

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF EAST ANGLIA
Our Lady & the English Martyrs Parish

Places of worship:

Our Lady of Lourdes Community (OLOL): 135 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ

St. John Fisher Community (SJF): Church Centre, Jeavons Lane, Cambourne, CB23 6GW

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Week commencing Sunday 17th December 2017

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY), Year B, Psalter Week 3

SERVICE & MASS TIMES

| Dates | OLOL Community https://www.ololsawston.org.uk | SJF Community http://cambournerc.com |
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| Saturday 16-12-2017 | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass 10am: Adoration, Confession, and Rosary | 4pm: Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass for 3 rd Sunday of Advent (Deceased members of the Dmello Family) |
| Sunday 17-12-2017 3rd ADVENT SUNDAY <i>(O Sapientia)</i> | 8.45am: Holy Mass (Joseph Harman's Thanksgiving for Baptism) 11.15am: Holy Mass (Pro populo) | |
| Monday 18-12-2017 <i>(O Adonai)</i> | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (Canon Michael Griffiths+) | |
| Tuesday 19-12-2017 <i>(O Radix lesse)</i> | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (Canon Louis Thomas+) | 12.15: Holy Mass (at Blue School) |
| Wednesday 20-12-2017 <i>(O Clavis David)</i> | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (Fr. Michael Lynch+) 7pm: Reconciliation Service | |
| Thursday 21-12-2017 <i>(O Oriens)</i> | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass 7.00pm: Quiet prayer | 7.15pm: Reconciliation Service & Holy Mass (Jean Goviden+). 7.45pm: Adoration & Rosary. |
| Friday 22-12-2017 <i>(O Rex Gentium)</i> | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass (Sacha Wilkinson+) | |
| Saturday 23-12-2017 <i>(O Emmanuel)</i> | 9.15am: Morning prayer 9.30am: Holy Mass 10am: Adoration, Confession, and Rosary | 4pm: Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass for 4 th Sunday of Advent (Francis, Pauline Remedios +) |
| Sunday 24-12-2017 4TH ADVENT SUNDAY CHRISTMAS EVE | 8.45am: Holy Mass 11.15am: Holy Mass (Pro populo) 6pm: Vigil Mass for Children's Christmas 9pm: Mass during the Night of Christmas | 4pm: Vigil Mass of Christmas |

NOTICES

Welcome all visitors and regular Mass participants. Please stay for coffee / tea in the foyer after 5pm Mass (SJF), in the Presbytery after 8.45 Mass (OLOL), and in the Hall after 11.15 Mass (OLOL). Please also note that there will be **NO COFFEE / TEA** after 8.45am & 11.15am Masses (OLOL) on Sunday 24/12.

In memoriam: All those who have gone before us, especially members of our communities whose anniversaries occur around this week: Bridget Morgan, Teresa White, Nany Heathwaite, Jane Watson, Michael Patrick Byrne, Eric Thompson, Sarah Bridges, Mary Howlett, Catherin Milne, Helen Fagan, Ann Moriarty, Jan Kisielowski, and Mick Singleton.

Collections: Thank you very much for your generosity. Last week you gave:
- OLOL: Collection £139, Standing Orders £401.
- SJF: Collection £184.

There will be a second collection for Dependent Priests Fund this weekend.

Welcome Don Pistore Ferdinando to our communities in Cambourne & Sawston next weekend. He is studying English to be a missionary.

OLOL Christmas Bazaar 2017 has raised a terrific total of £2,061. The Pastoral Council are extremely grateful to all those who assisted with the running of the event, and who supported it, particularly the local businesses who generously contributed many of the raffle prizes.

This year the council has decided to contribute immediate cash donations to Hope Into Action and the Foodbank operated by the John Huntingdon Charity in Sawston, both of which will receive £250 towards their great works in our local community. Some money raised will also be used to support the recent and successful seniors Christmas lunch, as well to hire an entertainer for the upcoming children's Christmas Party on 7th January. The remaining funds will be retained until 2018 and used for parish activities or further support to local charities.

Advent Reconciliation Services: for OLOL Community at 7pm on Wednesday 20/12, and for SJF Community (Cambourne Church Centre) at 7.15pm on Thursday 21/12. Please make every effort to attend to prepare ourselves spiritually for Christmas.

Funeral Mass of Letizia Rogowitz will be at St. Laurence's, CB4 1 XB, at 1.30pm on Tuesday 19th December, 2017, followed by cremation at 3.15pm. May she rest in peace.

Bambinelli Sunday is the tradition of having the figure of Baby Jesus blessed before Christmas. Please bring your family's Baby Jesus to be blessed on our Sunday Masses.

Toddlers Group: OLOL will be starting a group on Friday mornings for pre-school children and their carers early next year. We will soon be asking for volunteers to help run it, as well as donations of toys and art materials for the children to use. Please contact Julia at 07800993882 if you have any questions.

Healing Mass for Family Tree at St. Laurence's, CB4 1XB, at 7.30pm on Tuesday 19th December 2017 by Fr. Stefan Park OSA, Prior of Clare Priory. Everybody is welcome.

Catholic Schools: The Secretary of State for Education is thinking about U-turning on the manifesto commitment to lifting the 50% cap on faith admissions for new religious schools. We need to tell the Secretary of State that this level of discrimination against Catholic schools, parents and children is unacceptable. Please write to the Secretary of State and your MP to urge the Government to keep their promise to our community, or sign online <http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/guidance-forschools/item/1003640-safeguard-the-future-of-catholiceducation>. It would also be appreciated if you could share this link with as many people as possible.

Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust would like to thank our communities for supporting their mission with kind words, devout prayers, and financial generosity. Their retiring collections: £172.52 at 5pm Mass (SJF), £298.43 at 8.45am (OLOL), and £221.44 at 11.15am (OLOL).

Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 7th January after 11.15 Mass in OLOL Hall. Entertainment will again be provided by the excellent Calamity the Clown. Sandwiches (for the kiddiewinks!) will be provided but as always parents are requested to bring some snacks to share amongst them.

Youth Group for all in school years 4 -8: Pizza, games, fun and friendship are waiting for you. Join us this coming Wednesday 20th December 2017, 6.30 - 8.00pm in OLOL Hall for a special pre-Christmas gathering. For further information, please contact Sarah Sparrow: s_family21@hotmail.co.uk

Music at OLEM for Christmas: Tuesday 19th December 2017 at 7.30pm: 'Welcome Yule!'. Tickets £10 (including a post-concert wine reception) in aid of OLEM Music Trust. If you would like to join the Trust, please take a leaflet in church foyer, telephone CB-350787 or email office@olem.org.uk.

Creating Missionary Parishes is the theme of a diocesan event on Saturday 13th January 2018, 10.00am until 3.00pm Newmarket Parish Centre, 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket CB8 8LT Light buffet lunch included. We are delighted to be hosting this opportunity for Catholics in East Anglia. Join Bishop Alan and fellow Catholics from across the Diocese to learn how to create a mission team in our parish. This day will be helpful for parishes who need a practical way to get started with creating or to help refresh a parish mission team. We will be joined by members of the Diocese of Plymouth New Evangelisation team who will explain how their successful programme has created over 38 parish mission teams in their diocese. Across Cornwall, Dorset and Devon, more than 400 parishioners have taken part with great effect and extraordinary results. The programme takes people on a personal journey of exploration into their own faith, seeking to give a fuller sense of personal discipleship and to equip them to discern ways of evangelising with a wiser and deeper empathy for the person they encounter and where they may be in their spiritual journey. Please book by emailing: rebecca.bretherton@icloud.com. She needs to know numbers for catering purposes and to ensure that all parish delegates have the necessary parish packs to take away.

Quiz Night: at OLOL Hall on Friday 9th February 2018. Please join and have fun together as members of the new parish with ecumenical friends and the locals.

First Communion Programme: Meetings with parents and lessons will start in January 2018. For more information, please contact:

- OLOL: Amy Harrison on 07754-048239 or email: amyharrison37@yahoo.co.uk. All classes for children and meetings with parents will be at 6pm on Tuesdays during term time.

- SJF: Lorretta Peck on 07594 222207 or email: Lpeck229@gmail.com before the 18th of December 2017.

Detailed information will be on our websites soon. Please watch this space!

Ignite Lite Weekend (5th – 7th, January 2018): Open to all members of the volunteer group 'Ignite Lite' and those aged between 16 – 35 who are interested in joining and want to come along and find out more. The weekend will be spent exploring more about the Catholic faith with times of fellowship, prayer and reflection with the Saturday afternoon and evening spent at Poringland (NR14 7SH) helping to prepare for the Epiphany celebration

Epiphany Candlelight Mass (6th January 2018): join us for our annual Mass followed by a celebration in the Bishop's Garden, Poringland, NR14 7SH, including hotdogs, fireworks and a bonfire. Open to all young people and families from around the Diocese.

School of Journalism Competition: We are looking for students (aged 15-18 inclusive) to write an article or make a video report that informs, challenges and raises important issues on the topic: 'Migrants are our Neighbour'. The winning article will be published in the Far East Magazine, while the winning video will be broadcast online on Columban websites in Ireland and Britain and shared across social media. Don't miss this chance to make your mark! Submission deadline: 8th February 2018. For more information on entry and guidelines please visit www.columbancompetition.com, or email hello@columbancompetition.com

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER:

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Sunday Entrance Antiphon (Ph 4:4-5)

REJOICE in the Lord always; again I say, REJOICE. Indeed, the Lord is near.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11

I exult for joy in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; R. Is 61:10

My soul rejoices in my God.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

May you all be kept safe, spirit, soul, and body, for the coming of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Is 61:1 (Lk 4:18)

The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

There stand among you - unknown to you - the one who is coming after me.



The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, *(please bow)*
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of
sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon (if no hymn is sung) Cf. Is. 35:4

*Say to the faint of heart: be strong and do not
fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will
save us.*