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The Greyfriars: www.thegreyfriars.org
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Fr. Matthew Chadwick, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
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20 MARCH 2022 ~ THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"The Lord is compassion and love."

Times of Mass This Week

19 Mar. Saturday	+ Mari La Rue, req. Michel La Rue	6:00 PM THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
20 Mar. Sunday	Living & Deceased of the Howard Family, req. Ve Webb	8:00 AM THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
20 Mar. Sunday	For the Parishioners	10:45 AM THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
21 Mar. Monday	May McGilloway, req. Aoife Coleman	9:30 AM Bl. Maria Candida of the Eucharist, O Carm.
22 Mar. Tuesday	+ Richard Carey, req. Ita Bligh	9:00 AM St. Nicholas of Owen, Martyr, Helper of priests
23 Mar. Wednesday	+ Paul Coleman, req. Aoife Coleman	9:00 AM St. Ethelwald, OSB, Monk
24 Mar. Thursday	Anne Armer (FMA)	9:00 AM St. Ethelburga, OSB, Abbess

25 MARCH FRIDAY

9:00 AM

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION (& INCARNATION) OF THE LORD
THE CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

26 Mar. Saturday	John McLaughlin (FMA)	9:00 AM St. Margaret Clitherow, Wife, Mother, Convert, Helper of priests, Martyr
26 Mar. Saturday	For the Parishioners	6:00 PM FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
27 Mar. Sunday	+ Richard Carey, req. Kathy Lenihan	8:00 AM FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
27 Mar. Sunday	+ Jan P. & Dorothy Van Heuven, Req. by Dolores Don	10:45 AM FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**LET US CONTINUE TO OFFER OUR LENTEN SACRIFICES FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE
 AND OTHER PLACES EXPERIENCING WAR AND VIOLENCE,
 FOR THE CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY,
 AND FOR THE GROWTH OF OUR PARISH .**

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAYS DURING LENT BEFORE THE 9:00 AM MASS.

**THERE WILL BE A HOLY HOUR on THE THIRD FRIDAY OF LENT, 25 MARCH FROM
 3:00 – 4:00 PM, THE HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, ESPECIALLY, Paul Coleman (Aoife's brother), **Richard Carey, John Kilroy**, members of our parish, our families, our relatives, our friends, our acquaintances, those who die suddenly or violently, especially during war or unrest, and Mass intentions for this week.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: Ron Peters, Audrey Hatter (now at the Conquest), Vickie Hatter (now both in Roseland Care Home), Fr. Paul Clarke, John Wakely, Bob Bligh, Dominique Chapuis (now in the Conquest), Susan Clarke, Kathleen Sherwood, Monica Flint, Richard Horner, Janet (Jane) Castro, all those confined to their homes or care homes, my nephew, Nathaniel, and Mass intentions this week.

SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION THIS WEEK, MONDAY 28 MARCH 2022 AT THE HUB ON RYE HILL FROM 3:30 – 5:00 PM. A GREAT WAY TO CONTINUE LENT!

BISHOP RICHARD'S PODCAST: [Bishop Richard Moth's Video Podcast for the 3rd Sunday of Lent on Vimeo](#)

Dear brothers and sisters,

At the beginning of last week's podcast, I spoke about the conflict in Ukraine and called for a welcome to those who will be coming to this country as refugees. It is so important for us to continue our prayers for peace – in Ukraine and in those other parts of the world torn apart by conflict. On the 25 March – the Feast of the Annunciation – the Holy Father will be consecrating Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, calling on the intercession of Our Blessed Mother for peace. This will be an important day for us all to join the Holy Father in this act of prayer.

Please continue to be ready to welcome the refugee. Information about this effort is available on our diocesan website and I do ask you to continue your support for CAFOD in its work in bringing aid to Ukraine.

This Sunday's first reading finds Moses' experience of God's call to him from the burning bush. Moses recognised that he was on holy ground. He responded to the presence of God with humility and was open to God's call. It was a call to a task for which he felt unqualified. He needed assurance – and God provided the words that would enable Moses to go to the people of Israel in the midst of their sufferings and despite their hardness of heart.

How often do we feel daunted by the circumstances in which we live – certainly daunted by the news that we are seeing at present and seeking the best way to assist our brothers and sisters in need. We must know that God, who is compassion and love, will give us all that we need.

In this wonderful season of Lent, we are called to examine our lives, our consciences. We recognise our failings, our sinfulness, our weakness, our need for repentance – yet we do so with the greatest confidence, for – as Jesus tells us in the parable of the fig tree – God our Father wants us to be His. He will give us the opportunity to change, to produce the fruit that can only come through our openness to His love – the love that we see in His Son.

Let us be confident, then, for the love that comes to us in Christ overcomes all things and enables us to carry out all that is demanded of us as His disciples.

With every Blessing, + Richard

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Ukraine Fundraising Message to Parishes: People across our faith community have been deeply affected by the conflict in Ukraine, with Holy Hours and prayers for peace offered across our many parishes.

Since the start of the war more than 2 million people have been forced to leave their homes including, according to UNICEF, a number of children travelling alone. Many diocesan parishes and schools have already undertaken fundraising initiatives for Ukraine, with others enquiring about the steps they might take to help our brothers and sisters at this extremely difficult time.

Giving to established registered charities with experience of delivering humanitarian aid in challenging environments is often the most efficient and helpful way to support those in need. In light of this, and following advice from Bishops' Conference (CBCEW), Bishop Richard recommends parishes wishing to give financial support CAFOD, who are part of the UK Disasters Emergency Committee response to the conflict and have experienced charitable partners already working in Ukraine. You can find out more about CAFOD's Ukraine Appeal here: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>.

When the pain of being forgotten and the grinding trials become too much, comfort them with the promise of your Resurrection where every tear shall be wiped away and we shall know each other once more.

God of all mercies, sustain those who care for others. Grant them what they need for the moments ahead. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, Amen.

This Friday, 25 March, the Solemnity of the Annunciation and Incarnation of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, Pope Francis will consecrate the nation of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

This is in fulfillment of the request made by our Lady of Fatima through Sr. Lucia for the Pope in 13 June 1929.

As we did with our parish at the conclusion of the Year of Mary, the consecration places Russia into the hands of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. What does this mean? First, it will bestow graces on the Russians and all who live their to accept the Catholic Faith revealed by the Son of Mary. For those who believe, there will be graces that will deepen their Faith and inspire them to live the message of Fatima: praying the Rosary (i.e. meditating on Scripture), making sacrifices both spiritually and materially, giving alms, attending Church more frequently for Mass and Confession (Five first Saturdays in reparation against the 5 sins committed against Mary, i.e. denial of the Immaculate Conception, of her Divine Motherhood, of her Perpetual Virginity, of her glorious Assumption, body and soul, into Heaven, and desecration of her images.) The Rosary helps us with Divine grace to meditate on these mysteries. Honouring her images is something we learned to do since we were children.

Mary tells us that the conversion of Russia will bring about a huge change in world history. Certainly, that change would have occurred years ago if that nation had not adopted communism for its political system after the horrendous Russian Revolution around the time of the First World War.

It is important that the entire Church participate in this Consecration by praying to Mary with the Rosary, Hail Mary, Memorare or any of the many prayers the Church has composed to venerate her as God wants her to be venerated.

*Preparatory Novena Prayer for the Consecration of Russia and the Ukraine
To the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Pope Francis
25 March 2022*

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Holy Mother of God, and our most tender mother. Look down upon the distress in which the Church and all humanity finds itself due to the spread of godlessness, materialism and the persecution of the Catholic Faith, errors of which you warned in Fatima.

You are the Mediatrix of all graces. Obtain for us the grace that all the bishops of the world, in union with Pope Francis, may consecrate Russia and Ukraine to your Immaculate Heart on 25 March 2022. By this consecration we hope --- as you told us at Fatima --- that at a time appointed by God, Russia will be converted, and mankind will be granted an era of peace. We hope that by this consecration the triumph of your Immaculate Heart will soon draw near and the Church will be authentically renewed in the splendour of the purity of the Catholic Faith, the sacredness of the liturgy and the holiness of the Christian life.

O Queen of the Holy Rosary and our most tender Mother, turn your merciful eyes toward Pope Francis, the bishops and each of us and graciously hear our fervent.

AMEN.

Our Lady of Fatima, Mother of God and Immaculate Spouse of Saint Joseph, Protector of the Universal Church, pour forth the graces of conversion on the nation of Russia!!!