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Sunday, 10th March 2019

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C

Mass Intention: Anna & Jaroslav Krywoj RIP

Entrance Hymn: 206

Offertory Hymn: 180

Communion Hymn: 952

Recessional Hymn: 964

Kyrie: M13

Gloria: None

Sanctus: M15

Acclamation: M18

Great Amen: M19

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 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 Sunday, 24th February was **£323.97** and that for last Sunday was **£282.10**.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Readers: Mr B McMahon; Ms C Collis

Extraordinary Ministers: Mr D Beal; Mrs N Francis-Crerar;
Col A Gillham; Mrs C Pritchard

Welcome Team: Mr D Beal; Mrs M Casey

Children's Liturgy: Mrs P Ryan

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tue 12th Mar: *Feria of Lent, Week 1*
1830hrs – Holy Mass
Penitents and Wanderers

Wed 13th Mar: *Feria of Lent, Week 1*
1145hrs – Midday Prayer & Angelus
1200hrs – Holy Mass
The Needy and Hungry of the World

Fri 15th Mar: *Feria of Lent, Week 1*
1200hrs – Stations of the Cross

MINISTRIES FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 17th MARCH 2019

Readers: Mrs G Edwards; Mrs S Cole

Extraordinary Ministers: Mrs P Beal; Mrs P Brooks;
Mr A Howard; Mr J Thompson

Welcome Team: Mrs K Booth; Mrs P Brooks

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, together with those preparing to receive the sacraments at this time.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

As at all other times of the year, the local Food Bank needs help to provide for those who are struggling to feed themselves and their families. Financial donations may be made to Mary Casey who will purchase the items identified as being most needed.

CELEBRATING FAITH

Nearly 9,000 young Catholics from across the country attended the FLAME 2019 youth event last weekend. The theme this year was #Significance, and speakers and performers focussed on the theme of each person's life being unique and special to God. See details and a video at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/36639

PAPAL COMMUNICATION

Pope Francis has made an impassioned plea on screen, calling on people to pray for persecuted Christians. In the video recording, released the start of Lent, the Holy Father begins: 'It might be hard for us to believe but there are more martyrs today than in the first centuries. They are persecuted because they speak the truth and proclaim Jesus Christ to this society.' The full sixty second video may be seen at: www.acnuk.org/news/vatican-city-pope-video-calls-for-prayer-for-persecuted-christians/

LENT COURSE

A series of sessions during Lent, following the usual format of Mass at 1830hrs and the class at 1900hrs, will begin this week on Tuesday, 12th March. Please indicate your interest to attend, and assist logistics, by completing the form at the back of church.

CHARITABLE ABSTINENCE

This Friday, 15th March, is the Lent CAFOD Family Fast Day. Next Sunday there will be a Special Collection in support of this vital mission. Details at: www.cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Fast-Day

MUSICAL EVENING

Hart Voices will perform a concert of Romantic Choral Music in the Cathedral this Saturday, 16th March at 1930hrs. Details are on the noticeboard and tickets may be purchased from Jackie White or through: www.ticketsource.co.uk/hartvoices

PURCHASING POWER

A one day only 50% sale of Repository (minus Easter) items will take place next Sunday, 17th March.

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY

The next Alton Day of Renewal will take place in Alton School, Anstey Lane, GU34 2NG on Saturday, 23rd March. The theme will be 'The Power of Prayer – praying to make a difference in the world'. Details on the noticeboard and at: www.altonrenewal.com

AND FINALLY ...

... remember, it's better to bite your tongue than to eat your words.

With every blessing
Fr Nick