

# Mother of Good Counsel Church, Clare Priory

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3<sup>rd</sup> week of Lent - 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Holy Triduum Mass times: Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday normal times.**

**Maundy Thursday 7.30pm Holy Saturday 7.30pm**

✦ **Prayers requested:** William Marston, Teresa Vitoria-Sowerby, Felicie Parsley, Paul MacGowan, Sheila Graham, Dorothy Mudge, Jim Coe, Trefor Williams, Billy Burnie, Larry and Sarah Cullen, Antony Hackett-Jones, Mary Nash, Laurent Dohagon, John Mehan, Lynn Hockley, Juliet Streeter, Joss de Groot, Pat Bampton, Erik Borthwick, Arlette Sell, Philip Poels, Tom Lowe, Francis Wayman.

✦ **THIS Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Liturgy Meeting in the Church after the 10 o'clock Mass.** Anyone who has an opinion or is interested in what we are doing over the Easter Triduum is welcome to attend this meeting and also for anything to do with our daily parish life.

✦ **Last Sunday's Collection:** £2339.00

Thank you for your generosity.

✦ **Reconciliation/Confession** will be offered at all Masses on the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> March.

✦ New Eucharistic Ministers will be sworn in at the Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass and our current Eucharist Ministers will renew their commitment at that Mass. Please let Fr George know if you cannot attend.

✦ On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March Fr George will meet with the new Ministers to go through some basic training with them. If anyone else would like to come along for a refresher course feel free to do so.

✦ **First Communion will take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June for people aged 7 to 8 years old.** If you think you know of someone who is eligible please talk to their families and get them to talk to Fr George as your child will need a level of Catechesis (teaching).

✦ **Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday at 3.00pm during Lent we will celebrate the Stations of the Cross in the old Church.

✦ **Student Appeal:** As there was some confusion last weekend about the Bank details there will be another opportunity **this weekend** when there will be amended forms for completion and the collection box will be out again.

✦ **CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day**

Your donation to CAFOD can help families around the world grow food in challenging conditions. Collect a CAFOD envelope or donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.



Scan this QR code to link to the CAFOD donations page

✦ **CAFOD has a project, The Big Lent Walk, to raise funds for life-saving water.**

The aim is to be sponsored to walk 200km in 40 days, which could be just 5kms a day. Details on how to sign up are on the CAFOD website. Another way to support the essential work of ensuring safe water for those who are without. *Robert Cash with his dog Gwen is currently on this mission to do the Big Lent Walk running up to Easter. A sponsorship form is on the table by the poster. Please sign up if you can! Thank you. Maybe you can be the second person to take up the challenge??*

✦ **Inviting ALL young people in Year 8 upwards to the Ignite Festival 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

Come and experience your faith in a dynamic way at the Ignite Festival! The weekend will include inspiring talks, passionate prayer, live music, and lots of fun stuff! Followed by the opportunity to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Bank Holiday Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May. See [www.ignitefestival.co.uk](http://www.ignitefestival.co.uk) for more information. Book before March 30<sup>th</sup> for Early Bird Prices!

✦ **Readers at the 5.30pm Mass:** Please begin to sign-up on the new sheets at the entrance to the church.

✦ There is also a separate sheet covering the Easter Triduum.

*Retreats at Clare Priory*

**March 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>** Spring Walking Retreat led by Mary Handforth. **Lots of places available even if you would like to come for just a day.**

**March 17<sup>th</sup>** Way of Silence Day

**March 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>** “Redeemed” Eph 1:7\*

**April 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>** “Revive” Ps 85:6\*

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