

Entrance antiphon:

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

Psalm response:

The Lord is compassion and love.

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 !

The Apostles Creed is on page 8.

Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary,
that it is a thing unheard of,
that anyone ever had recourse to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession,
and was left forsaken.
Filled, therefore, with confidence in your goodness,
I fly to you, O Mother, Virgin of Virgins.
To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner.
Despise not my poor words. O Mother of the Word of God,
but graciously hear and grant my prayer. Amen.

To conclude the Bidding Prayers:

We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have gained for us,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for us.
Most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother,
may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly
and follow you more nearly. Amen.

Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young
by your altars, O lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house
for ever singing your praise.



Roman Catholic Parish of St Michael Sonning Common

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24th March 2019

Third Sunday of Lent



Should he cut down the fig tree or give it another chance ?

Welcome: If you are a visitor or new to the parish, we welcome you warmly.

Thank you for last week's **offertory collection:** Standing orders: **£377**; Non-Gift Aid : **£175.80** Gift Aid : **£125.00** Total : **£677.80**

There will be a second collection this week for CAFOD Lent fast

Our Lenten charity this year is CIRDIC: Churches-in-Reading-Drop-in-Centre

Maundy Thursday - 18th April — We are looking for volunteers to watch at the altar of repose for half an hour up until 10pm. A list to sign up can be found at the back of the church.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mondays at 7.30pm at Our Lady and St Anne's, Caversham. Lenten talks focussing on **The Creed: our profession of Christian faith.**

Thursdays from 21st March until 12th April at 7.30pm — Lenten talks at **Sacred Heart in Henley** focussing on **The Eucharist.**

Wednesday 27th March 7.00 pm **What's it like to work in the Vatican?**

Wednesday April 3rd, 7pm Passover Supper—in St Michael's Church Hall. Tickets available after all masses from the sacristy—please also sign the dietary requirement sheet at the back of church once you have purchased your tickets

Saturday, 13th April, Easter Flower Arranging Workshop 9.30am — midday. Please phone Eveline Dodd 0118 9472899 or Janice Halter 0118 9474241 for more details or to sign up.

Saturday, 13th April, 10.30am. The Big Church Clean - do join us for the annual Church clean. Please see the sign up sheet at the back of Church.

Tuesday 16th April ,after the 12pm Mass **Snack and Chat Lunch** - Soup and cake served from 12.30pm

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

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Vigil	5.30 pm	Jacqui Osz
Sunday	9.00 am	People of the Parish
	10.30 am	Victims of the cyclone in Africa
Monday	9.30 am	South Sudan
	7.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday	12.00 pm	Syria
Wednesday	9.30 am	Yemen
Thursday	12.00 pm	Ukraine
Friday	9.30 am	Vocations to the Priesthood

Fourth Sunday of Lent

31st March 2019

Vigil	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00 am	Mothers
	10.30 am	Dec'd Cotter & O'Shea families.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 10.00 -10.30am and 4.45 - 5.15pm Or at any time on request.

Please remember the sick in your prayers

Michael Coulehan, Christopher Hicks, Veronica Parker, Clarina Rodrigues, Maddy Sharman, Ron van Bree (Brother of Eveline Dodd), Helen Williams.

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