PARISH OF BLESSED EDMUND SYKES

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3rd SUNDAY OF LENT (YR B) 11th MARCH 2012

Welcome to our Parish Celebration of the Holy Eucharist



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday St. Nicholas 6.00pm Margaret & John Daniel Sunday St. Nicholas 9.30am The People of the Parish Our Lady's 11.00am Life Group Intentions

OFFERTORY COLLECTION LAST WEEK

St. Nicholas & Our Lady's £1128.66 Thank you for your generosity



DURING THE WEEK

Monday St. Nicholas 9.00am Harry Batt
Tuesday Our Lady's 9.00am Peter Martin & Pina
Wednesday St. Nicholas 9.00am Kittie Mulchinock
Thursday Our Lady's 10.30am Requiem for Joseph Mulkeen RIP
Friday St. Nicholas 8.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.00am Joyce Green7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday No morning Mass

Confessions 5.00 to 5.45pm and at other times by request

Vigil Mass St. Nicholas 6.00pm John Bowman

NEXT WEEKEND retiring collection for Catholic Care

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

6.00pm M. Doyle, M. Martin 9.30am W. Whitelow, J. Scanlon, S. Fitzsimmons 11.00am S. Lambert, M. Sykes, B. Robinson

READERS

6.00pm H. Scullin 9.30am S. Perkins 11.00am D. Graves, H, Bryson

TODAY WE WELCOME our First Holy Communion children and their parents to the 9.30am Mass.

AT MASSES THIS WEEKEND we receive a letter from Archbishops Vincent Nichols and Peter Smith on behalf of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales. It is a statement of our Catholic faith about marriange and issued in the light of the forthcoming consultation by the Government on changing the legal definition of marriage. In the light of this letter, you are asked to consider signing the Coalition for Marriage's online petition. It reads: 'I support the legal definition of marriage which is the voluntary union for life of one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others. I oppose any attempt to redefine it'. After Easter there will be a more detailed leaflet on the Government's consultation itself for distribution in parishes, to assist Catholics in making their own response to the consultation.

<u>LITURGY MEETING</u> - There was a very good repsonse on Tuesday evening. There will be a Penitential Service in St. Nicholas on Tuesday 3^{rd} April at 7.00pm.

<u>GIPTON CHURCHES TOGETHER LENTEN LUNCH</u> at St. Nicholas on Tuesday (13th) at 12.30pm. Please come along and meet our friends from The Epiphany and Methodist Churches.

THANK YOU for a very generous donation received of £500 for parish funds.

<u>CONFIRMATION 2012</u> - Preparation for Confirmation will begin in the near future. Young people 13 years or older wishing to take part in the preparation should see Fr. Eugene and put their name and address on the list in the sacristy.

<u>CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SEACROFT</u> - This week on Tuesday 13^{th} March Seacroft Methodist Church, York Rd. at 2.00pm & St. James', Seacroft Green at 7.30pm. There are leaflets at the back of church with all the details.

<u>ST NICHOLAS LOURDES FUND</u> Coffee Event $24th/26^{th}$ March. All the usual stalls. We would be grateful for Bric-a-Brac and of course baking for the cake stall - if you want to get started now we can freeze it !!!.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK - Lately Dead: Peter Carr, John McAndrew, Tom Flynn, John Bowman (3), Kittie Mulchinock (2), Anniversaries: Martin Hughes, Tommie Mulligan, Ellen & Michael Gaughan, Wynne Glancy, Marie & Anne Pitts Eleanor & Frank Sibson. Also for: Maureen Murphy, Maureen Groves, Life Group Intentions, Patrick Booth.

300 CLUB - £20 249 B. Patterson: £10 92 T. Halliday: £5 27 H. Ibbotson: £5 141 M. O'Toole

Thought for the week
Treasure your time;
don't spend it, invest it.

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