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Newsletter for Sunday, 17th March 2024, Fifth Sunday of Lent

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We pray for the Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Lowestoft, the Holy Land, Ukraine, the Catholics in Prek Toal, Cambodia, and SVP in Kerala, India.

Mass Times this week		Memorial Acc: We proclaim,			
Saturday	6.30pm	Private intention	Wednesday	12.15 pm, Lent Feria	Private intention
Sunday	9.00 am,	People of the Parish			Bryan Thomas RIP & Renee's 90th
	11.00 am,	Bob Beedle RIP	Friday	Lent Feria	No Mass today
Monday	9.30 am, Lent Feria	Private intention	Saturday	10.00 am, Lent Feria	Faith Finegan RIP
Tuesday	<u>9.00 am</u> , ST JOSEPH	Joan Leeder RIP	•	6.30 pm, (Palm Sunda	y) Private intention

**Sacrament of Reconciliation,** Saturday, 10.30 am, or by appointment.

Teas and coffees after 9.00 and 11.00 am Mass. Children's Liturgy at 11.00 am Mass. Lenten Alms Basket, for Cambodia, is below Our Lady's statue.

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

Today is the 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Bishop Alan Hopes. We pray that Bishop Alan will have very happy celebrations this weekend and many happy returns.

Celebrations continue during the week with Mass being offered for him on Tuesday, the Solemnity of St joseph, in St John the Baptist Cathedral, Norwich, at 12 noon. Please note that Mass here on Tuesday will be at the earlier time of 9.00 am.

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: <a href="www.missio.org.uk/research">www.missio.org.uk/research</a> or scan the QR code. If you cannot access the form online you can call 020 7821 9755. Thank you!

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.

**The Faithful Departed** Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Patricia Hines** whose Funeral Service will be held here on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 am and for the repose of the soul of **Anthony Lowery** whose Funeral Service will be held here on Maundy Thursday at 2.00 pm.

We pray for Pat Regan and for all our sick and housebound brothers and sisters and for the Anniversaries of Eric Rawlings, Steve Mayhew, Joan Hennebry, Raymond Scott, Joan Leeder, Alexandra Burton-James, Olive Heavens, William Mannion, Margaret Webb, Bryan Thomas, Glory Makenzie Paynter, Patrick Kavanagh, Denis Cremin and Theodora Harper. May they rest in peace.

Collections last weekend *Parish*: £686.25. Thank you all for being so generous.

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

Please note: Mass on <u>Tuesday</u> this week will be at 9.00 am.

Coming up: SVP next meets on Monday, 18th March, at 7.30 pm. Parish Bible Study and Prayer Group meets again on Saturday, 30th March, at 10.45 am.

Happy St Patrick's Day to everyone!

Every blessing for this Fifth Week of Lent, Deacon Paul and Father David.

## Fifth Sunday of Lent: Prayers of the Faithful

## Priest:

With confidence that our Father in heaven cares for all his children with a tender love, let us ask him for what we need, as we pray.

## Reader:

For every Christian, and especially for those preparing to enter the Church and receive the sacraments in the coming weeks: that we may all become more like Jesus each day and draw others to him...

Lord, hear us.

For an end to war and conflict and for reconciliation between peoples and nations: that we may all live as brothers and sisters in the love of God...

Lord, hear us.

For those living with dementia, for all the sick and for those who care for them: that the Holy Spirit may bless and protect them on their difficult journeys...

Lord, hear us.

For the repose of the souls of Patricia Hines, Anthony Lowery and all the faithful departed: that the Lord may welcome them into his kingdom in the joy that has no end...

Lord, hear us.

For those who mourn: that they may be comforted...

Lord. hear us.

In a moment of silence, let us offer our own prayers from within our hearts...

We ask Mary, our Mother, to take up our petitions in her prayers: Hail Mary...

## Priest:

Lord, give us again the joy of your help and with a spirit of fervour sustain us, now and always, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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