

Parish of Our Lady of the Annunciation - King's Lynn

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NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing : Sunday, 12th January 2020.

W/c Sunday 12th January 2020 1st Week of the Year Year A - Psalter Week 1

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
St Benet's Minster, Beccles

Saturday 11th January Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : Elizabeth Fairclough RIP

Sunday 12th January The Baptism of the Lord Mass & Baptism at 9.30am

Holy Family Church
Intentions : People of the Parish

Mass at 11.30am

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : May Appleby

Vespers and Benediction at 4.00pm

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation

Monday 13th January Feria

Mass at 12.00 noon

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : Emily Gamble RIP

Tuesday 14th January Feria

Mass at 4.30pm

Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Intentions : Holy Souls

Wednesday 15th January Feria

Mass at 7.00pm

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : Mark Fincham RIP

Thursday 16th January St Fursey

St Martha's School Mass at 9.30am

Holy Family Church
Intentions : Mary Larkin RIP

Friday 17th January St Antony of Egypt

Mass at 12.00 noon

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : Francis Martin RIP

Saturday 18th January Our Lady

Mass at 10.00am

Holy Family Church
Intentions : Rachel Nash

W/c Sunday 19th January 2020 2nd Week of the Year Year A - Psalter Week 2

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
St Felix, Felixstowe
St Peter the Apostle, Gorleston

Saturday 18th January Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : Joe White

Sunday 19th January Mass at 9.30am

Holy Family Church
Intentions : Sue Crozier RIP

Mass at 11.30am

Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation
Intentions : People of the Parish

Vespers and Benediction at 4.00pm
Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation

Lithuanian Mass at 5.00pm
Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation

Unity Service at 5.00pm

St. John's Church
Blackfriars Road, (in the Walks) King's Lynn

CONFIRMATION CLASS

This afternoon (Sunday) at 4.30pm in the
Wrigglesworth Room

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

This begins on Saturday this week with
Unity Prayers at 12.30pm in Calvary Chapel
(60, Norfolk Street)

The main United Service will be on Sunday at
5pm at St. John's (in the Walks). A list of the
daily venues for Unity Prayers is on the church
notice board.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOUSE

There will be a Work Party to tidy up the front
of the house (96, London Road) on Saturday
from 11am. Please bring gardening / work
gloves. If we have enough volunteers we may
be able to do a basic sweep-through of the
house. There is a lot to do!

COLLECTION

£1021.36.
Thank you.

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

There were three instances of the Precious
Blood being spilled at Holy Family over
Christmas. This is very serious. Jesus Christ is
present, Body Blood, Soul and Divinity in the
Blessed Sacrament under either kind and we
must take great care to receive reverently. If
anyone spills the Precious Blood they ought to
make Reparation by spending some time in
adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

FAIR TRADE STALL

The usual monthly stall selling fairly-traded
goods will be available after the 9.30am Mass at
Holy Family next Sunday. Contact Caroline
Brooks to order anything in particular.

ANNIVERSARIES

Nora English	John Osborne
David Harvey	Emily Gamble
Thomas Harney	Manis Macedo
Karina Tomlinson	Ada Lennon
Baby Amanda Snieckute	
Patricia Jaciuk	Marjorie Green
Elza Goncharova	John Moore
Michael Last	Marion Brown
Frederick Mitchell	Aileen Byrne
Leslie Townsend	

PARISH SICK LIST

Anne Lindley	Caroline Glazebrook
Helen Martin	Susan Young,
Maria DeRosa	Renee Thomas
Helen Seaman	Stuart McPherson.
Stephanie McAllister	Mark Griffiths.
Eileen Griffiths	Beryl Green
John Green	Ann Hemming.
Debbie Roper	Catherine Carp

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUPS

Tuesday 14th January
at the Holy Family Church, 7.30 pm.
Mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers are
very welcome to join us in our prayers
for our children who are so in need of them.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A PARTY! A POTATO PARTY!

St. Patrick's Day
Tuesday, 17th March 2020
1.00pm - 4.00pm
Includes a quiz, a light hearted enthusiastic talk,
a soup and soda bread lunch,
and a demo on how to grow spuds in bags.
In aid of
FOOD BANK
and
"LET THE CHILDREN LIVE".
Please let me know if you are interested, by
email : marypursglove17@gmail.com
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Mary Pursglove

NEWSLETTER

Please note that items for newsletter must be
received by noon on the proceeding Wednesday
(All items subject to edit by Fr Peter)

ronaldglazebrook@btinternet.com

Items can only be received in **standard
WORD format** so to fit the newsletter format.
Poster type / line spaced will be returned.
If you send an item by email it is subject to edit.

I also send a receipt for it.

Thank You - Ron

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NEWSLETTER Continued & REFLECTION W/c : Sunday, 12th January 2020.

Carmel Busuttil KSJ - RIP

(Charlie Busuttil)

It is with great sadness that the Catholic Parish of King's Lynn has lost a stalwart member of its community. The former Chairman of the Parish Council died on the evening of New Year's Day (1st January 2020).

Charlie, as he was better known, was a member of the Knights of St Columba and had held the office of a Grand Knight of Our Lady of Walsingham Council No. 319, King's Lynn. He was also a Knight of St John of Jerusalem Hospitaller and a Knight of Columbus. He had a passion to serve his church and community, giving his time and energy raising funds for charity and helping good causes. His latest project was to raise funds for the purchase of defibrillators for the churches and community.

As a general rule the Knights are the workers within the Parish who help make the community function. They support the Parish Priest, encourage the youth within the church, assist the sick and the elderly and help run parish events. They are not entirely inward looking and they raise funds for many outside bodies and charities. They try to maintain links with the other local Christian churches, work towards Christian Unity and support ecumenical initiatives. - Charlie certainly did this!

Please keep his wife, Georgina, and their family in your prayers.....----- Charlie will be sadly missed.

Unsealing the Fountain of Baptism

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (A)

Fr David Goodill OP reflects on how Jesus changes the relationship of all peoples to water.

Readings: Isa 42:1-4, 6-7 | Acts 10:34-38 | Matt 3:13-17

The Rite of Baptism includes a blessing of the waters of the baptismal font. This blessing brings out both the natural and the historical significance of water in God's plan for our redemption. Water is a symbol of life and God's gift to us in His creation. At the creation God breathed his Holy Spirit upon the waters, making them the wellspring of all holiness. Water is involved in both our natural birth and in our spiritual birth to eternal life. The people of Israel were born as a nation through their passage out of slavery through the Red Sea and into the freedom of the Promised-Land through the waters of the Jordan. The blessing then recounts how Jesus Christ was baptised by John in the Jordan, and received the anointing of the Holy Spirit. At His death water and blood flowed from Christ's side and in his resurrection He instructed His disciples to teach and baptise all nations, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Church continues this work, and each time a child or an adult is baptised Christ unseals the fountain of baptism.

This prayer of blessing helps us to see how baptism involves a new relationship with the natural and the historical order of things. The one baptised is given the ability to see the natural world in a new light. A hardened empiricist might look somewhat puzzled at the suggestion that baptism in some sense changes our perception of nature. There is a truth in this puzzlement. Water is physically



identical from the beginnings of this world to the glass of water I have just poured from a tap. The mistake the hardened empiricist makes is to reduce the significance of water to this physical identity.

Imagine two children. One at a young age learnt to swim and associates water with fun and playing. Another child almost drowned as a toddler, and is terrified at the prospect of playing in the sea. The hardened empiricist may argue that there is nothing essentially different in what the two children see, they just react in different ways. But the difference between the two children is not just explained by their different reactions. Let's say that a third child reacts to the water like other people react to fire. We would say that this child has a faulty reaction to water. With the first two children, however, we find some truth in their reactions. This is because they both see something significant about water. Water is fun to play in, but it is also

dangerous and terrifying. It will not, however, unless you are suffering from a particular allergy, burn you like fire.

For the people of Israel the waters of the Red Sea and the waters of the Jordan have a special significance. Like the young child and her first experiences of water, these encounters with water have a deep significance on Israel's relationship with water. Other nations have their founding narratives, many of which involve our relationship with primary elements such as water. Israel's story, however, is the story of how God enters into human history. It is the same God who created the universe, who breathed upon the primal waters, who now leads Israel through the waters of the Red Sea and across the Jordan into the Promised-Land. Water is now a powerful sign for Israel of liberation and new life, whereas the Egyptians experience the frightful power of water as God brings justice to His people.

For those who receive liberation and new life through the sacrament of baptism, water is a powerful symbol of our salvation in Jesus Christ. When Christ entered the waters of the Jordan and asked John to baptise him He changed relationship to all peoples to water. Whereas we bless the water before a baptism, Christ in His baptism blesses all water. He is the source of all holiness and He breathes his Holy Spirit upon the waters, so that we are given a new birth as children of God.