

## IN THE PARISH continued

- **Gift Aid** envelopes for the new tax year are at the back of the church for collection. Will all existing donors please pick up their box of envelopes for use from the week ending 11 April 2010 onwards. As a parish, we are continually looking for ways of increasing our income to help fund the day to day expenditure and special projects. The Gift Aid Scheme is one such funding mechanism which enables the parish to reclaim the tax (at present 25p in the pound) on a contributor's donation over the year. We appreciate that the current economic downturn is affecting most of us but if you are a tax payer and are not currently contributing through the Gift Aid Scheme but are thinking of doing so and would like to, then please contact the parish Gift Aid Administrator Michael Borg on 01788 811732 or email on michael@mborg1953.wanadoo.co.uk.
- **APF** magazines are now available in the porch. Would all promoters and others please collect their packages and return them with monies by Sunday 28 March.
- **St Patrick's Day And Easter Cards** are now on sale in the repository.
- **HCPT (Ratcliffe –Rugby)** group pilgrimage to Lourdes will be from Friday 23 to 30 July 2010. The cost will be £694 including fare, full board and outings whilst there. Please contact Fr Philip if you are interested in going.

## AROUND THE PARISH

**Lent Lunches** – soup, bread, cheese followed by a short reflection. Venues:

**10 March** – Salvation Army, Bennfield Road, West Leys

**17 March** – St Marie's, Dunchurch Road

**24 March** – Rugby Baptist Church, Regent Place.

**Mass To Mark The 30th Anniversary Of The Assassination Of Archbishop Oscar Romero** on Wednesday 24 March at 7pm in St Chad's Cathedral. It will be celebrated by The Right Reverend William Kenney CP. And will be followed by a short talk by CAFOD about the life of Archbishop Romero. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

**Churches Together In Coventry And Warwickshire AGM** will be held on Wednesday 18 March at 7.30pm at Queen's Road Baptist Church, Coventry.

**Father Hudson's Society** will be holding a Sponsored Bike Ride On Monday, 3 May and a Sponsored Walk on Sunday, 27 June, in order to raise funds. If you would like to join one of these events or organise one locally, further information is available: ☎ 01675 434011, email [fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk) or visiting 'events' at [www.fatherhudsons.org.uk](http://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk)



# ST MARIE'S RUGBY

*Served by the Rosminians  
Registered as a Charity*

**Week Starting 6 March 2010**

*Man's weakness; God's mercy*



When we are truly sorry God always forgives us. If we try to excuse our weaknesses he will give us every chance to change; but if we persist in evil we cannot expect him to forgive us. We must neither presume on God's forgiveness by living carelessly, nor doubt it by living in despair.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

My eyes are ever fixed on the Lord, for he releases my feet from the snare. O look at me and be merciful, for I am wretched and alone.

**FIRST READING:** Exodus 3: 1-8. 13-15

### RESPONSE:

The Lord is compassion and love.

**SECOND READING:** First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 10: 1-6. 10-12

### ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Repent, says the Lord,

for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 13: 1-9

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The sparrow even finds a home, the swallow finds a nest wherein to place her young, near to your altars, Lord of Hosts, my King, my God! How happy they who dwell in your house! For ever they are praising you.

### PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION:

Lord,

In sharing this sacrament

may we receive your forgiveness

and be brought together in unity and peace



### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our faults are like a grain of sand beside  
the great mountain of the mercies of God


*St John Vianney*

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Welcome!  
Have you joined us for the first time?  
Please complete a card from the main porch and put it in a collection plate.  
Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Mass

DIARY FOR THE WEEK 6 TO 12 MARCH 2010 

**SATURDAY 6 March: Vigil Mass of Third Sunday of Lent**

Mass at 6pm for Julie and Joseph Mascarenhas RIP.

Retiring Collection for the Cathedral Maintenance Fund

Confessions from 10am to 11am and from 5.30 pm to 5.55 pm

Michael D'Souza's Presentation of his adventure in the World Challenge Expedition in Hibbert's at 7:15 pm

**SUNDAY 7 March: Third Sunday of Lent**

Mass at 10 am for all Parishioners and Con Darcy RIP. Mass at 6 pm for Marino Edloy in thanksgiving

Polish Mass at 12.30 pm

Retiring Collection for the Cathedral Maintenance Fund after all Masses

Confessions 9.30 to 9.45 am

Coffee and tea in the Parish Hall after morning Mass

**MONDAY 8 MARCH: St John of God**

Mass at 10 am for Morgan, Conway and Smart family intentions and at 7 pm for Joe Fricker

Eucharistic Adoration 8 am until 9 pm

Mothers and Toddlers meet in the Parish Hall from 12 noon until 3 pm

**TUESDAY 9 MARCH: St Frances of Rome**

Mass at 10 am for Elizabeth and Joseph Duff

Hospital Mass at 1.30pm in the hospital of St Cross Chapel. Everyone welcome.

**WEDNESDAY 10 MARCH:**

Mass in the Convent at 8 am for Den Harries RIP and at 10 am in Church for Kathleen Haddow

**THURSDAY 11 MARCH:**

Mass at 10 am for Eileen Warburton

Choir practice in Church at 7.45 pm. (New members always welcome)

Six week Creed Lent course based on some 'CaFE' material promoted by the Catholic Evangelisation at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

**FRIDAY 12 MARCH:**

Mass at 10 am for Romanzia Norville

Stations of the Cross at 7 pm in Church

† PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: †

*Giovanni Cefai, David Foot, Mary Lillicrap, Nina Kane, Annie Woodcock, Randolph Netto, Vincent Serdiville, Gerd Buckner, Margaret Pientiak, Charles Wilson, Barbara Lahey.*

† FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED: †

*Michael Joseph Gillam, Eddie Smyth.*

† AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL THIS WEEK: †

IN THE PARISH

- On Mothering Sunday 14 March 2010 at 10.00am all Parishioners, families and friends are invited to a special family Mass during which the mothers and children will receive a special blessing.
- Reconciliation Service and Stations of the Cross on Friday 26 March.
- An Easter Basket will be raffled to raise funds for the Pongwe Mission Fund. Tickets will be on sale from today, 6 March up to 28 March. ☺