ST MICHAEL & ST GEORGE

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Sunday, 18th March 2018
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B
Mass Intention: Richard Crombie RIP

Hymns for today:

Entrance Hymn:	**827**	***Mass Settings for today:***			
Offertory Hymn:	**877**	**Kyrie:**	**M21**	**Acclamation:**	**M37(2)**
Communion Hymn:	**750**	**Gloria:**	**None**	**Great Amen:**	**M38**
Recessional Hymn:	**849**	**Sanctus:**	**M35**	**Agnus Dei:**	**M20**

WELCOME
For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.
There will be a Children's Liturgy today. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, may be found hanging on the chairs at the back of church to be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace after use.
After Mass refreshments are served at the back of the Cathedral.

COLLECTIONS
The plate collection for last Sunday was **£284.72.**

MINISTRIES TODAY

Celebrant:	Fr Stephen Sharkey
Readers:	Mrs E Haddon; Mrs S Cole
Extraordinary Minister	Mrs P Beal; Mrs G Edwards;
of Holy Communion:	Mrs J Hall; Mr A Howard
Welcome Team:	Mrs P McLachlan; Mrs P Ryan
Children's Liturgy:	Mrs P Ryan

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Mon 19th Mar:	*St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
	1200hrs – Holy Mass
	Fostering agencies, parents and children
Wed 21st Mar:	*Lenten Feria Week 5*
	1145hrs – Midday Prayer & Angelus
	1200hrs – Holy Mass
	Joseph Boateng RIP
	2000hrs – Knights of St Columba: Rosary & Benediction
Sat 24th Mar:	*Lenten Feria Week 5*
	1200hrs – Holy Baptism: George O'Hare

MINISTRIES FOR SUNDAY, 25th MARCH 2018

Readers:	Mrs G Edwards; Mrs E Haddon
Extraordinary Minister	Mr E Baldwin; Mrs J Hall;
of Holy Communion:	Mr A Howard; Mr J Thompson
Welcome Team:	Mrs A Gosnell; Mrs G Hyman
Children's Liturgy:	Mrs P Rossiter

PRAYER INTENTIONS
Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions.

LENTEN RAFFLE
Today is the final chance to view prizes and purchase tickets as the draw will take place after Mass.

DEEP GRATITUDE
Many thanks to all who participated in the preparations for, and celebration of, the Women's World Day of Prayer that was hosted in the Cathedral the week before last. In addition, it was a delight and a joy to see so many people at Mass last weekend for Mothering Sunday, and a special vote of thanks to the team of ladies who prepared the beautiful bunches of flowers for the occasion. Many expressions of appreciation have been received.

PRAYING TOGETHER
The Cathedral will host the Knights of St Columba this Wednesday, 21st March at 2000hrs for their monthly gathering of reciting the Rosary and celebrating Benediction. All are welcome to join them.

SPECIAL BLESSING
This year's Bishopric Chrism Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Crispian Hollis this Thursday, 22nd March at 1100hrs in the chapel at Amport House, AFCC, Near Andover. SP11 8BG. Lunch is available afterwards; please add your name to the list.

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY
The next Alton Day of Renewal will take place from 1100hrs next Saturday, 24th March at Alton Convent School, GU34 2NG. The theme is 'Living Kingdom Values' with further details on the noticeboard and at: www.altonrenewal.com

SPRING CLEAN
The annual sprucing-up of the Cathedral in preparation for the Easter festivities will take place on Tuesday, 27th March from 1000hrs. A sandwich lunch will be provided for all who sign-up.

ADVANCE WARNING
Greenwich Mean Time comes to an end at 0100hrs next Sunday, 25th March, so clocks should be put **FORWARD** one hour before you go to bed in order that you don't miss Mass!

SPONSORED EATING
A team of volunteers will be cooking breakfast in aid of the Mercy Ships on Saturday, 7th April in St Joseph's Church Hall, Aldershot. The cost is £5 and all profits go to this worthwhile cause, details of which may be seen at: www.mercyships.org.uk

AND FINALLY …
… going to church doesn't make you a Christian, any more than going to McDonalds makes you a hamburger!

With every blessing
Fr Nick