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Newsletter for Sunday, 3rd March 2024, Third Sunday of Lent.

Mass Books p154. Psalter Week 3.

We pray for the Parish of St Pancras, Ipswich, the Holy Land, Ukraine, the Catholic Community in Prek Toal, Cambodia, and SVP in Kerala, India.

Mass Times this w	<u>reek</u>	Memorial Acc: We proclaim,			
Saturday 6.30pn	1	Private intention	Wednesda	y 12.15 pm, Lent Feria	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 9.00 ar	n,	People of the Parish	Thursday	Lent Feria	No Mass today
11.00 aı	n,	Henryk Podlewski RIP	Friday	12.15 pm, ST FELIX	Billy Walker RIP
Monday 9.30 ar	n, Lent Feria	Julia Giron Medina RIP (SVP)	Saturday	10.00 am, Lent Feria	Private intention
Tuesday <u>9.00 ar</u>	<u>n</u> , Lent Feria	Private intention	•	6.30 pm , (4 th Sunday of Lent)	Private intention

Sacrament of Reconciliation, Saturday, 10.30 am, or by appointment. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, Friday, 11.40 am – 12.10 pm, before Mass. **Teas and coffees** after 9.00 and 11.00 am Mass. Teas and Coffees in January and February raised £125. Profits are divided between CAFOD and Cambodia. **Children's Liturgy** at 11.00 am Mass today.

Stations of the Cross A short form at 11.45 am on Wednesday, before Mass, and then on Friday at 7.00 pm, this week here in St Etheldreda's Church.

Lenten Alms this year will be devoted to our twinned brothers and sisters in the community of Prek Toal, Cambodia. Alms basket is below Our Lady's statue.

Cambridge Deanery Lent Station Mass Thursday, 14th March, at the Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs, Hills Road, Cambridge. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions from 6.00 pm, Mass at 7.00 pm, concelebrated by Bishop Peter and priests of our St Andrew's Deanery.

Message from Missio The 'Red Box' has been around for over 100 years. Whether you still have one at home, or remember having one growing up, we would love to hear from you as we plan for the future. Would you be happy to speak with us? If so, please complete a short form to show your interest and to find out more at: www.missio.org.uk/research or scan the QR code. If you cannot access the form online you can call 020 7821 9755. Thank you!

Parish Forum The Accounts for 2022 and 2023, presented at last week's Forum, are now displayed on the notice board at the back of the church.

SVP Mini Jars Please continue to take mini jars from the back of the church to fill up with 5p coins to help with education of poor students in India. Thank you. **Church Cleaning** Many thanks to the army of cleaners who did such a splendid job on Saturday cleaning and polishing the church.

We pray for all our sick and housebound brothers and sisters and for the Anniversaries of Ada Onion, Francis Fay, Josephine Cartledge, Bob Beedle, Michael Kearns, Francis Christie, Mark Christian Walker, Archbishop Peter Smith, Regina Karam, Maureen Harding, Muriel Shryane, Molly Game, and Josephine Austin. May they rest in peace.

Collections last weekend Parish: £655.17. Thank you all for being so generous in supporting our parish.

For the Catholic Chaplain in Addenbrooke's, call the Chaplains' Office, 01223 217769. Relationship difficulties Contact Marriage Care 0800 389380

Message of Thanks Gerald would like to thank you for all the messages, cards and presents that you so kindly gave for his birthday. He would also like to thank those who organised the party after 11.00 am Mass last Sunday.

Mass on Tuesday will be at 9.00 am and there will be no Mass on Thursday.

Coming up: SVP next meets on Monday, 4th March, at 10.15 am. Parish Bible Study and Prayer Group meets again this Saturday, 16th March, at 10.45 am.

Third Sunday of Lent: Prayers of the Faithful

Priest:

Trusting in the power and wisdom of God, let us bring before him now our intentions in prayer.

Reader:

For the Church: that all Christians may heed the call to repentance and become truly living stones in the God's Temple, the Body of the risen Lord...

Lord, hear us.

For those suffering so greatly in conflict and warfare: that God may bring new hope even in the darkest times... Lord, hear us.

For those who perpetuate conflict and stir up hatred: that God may convert their hearts to recognise that in our shared humanity, we are all God's children...

Lord, hear us.

For those who are struggling to make ends meet at this time, who need the help of food banks or are faced with difficult choices every day: that those with plenty may be generous in support of those in need...

Lord, hear us.

For our sick brothers and sisters, and for doctors, nurses and carers: that they may share in the healing love of God... Lord, hear us.

We pause to bring our own needs before the Lord...

We ask the prayers of Our Lady for all God's people, living and departed: HAIL MARY...

Priest: God and Father of all, hear the prayers we offer and look kindly upon us as we seek to draw closer to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen,
