. The funeral arrangements are as above followed by Cremation at Gilroes Crematorium at 11.30am. We also keep his wife Iris and all her family in our prayers at the sudden death of Denis. We also remember in our prayers **Maureen Fitzpatrick**, the mother of Donal, who died on Wednesday. We offer our condolences to Donal, Angela and John and all his family, and pray that the Lord will be their strength and support at this time of loss and sorrow. **May they rest in peace.**

CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; the Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

INTENTION OF POPE BENEDICT XV1 FOR MARCH: General: That the role of women may be more appreciated and used to good advantage in every country in the world. **Mission:** That the Church in Africa may be a sign and instrument of reconciliation and justice in every part of that continent.

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), Fr David 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: Thomas Coyle, Fr John Pelgroms O praem, John Collier, Fr Edward Byron, Willis Franks, Winifred Roscoe, and Anne Marie Monaghan. **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Envelopes - **£184.27**. Loose - **£59.47**. Total - **£243.74**. Thank you!

PARISH QUOTA COLLECTION Envelopes - **£115.00**. Loose - **£48.00**. Total - **£163.00**. Thank you! The next collection will be taken on **Sunday 11th April** during the Communion hymn.

PARISH MINISTRIES

	21st March	28th March	4th April
Ministry of Welcome:	Nora Needham	Payne Family	Young People
Ministry of Reader:	Elisabeth Gibbs	Emma Asfaw	Anne Gee Won
	Tim Ward	Barbara Mackness	Molly Jones
Offertory Collection & Offertory Procession	P Vaughan, M Parker	M McCay, T Greene,	Young People
Church Cleaning	K Moore, C Sweeney	M Moore, H Bray	
Tea/Coffee	Geraldine & Joan	Geraldine & Joan	Bridget & Mick Walsh
Flowers	Liz & Joanne	Charles & Volunteer	No coffee
	Lent – No Flowers	Lent – No Flowers	Team work for East

FR TERENCE MAKINGS RIP

There will be a Memorial Mass for Fr Terence Makings at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham on Friday 26th March at 7.30pm at which Bishop Malcolm will preside.

SEASON OF LENT

Holy Hour with Lenten

Reflection . Watching before the Blessed Sacrament with a short Lenten meditation as a focus for silent prayer. **Friday evening from 7.00-8.00, this Friday 26th March.** In the oratory, access by the bungalow front door.

Penitential Services –

Monday 22nd March – St Mary's
Tuesday 23rd March – St Edward's
Wednesday 24th March – St Thomas More, **All at 7.00pm**
Thursday 25th March – Market
Harborough, **7.30pm**

PALM SUNDAY – is **next Sunday** and marks the beginning of Holy Week, which is the most important week in the Church's year. **The blessing and distribution of palms at the beginning of Mass will start in the hall and process into the church. Please assemble in the Hall by 9.30am.** Please keep the Easter card which you will receive today with all the times of the services, somewhere prominent in your home. As we recall the great events of our redemption this Holy Week try to come to the services to follow Christ in his last journey which he made for love of us.

Stations of the Cross next Sunday 28th March at 4.00pm.

This great Catholic devotion helps us to follow and meditate on that final journey that Jesus made for us because he loves us so much. During Lent and especially in Passiontide we should make the Stations of the Cross at least once. Spare the time next Sunday to come and make the Stations together to respond with love to the love that Christ shows for us in this journey.

Lent Books. Please make a special effort to use the book each day during Passiontide and Holy Week.

Easter Duties – reception of Holy Communion and confession where necessary – between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday (30th May).

CHRIST IN THE CENTRE 2010

Dramatic presentation of Christ's Passion will be held on Good Friday 2nd April starting at St Peter's Square at 10.00am via Highcross and ending at Humberstone Gate at about 12 midday. The organizers are asking for:

Attendance. By our presence giving a great witness to our Christian faith in our multi-faith city.

Prayers. In these weeks of Lent to support in prayers in the pageant in whatever way.

PREPARING FOR EASTER

Special Collection for flowers for Easter & Eastertide will be taken this Sunday 21st March during the communion hymn. Offerings can be gift aided by using a brown envelope from the back of church and putting your name or number on it.

CAFOD - LENTEN FASTING

This year is the 50th anniversary of Lent Fast Days and the theme this year is **GIVE IT UP**

But the idea this year is we give something up for the whole of Lent and what we would have spent we give to CAFOD. The envelopes give some ideas how it works. For example we give up wine which can be turned into water, or biscuits into bicycles. So at the end of Lent you hand in your envelopes or whatever you have been saving in and we will send it to CAFOD for them to do the exchanging – magazines into shelter, meals into food!

CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our congratulations and best wishes to **David Joy and Katherine Pawley**, who were married here yesterday, Saturday. We pray that the Lord will deepen in them their love for each other and shower them with many joys and blessings in their married lives.

AYLESTONE community meeting

This will be held on Wednesday 24th March at St Edward's Church Hall, starting at 6.00pm. The Aylestone community meeting is for people living, working and having an interest in the area and is open for all to attend. A chance to meet your local councillors and council staff. Beat Officers will also be in attendance. There is quite an extensive agenda. See the poster and flyers.

Find the Joker

Winner Bridget Hourihan picked A4 – 6 of Spades. Prize money now about **£202.50.** Tickets £1 are on sale after Mass and in the Hall during coffee when the draw is made for the winning ticket to turn over a playing card in search of the winning Joker. Thanks to Angela and Keith for running this fundraiser.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The dates for this year's pilgrimage led by Bishop Malcolm are Monday 19th – Saturday 24th July. **AIR** from East Midlands direct to Tarbes/Lourdes. Prices from £580, full board – sharing, 5 nights in Lourdes

COACH including Nevers departing from Newark & picking up at Leicester. Prices from £435 18th-25th July, full board – sharing, 5 nights in Lourdes. Bursaries are available for the sick, health care professionals and young people where needed. Further details are available from Tangney tours tel: 01732 886666. Email: info@tangney-tours.com. Web: www.tangney-tours.com or the Nottingham Diocesan pilgrimage office tel: 07540 239319. Email admin@nottingham-lourdes.org.uk
Young people's pilgrimage to Lourdes - As part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, young people travel out with their Catholic schools and the youth service to spend time serving members of the whole diocesan family. If you are in, or have just left, school years 11, 12 and 13 in July 2010, are not in a Catholic school and want to come, the youth service runs a group just for you. We travel out with all the schools 18 – 25th July. For more details and forms, contact fr.joe@ndcys.com tom@ndcys.com or 01773 852044. Check youth service website www.ndcys.com

LOURDES & LISIEUX

There are few places left on the pilgrimage organized by St John Bosco & St Mary's. Travel by luxury coach from 17th-23rd July. Cost £480. See poster and contact Mrs Amanda Johnson 275 1662

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 tipples, 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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