



# Mother of Good Counsel Church, Clare Priory

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Mass times: Weekdays 10.00am. Saturday 10.00am and Vigil 5.30pm. Sunday 8.00am and 10.00am  
Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 4.30 to 5.15pm or available any time by appointment

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025**

✦ **Prayers requested:** William Marston, David Sowerby and Teresa Vitoria-Sowerby, Felicie Parsley, Paul MacGowan, Sheila Graham, Dorothy Mudge, Jim Coe, Trefor Williams, Billy Burnie, Larry and Sarah Cullen, Deacon Tony Ranzetta, Tony Sheppard, Antony Hackett-Jones, Mary Nash, Jason Parker, Laurent Dohagon, Peter Simpson, Sarah Ince, Jenny Ince, Mary Croly, Margaret Foreman, Kevin Dalton, John Mehan.

Alan Parsley died on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February. Please pray for Felicie and their family. Alan will be received into the church on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 4.00pm and his Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10 o'clock.

✦ **Last Sunday's Collection:** £628.60

✦ **Ash Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March: Mass at 7.00pm**

✦ **Seating in the church:** Some of our parishioners need chairs with arms to aid with sitting down and getting up. As there are a limited number of chairs with arms please only use them if necessary. The chair with arms near the entrance doors should remain there please.

✦ **Parish Register:** Our present register is getting out of date and so we ask you all to please pick up and complete a new information form. Please return the completed forms to the box provided.

✦ **How are you preparing for Lent?** Come to "Don't forget the Holy Spirit", a day of renewal at **St Laurence's Church, Milton Road, Cambridge. 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 10:00 – 16:00** with Guest speakers Fr Matt Anscombe & Caroline Sadd.

The day includes Mass (10:30), praise & worship, inspiring talks, real-life accounts of transformation, reconciliation, exposition & prayer ministry. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be available. For more information email: [renewaleastanglia@gmail.com](mailto:renewaleastanglia@gmail.com) or phone Pam Smith: 07869652115

✦ **Readers at the 10 o'clock Mass.** Rather than you needing to sign up we will shortly be introducing a rota. We will let you know as soon as this is prepared. **There is no change to the 5.30pm and 8.00am system – please continue to sign-up.**

✦ There is a vacancy for a Headteacher at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Peterborough. Please see Diocesan Website for more details: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/schools/school-vacancies/>

✦ **Fr Anthony Foreman:** On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March Fr Anthony will be celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his Ordination. There will be a Mass at midday at Our Lady Immaculate & St Etheldreda church, Newmarket, to which we are all invited.

✦ **Join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk in the Jubilee Year**

You are invited to join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and journey together with Catholics in England, Wales and Scotland as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year - walking 200km over 40 days during Lent. Journey to one of the churches or shrines designated as places of pilgrimage in our diocese as part of your Big Lent Walk. Every £1 you raise will support communities like Lokho's in Kenya, experiencing the worst impact of the climate crisis, to rebuild their lives in hope. Sign up here: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

✦ **Future major events:**

**Pilgrimage Day: Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

**Craft Fair Weekend: 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> July**

As you know, at both of these events we serve refreshments ..... you'll know what's coming next! It's never too early to start baking cakes to help with this and so any time you wish to bring cakes in we have plenty of room in the freezers. We are always very grateful for your help and support in providing a wonderful selection of cakes.

**Retreats at Clare Priory:**

**March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>:** Icons for beginners. Led by Annette Ashton

**March 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>:** Tetelestai – "it is finished". Charismatic retreat led by Fr Gladson

**March 18<sup>th</sup>:** Way of Silence Day – Led by Dr Mark Chambers

**March 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>:** Spring Walking led by Mary Handforth

**April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>:** Icons for beginners. Led by Annette Ashton

**April 25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup>:** He is Risen. Charismatic retreat led by Fr Gladson

**May 23-25<sup>th</sup>:** Retreat for Men. Courage: Keep Your Guard Up! (1 Corinthians 13:13) Led by Fr Gladson

**June 20-22<sup>nd</sup>** Retreat for Ladies. Perfected in Love (1 Jn. 4:8) Led by Fr Gladson