

# The Roman Catholic Parishes of Old Hall Green, Puckeridge & Buntingford

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The Fourth Sunday of Lent

10 March 2024

## Mass Times for the Week commencing 9-17 March 2024

All Masses will take place in the parish church of St Richard of Chichester, Buntingford.

### Saturday 9 March 2024

Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Lent

6.00pm: The People of the Parish

### Sunday 10 March 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

9.15am: Barbara Hickford  
10th Anniversary

11.00am: The People of the Parish

12.15pm: First Holy Communion Prep

### Saturday 16 March 2024

Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent

6.00pm: Bridget Arthur &  
Walter Jeffery, Anniversary

### Sunday 17 March 2024

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.15am: Marian Brzozowski  
6th Anniversary

11.00am: The People of the Parish

12.15pm: First Holy Communion Prep



## ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25 May 2024 at 2:30pm. The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the

Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please contact the parish office with the following details **before 12 April**— husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**—We will be praying the Stations of The Cross at St Richard's every Friday at 7.00pm followed by a time of adoration. There are two more sessions: 15th March and 22nd March. Please do come along.

**GOOD FRIDAY**—Come and join us in a public witness to our faith as we pray the Stations of the Cross with our Anglican brothers and sisters outside St Peter's Church at 11.00am on Friday 29th March.

**MASS INTENTIONS**—If you have previously booked a mass intention, or would like a mass offered for an intention, please write the details on an envelope along with your offering and hand it in at the sacristy after mass.

**VOLUNTEERS**—There are many practical ways that we can work together to support our parish community: we need support with laundry, gardening, music, reading, and serving refreshments at Sunday morning mass. Please speak to Deacon Paul, or email the parish office, if you would like to help.

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS**—Please join us in Benson Hall for tea and coffee after the 9.15am mass on Sunday. If you attend the 11.00 mass, you are invited to come early so that you can join us before mass. We look forward to seeing you there.

**CAFOD 200K WALK FOR LENT**—Fr Tony Convery will be doing the Lent Walk for CAFOD this year and would be glad if you could sponsor him. Donations can be made through his fundraising page at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/fr-tonys-fundraising-page>.

**DECORATE THE CHURCH**—We invite you to join a team preparing the church for the morning mass on Easter Sunday. Please come along to the church at 10.00m on Saturday 30th March to help with flowers and greenery, and make other practical preparations.

**THE CARDINAL'S LENTEN APPEAL**— Please make a donation to support the diocesan services for marriage, family life, and young people, and the work of Caritas to support all those who are in need. You can give online at [rcdow.org.uk/cardinals-appeal/](https://rcdow.org.uk/cardinals-appeal/)

**DEEPENING THE MYSTERY**— You are invited to an exhibition of works from the Methodist Modern Art Collection between 2 March—7 April at Focolare Centre for Unity 69 Parkway, Welwyn Garden City AL8 6JG. Free admission.

**VOCATIONS 'COME AND SEE' - 2024**—If interested in exploring the Priesthood or Permanent Diaconate, you are invited to come along to one of our 'Come & See' Vocations Mornings on: Sat 16 March, 10am-2pm at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, Westminster or Sat 20 April, 10am-2pm at Our Lady and St Vincent church hall, 243 Mutton Lane, Potters Bar EN6 2AT. Refreshments provided. For more information and to register please contact Canon Roger Taylor Vocations Promoter [rogertaylor@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:rogertaylor@rcdow.org.uk) or Deacon Adrian Cullen - Director Permanent Diaconate [adriancullen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:adriancullen@rcdow.org.uk) 07961 594725.



*MARY, Mother of Jesus, you were Jesus' gift for us from the Cross. He gave you to us as our Mother. Intercede for all our needs.*

## A Prayer Offering to the Holy Child.

O Dear, sweet Infant Jesus. I offer You: my will, that You strengthen it; my mind, that You inspire it; my memory, that You fill it; my wishes and desires, that You cleanse them. I sacrifice to You: my intentions, that You guide them; my trouble and my labour, that You bless them; all my inner and outer activities, that You make them sacred. All I am and all I have is Yours. Your love for me is my hope and my trust. Hear me and grant that I may never leave You. Amen