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3rd Sunday of Lent
24th March 2019



Alsager Churches Together are supporting a Syrian family to come to live in Alsager. Next weekend Amanda Lovett, a former parent governor from St. Gabriel's School will speak on this project at all masses, to help a Syrian family relocate to Alsager from this war-torn country. To help with their application through the Home Office and to resettle the family in Alsager from tent accommodation in the refugee camp, there will be a second collection to help this family find a new life in Alsager. For more information, please contact Amanda Lovett on 01270 882507 or email alsager_welcomes_refugees@yahoo.com The link for direct donations is <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/rwalsagercommunitysponsor/481986>

The Mission Today (Red Boxes) magazine is now out in a paper-free format on our website: missio.org.uk/mission-today It contains articles, such as Cameroon in crisis, please pray for peace; Mission martyrs; we remember all those 35 pastoral care workers who died for their faith in 2018; plus, news on the Extraordinary Month of Mission in October 2019- entitled "Baptized and sent;" and other articles inspiring young people in Primary Schools and Secondary Schools at missiontogether.org.uk & from our education pages at missio.org.uk Explore...donate...reflect...

LMA No 9 Trip to Hereford Saturday 13 July. This year, we have organised a free day-out to Hereford Cathedral and city on the River Wye where we shall celebrate Mass and take time to wander round the shops and sights of the old town. Coaches will leave at 8.30am. There will be an organised guided tour of the Cathedral at 12pm. This will take about 45 minutes. (cost £5). Our parish priests will then concelebrate Mass in the Lady Chapel at 1.15pm. If you are interested in the visit, there is a sign-up list at the back of the church. Coach returns @ 7.30 pm at St Gabriel's.

Confirmation 2019. Bishop Mark will be confirming candidates from our Parish of St. Gabriel's and St. Winefride's on Wednesday 9 October at 7pm in St. Gabriel's Church. If you have a child currently in Year 8, who would like to be confirmed, please give their name, date and copy of baptism certificate, and contact details to Father Tony or Deacon Eddie. The Confirmation preparation sessions will begin in June after May half-term, and will be every Tuesday evening, 6.30pm to 8pm during term-time only in St. Gabriel's School hall. There will also be a retreat on Saturday 5th October in Freshfields, Liverpool.

Experience Faith, Fun & Family in beautiful surroundings. St Cassians Centre, Kintbury, Berkshire is a retreat centre for young people. Schools such as St Joseph's and St Margaret Ward Stoke visit regularly. Once a year they open the doors of their beautiful centre and its grounds to people of all ages at their Family Weekend on 31 May to 2 June. Costs for board & the retreat is £100 for adults (£70 ages 4-8). Cathie and Tony Smith have personal experience of the retreats at Kintbury if anyone wants to chat to them. They are planning to go this year. For more information go to www.thekintburyexperience.com or email office@cassians.co.uk / [nickajsmith@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nickaismith@hotmail.co.uk)

Help for The Parish to gain extra funds. If you are a UK tax payer and you give money at the offertory (however much), if you give through the "Gift Aid Scheme," it is worth an extra 25% to the Parish. All you need to do is to give details of your name and address, tick whether you would like to use the Box of envelopes, or to give by standing order, on a Gift Aid Form at the back of Church. Then either hand it to Fr Tony or Deacon Eddie. Please consider Gift Aid. For more information, please contact Sue Edge, our Gift aid organiser, on 01270 876090. Many thanks for your great generosity.

Sandbach Choral Society Spring Concert. The Next Concert will be on Saturday 13 April at St. Mary's Church Alsager at 7.30pm. The main work on the evening will be Chilcott's "St John Passion" along with a selection of other music suitable for the season.

Called to Holiness, Gifted for Mission: The Laity The third of four diocesan talks will be given by Barbara Davies: Wed 27 Mar, 7pm-9pm; Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port. It will be repeated in the south at a future date. All details on the front page of the diocesan website.

Migrante International will be visiting St Thomas More High School in Crewe on Monday, 8 April to share the advocacy work on Migrante and the current socio-economic conditions in the Philippines. Jeppe Mejia, one of their public information officers, will give us a valuable insight about their campaigns. If you would like to join us on this day, please contact mrs.hogg@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk or 01270 568014 for more details.

The next 'Adult Catholics Together Spiritually' (ACTS)' Day of Reflection is taking place on Sat 13 April at Shrewsbury Cathedral. Open to all ages, the theme will focus on the 'Divinity of Christ'. Fr Tom Cunnah will lead the day which starts with Mass at 9.30am and finishes at 3.30pm. The address is: 11 Belmont, Shrewsbury SY1 1TE (the Cathedral is about a 10 minute walk from Shrewsbury train station). Payment by anonymous donation (suggested cost £10). Please contact Siobhan Cartwright for further details (siobhanbc@gmail.com / tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761 138947).

Prayer websites for daily meditation. Please log on to access, <http://ln54.blogspot.co.uk>
<http://livingspace.sacredspace.ie> missio.org.uk <http://www.pray-as-you-go.org/home/>
 universalis.com <http://en.radiovaticana.va> <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk>

REST IN PEACE; Emma Blair, Ken Phillips, John Dennehy, Denis Maguire, Jane Galea, Phyllis Woodley, Sophia Taguma, Agnes Williams, Florence Ellsmore, Alan Davies, Arthur Winkley, Rita Barry, Ray Chidlow, & those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Stefan Ficzek, Kathleen O'Toole, Carol Cliffe, Joy Jones, Ray Chidlow, Samuel Bagshaw, Norah Bailey, Stella Lyons, Theresa Kerr. **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Especially for Julia Lloyd, Elsie Turnock, Margaret Pearson, Rebecca Moseley, Peter McAlister, John Monks, Terry Orford, Catherine Bevan, Fr. Pat Munroe, John Conway, Brian Woolf, Jackie Roberts, Pat Merrigan, Harry Moody, Deacon Peter Bravey, Ana Izurzu, Bernard Dockery, Eamon Dooley, Marie Whelan, Rebecca Dajani, John Boote, Dorothy Eccles, Joanne Graham, Sheila Gibson, Anna Fedima Gray, Ricky Masterson, Kay Charlesworth, Margaret McGreevy, Peter Pulford, Betty Bostwick, Joan Phillips, Ben Thomas, Denise Nolan, James Byrne, Tom Simpson, Margaret Slater, Norman Tams, Christine Clapham, Baby Hunter, Gerard Davey, Doreen Turner and all in our hospitals & nursing homes.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING 24TH MARCH 2019

Saturday 23 March St. Turibio of Mogrovejo	5.30-6.15 pm 6.30 pm Mass	Sacrament of Reconciliation Stella Lyons (Anniv) & Margaret Pearson (sick) Julia Lloyd (sick) & Emma Blair RIP
Sunday 24 March Third Sunday in Lent	11.30 am Mass	Remembering Ray Chidlow RIP and Barbara Chidlow on their 70 th wedding anniversary & Norah Bailey (Anniv) & 91 st Birthday of Rose Stevenson & Stella Lyons (Anniv) Terry Orford (Sick)
Monday 25 March The Annunciation of The Lord	7pm 7.30pm 8pm	Holy Hour Theresa Kerr (Anniv) & Jacque Motte (sick) & Baby Rover Broeheart (sick) & Julia Lloyd (sick) SVP Meeting
Tues 26 March	10am	Celebration of Word & Communion followed by Stations of the Cross
Wed 27 March	10am 10.30am	Celebration of Word & Communion Lectio Divina
Thurs 28 March	10am	Celebration of Word & Communion
Friday 29 March	10am 10.30am	Albert de Garnerin Graf von Montgelas RIP Rosary
Saturday 30 March British Summer Time Clocks go forward one hour tonight	5.30-6.15pm 6.30pm Mass	Sacrament of Reconciliation Colin Edwards RIP (SVP District President)
Sunday 31 March Fourth Sunday in Lent	11.30 am Mass	Fr. Pat Munroe (sick) & Emma Blair RIP
Saturday 30th March Sunday 31st March	6.30 pm	11.30 am
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Barrie Knapper Nicky Brooker	Catherine Smith Shay Norman
READERS	Paul Howard Pam Jordan	Francis Insaído John Wright

Collection, 17 March, £537.40

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Please contact Fr. Tony at a.grace3007@btinternet.com for newsletter items

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