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Newsletter for Sunday, 24th March 2024, Palm Sunday

Mass Books p177 at 6.30 pm & 11.00 am Mass, p183 at 9.00 am Mass. Psalter Wk 2.

We pray for the King, the Princess of Wales and all living with cancer, for the Holy Land, Ukraine, the Catholics in Prek Toal, Cambodia, and SVP in Kerala.

<u>Times of Mass this week</u>		Memorial Acc: When we eat this bread…	Wednesday 12.1	Wednesday 12.15 pm, Holy Week Private intentio	
Saturday	6.30 pm	Private intention	Maundy Thursd	Maundy Thursday 2.00 pm, FUNERAL OF ANTHONY LOWERY RIP	
Sunday	9.00 am,	People of the Parish		7.30 pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper Marjory RIP	
-	11.00 am,	John Taggart RIP	Good Friday	3.00 pm, Celebration of the Lord's Passion	
Monday	9.30 am, Holy	Week Gerry McGuire RIP		7.00 pm, Stations of the Cross	
11.00 am, FUNERAL SERVICE OF PATRICIA HINES RIP			Holy Saturday	12.00 noon Blessing of Easter Food	
Tuesday	Holy V	Week No Mass today		8.00 pm, Easter Vigil & Mass People of the Parish	

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): After Mass on Wednesday, on Holy Saturday at 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 today. Lenten Alms Basket, for Cambodia, is below Our Lady's statue. Catholic East Anglia Please take your free copy of the April issue of the newspaper of the Diocese of East Anglia.

Special Collections this week <u>Maundy Thursday</u>: The Poor and Needy (SVP); <u>Good Friday</u>: The Holy Places, for the Catholic Church in the Holy Land <u>At all Easter Masses</u>: Holy Saturday at 8.00 pm and Easter Sunday at 9.00 and 11.00 am: the customary Easter Offering for your Parish Priest.
Easter Church Cleaning this Tuesday at 9.30am If you can spare a little time to sweep and tidy the church for Easter, come along on Tuesday morning. On this occasion, please enter by the back door that leads into the Parish Rooms. We look forward to seeing whoever is able to make it. Thank you very much.
Chrism Mass 11.30 am on Tuesday in the Cathedral Church of St John the Baptist, Norwich. Hot drinks and hot cross buns afterwards.
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.
Maundy Thursday Mass: Washing of the Feet Four volunteers are needed. Sign-up list at the back of the church. Watching until Night Prayer at 10.00 pm.

Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence Those aged 21 to start of 60th year are bound to Fast and all aged 14 and over must Abstain from flesh meat. Good Friday Christians Together Walk of Witness from St Mary's Green at 10.00 am. Stations of the Cross in St Etheldreda's at 7.00 pm Holy Saturday: Blessing of Easter Food, 12 noon. Collection for Catholics in the Holy Land. NO 6.30 pm Mass on Holy Saturday. First Easter Mass, 8.00 pm. Easter Flowers for the Church Donations towards the cost of flowers and decoration of the church for Easter will be most gratefully received.

Gardening Group meeting on Saturday, 6 April, 2 - 5pm. Please come, if you can, to help with keeping the church garden tidy. Thank you We pray for all our sick and housebound and for the Anniversaries of Thomas Kelly, Peter Rex, john Cassidy, Pamela Fitzgerald, Mary Stewart, Amy McCretton, John Russi, Sidney Painter, Raymond Hill, Suzanne Cockerton, Patrick Graves, Kathleen Collins, Grace Davidson, Joseph Addy, Brian O'Neill RIP. Collections last weekend <u>Parish</u>: £814.00. 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: No Mass on <u>Tuesday</u> this week. Coming up: SVP next meets on Monday, 8th April, at 10.15 am. Parish Bible Study and Prayer Group meets again on Easter Saturday, 6th April, at 10.45 am.

British Summer Time begins and the clocks go FORWARD next weekend. Lose an hour and be ready for Easter Sunday morning!

Every blessing for Holy Week, Deacon Paul and Father David.

Palm Sunday: Prayers of the Faithful

Priest:

Christ accepted his suffering and death so that we might live a new life of grace. Let us pray to the Lord for ourselves and our world in our time of need.

Reader:

For the Church: that all Christians may be blessed in following our Lord in a spirit of penance and prayer in this Holy Week... Lord, hear us.

For all who are preparing to enter the Communion of the Church this Easter; that they may grow daily in the love of Jesus... Lord, hear us.

For King Charles, for Catherine, Princess of Wales, for all who are living with cancer and for all the sick and for their families: that the Lord may give them courage and strength and healing... Lord, hear us.

For victims of warfare, violence and terrorism: that the Kingdom of God may be manifest in all who work for peace and reconciliation...

Lord, hear us.

For Patricia Hines, Anthony Lowery and all the faithful departed: that the Lord may grant them eternal rest and may comfort those who mourn them...

Lord, hear us.

Let us pray quietly for our own intentions...

We seek the prayers of Our Lady, Refuge of Sinners and Comfort of the Afflicted. Hail Mary...

Priest:

O God of eternal glory, you anointed Jesus, your servant to bear our sins and raise up the fallen. Through his passion and cross may we come to the glory of his resurrection.

We make this and all our prayers through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.