

**PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS & ST JOSEPH**

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**PARISH OF SWANAGE**

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Saturday	28 <sup>TH</sup>	6.00 PM	WAREHAM	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Mass Bk p155 Cr p11 Pr Trans p72 EPIII p28
Sunday	1 <sup>ST</sup> MAR	9.00 AM 11.00 AM	SWANAGE WOOL	
Tuesday	3 <sup>RD</sup>		SWANAGE	<b>NO MASS</b>
Wednesday	4 <sup>TH</sup>	10.00AM	WOOL	
Thursday	5 <sup>TH</sup>	10.00 AM	WAREHAM	
Friday	6 <sup>TH</sup>	9.00AM	THE CATHOLIC HALL	
Saturday	7 <sup>TH</sup>	6.00 PM	LULWORTH	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
Sunday	8 <sup>TH</sup>	9.00 AM 11.00 AM	SWANAGE WOOL	

**CONFESSIONS: SWANAGE** : on request (not in church) **WOOL** Wednesday at 10.30am; **WAREHAM: THURSDAY** 10.30 am **LULWORTH/WAREHAM:** before Saturday Vigil Mass or by appointment.

**Please pray** for the sick and housebound: Maureen Lyons, Jackie Riley, Dot Bonfield, Greta Marshallsay, Irena Giusta, Wayne Axon, Fr Jon.

**SWANAGE PRAYER GROUP:** after mass Friday (9. 45 a.m. if no mass) saying the rosary for peace and for other intentions. Contact Pat Lancaster 07917477313.

**ST EDWARD'S WAREHAM ROSARY GROUP:** Thursday evenings 7:30 pm. Contact Vikki Smith 07855166883 [vikki.smith97@gmail.com](mailto:vikki.smith97@gmail.com) for more info or for prayer intentions.

**EXTRA OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER DURING LENT AT WAREHAM:**

Stations of the Cross : Fridays 6pm from 20th Feb - 3rd April.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament : Saturdays 28th Feb and 21st March 9:30 - 10:30am. (7th March 9am-12 as usual).

Church open Sunday afternoons as possible. 'Church open for prayer' signs will be outside church and on Shatters Hill when open.

**WOOL** Social/Coffee at 10.30 Wednesday.

Stations of the Cross at Holy Spirit and St Edward: hopefully starting on SUNDAY MARCH 8TH at 3pm subject to building work progress (and the stations, having been taken down, will need to be put back up) Please volunteer to lead one week. *HOLY HOUR with Adoration, Confessions, Benediction on Palm Sunday.*

Pope's intention for March: For Disarmament And Peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

World Day of Prayer 6th March:

For governments and legislators that they may protect and establish the dignity and equality of women in society.

For all women who follow Christ, may they be guardians and advocates for the seamless garment of life.

CAFOD collection: please put your fast day donation in basket today. Use the envelopes for Gift Aid

CAFOD Lent Lunch: thank you to all supporters, helpers and cooks for making this Lenten almsgiving lunch an enjoyable success.

**LENT STATION MASSES** – with Bishop Nicholas - 27<sup>th</sup> March 7pm at Dorchester. 28<sup>th</sup> March 11am at St Mary's Poole.

Holy Spirit & St Edward QUIZ SATURDAY MARCH 7TH please SIGN UP for the social coffee, cakes and quiz morning in the church hall at 10.00 am for 10:30 am start. £5 per person, please bring CASH! Do invite your friends for a relaxed, enjoyable morning.

The Holy Spirit and St Edward building work: The church will be closed on weekdays; no masses on Tuesdays, mass on Friday 6th March in the hall. The four car parking bays adjacent to the right-hand side of the garage (when facing the presbytery) are reserved for the contractor until the end of their work (hopefully by 15th March). To save extra work and expense, three scaffolding towers are 'parked' at the back of the church on Sunday(s) reducing the available seating. Holes are being drilled from both the outside and inside of the church and there is a risk of some water staining on the church walls even after they have been cleaned by the site staff. Please be patient and careful, the work is essential.

Donations for **MEMORIAL BOOKPLATES** for mass books may be GIFT AIDED: Any donation is your decision – suggested £5 per bookplate. If registered for gift aid, put a donation in an envelope with your name and 'Gift Aid' on it, or in Swanage use the cashless terminal.

**ST EDWARD'S WAREHAM EASTER EGGS** – we are once again collecting Easter Eggs for the children of the food bank. Any size or shape will be gratefully accepted. Last year we received just over 100, which delighted children and parents alike.

**RCIA** – next session will be on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 6pm in the St Edward Room (Swanage)

**LEARNING FROM NEWMAN** Last November, Pope Leo XIV declared **St. John Henry Newman (1801-90) to be a Doctor of the Universal Church**, meaning his wisdom speaks to us today. Newman was a leading Anglican clergyman in Oxford who was received into the Catholic Church in 1845, and later made a Cardinal by Pope Leo XIII. He taught powerfully about the importance of personal dedication and holiness in the everyday lives of lay Christians, as in this famous meditation:

*God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me, which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place while not intending it, if I do but keep His commandments. Therefore, I will trust Him; whatever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends. He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about. (From Meditations and Devotions)*

**MILL HILL MISSIONARIES'** National Novena to St Joseph 10th-18th March: at St' Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Masses daily 10.00am, Sunday 11.00am available to follow on You Tube, via the Mill Hill website: [www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena](http://www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena) . Prayer booklet available on request (donation suggested) [novenamhm@gmail.com](mailto:novenamhm@gmail.com). See the website for more information.

**POPE LEO XIV** After the Angelus 22 February 2026: Four years have passed since the beginning of the war against Ukraine. My heartfelt thoughts remain focused on the tragic situation unfolding before the eyes of the whole world: so many victims, so many lives and families shattered, such immense destruction, such unspeakable suffering! Every war is truly a wound inflicted upon the entire human family; it leaves in its wake death, devastation and a trail of pain that marks generations.

Peace cannot be postponed. It is an urgent necessity that must find a home in our hearts and be translated into responsible decisions. For this reason, I renew my heartfelt appeal: let the weapons fall silent, let the bombings cease, let an immediate ceasefire be reached, and let dialogue be strengthened to pave the way toward peace.

I invite everyone to join in prayer for the embattled people of Ukraine and for all those who suffer due to this war and every conflict in the world, that the long-awaited gift of peace may shine upon our days.