

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KING'S LYNN

The Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation

London Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk. PE30 5HQ.

and

Holy Family Church

Field Lane, Gaywood, King's Lynn, Norfolk. PE30 1AY



**KEEPING IN TOUCH
WITH
FR. GORDON ADAM**

Thursday April 08, 2021

Dear All

As ever, I hope and pray that this finds you well and happily occupied.

It would appear that somebody has forgotten to tell the weather that it is now both Spring and Easter. The winter weather is clearly reluctant to loosen its grip on us. Earlier in the week I found myself dog walking wearing a t-shirt, sweatshirt, body warmer and winter weight anorak, and still the wind seemed to cut straight through me!

Nevertheless, we have had a splendid celebration of the Easter Triduum with Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday full to our safe number capacity. The additional Masses on Easter Sunday were certainly needed and well attended. A huge thank you is due to those who assisted with preparations for liturgies, flowers, music, and not least to those who minister by stewarding at services to help keep everybody safe and compliant with current requirements.



The Altar of Repose in Our Lady's on Maundy Thursday

This week we treat each day as if it were Easter Day itself until next Sunday (The "Easter Octave") This means that every day this week is a Feast Day, and on Friday the normal rule of Friday abstinence is dispensed – so bacon rolls all round for breakfast! This coming Sunday, the second Sunday of Easter, is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

You can read more about the "Divine Mercy" devotion here:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Divine_Mercy_Sunday

Please now tell us what your plans are for attending Mass on Sunday. As usual, please send an e-mail to parishpriest763@gmail.com , copied to gordonadam1962@btinternet.com , telling us which Mass you plan to attend and how many people there are in your household / bubble group. Please try to let us know by lunchtime on Saturday. Please remember that there are two Masses on Sunday morning (9.30 and 11.30), so just stating "Sunday" does not tell us which Mass you plan to assist at! The YouTube link for the live-stream of the 11.30 Mass is <https://youtu.be/WDaBbJQq6SQ> .



*Holy Family Church on
Good Friday after the
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion*

There is no "T3" (The Thursday Talks) talk this evening, but they will resume next week on Thursday 15th April. That will see the beginning of a new series of talks on the history of the Parish. This is a "curtain-raiser" for the 125th Anniversary of the Shrine and present church next year. This week: "The beginnings – St. Felix and Bishop Losinga". There will be 10 talks in the series which will conclude in June.

Many of you will have come across Fr Tim Bugby who was with us both last Christmas and for the Easter Triduum this year. He, like me, is a priest of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham and he is now "retired" (in as much as you can ever retire from being a priest!). Next week, he will at long last realise his plans to move from his little village just outside Cromer to King's Lynn, and he will move to his new home in Guanock Terrace next Tuesday. I guarantee you will rarely have met a collector like him. Vestments, relics, glass domes, writing boxes..... - I expect he will be selling tickets for guided tours in due course when it is all sorted out and organised!! I am sure you will make him welcome here. He is not formally joining the clergy team, but I am sure he will be helping us out from time to time as necessary.



*Witnessing to the world
in the Wigglesworth Room window
on London Road*

Finally, for those of you looking forward to hairdressers and barbers re-opening next week.....



Carry on taking good care of yourselves and those you live with.

May Our Lady pray for you, and may God bless you.

Fr Gordon



*The font in Our Lady's
decorated in readiness for
the Easter Vigil*

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