



**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF EAST ANGLIA**  
**2026 Diocesan Jubilee**  
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**ST. LUKE'S CATHOLIC PARISH**

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**8<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (Yr A/II Ps 3)**

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Website: [st-johnhenrynewman.org.uk](http://st-johnhenrynewman.org.uk)  
**OFSTED 2025 - OUTSTANDING!**

**DIARY**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

9.30am Most Holy Rosary  
10.30am First Holy Communion Class  
1pm Zimbabwean Community Mass *Priests Ints.*  
5-5.45pm Confession  
6pm Vigil Mass of Sunday *Deceased of the McArdle & Deighan Families+*

**8<sup>th</sup> Mar THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

9am Sung Mass *Pro Populo*  
10.30am Children's Mass *Mgr. Peter Leeming+*  
12noon Sung Mass *Mary (ill)*  
2pm Nigerian Community Mass *Priests Ints.*  
*(Sorry, No Sunday Prayer Group)*

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

10am Silent Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament  
10.30am Church Cleaning – All Welcome!  
7pm Lectio Divina  
7pm Men's Fellowship & Bible Study

**Tue 10<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

12noon Most Holy Rosary  
12.30pm Holy Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*  
6pm Adoration & Divine Mercy Devotions  
7pm RCIA

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

10am Most Holy Rosary  
10.30am Holy Mass *Andrew Mulligan+*  
12noon Funeral Mass – Luigi Santoro+  
7pm Women's Group & Fellowship

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

12noon Most Holy Rosary  
12.30pm Holy Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*  
1pm Lunches & Social Time  
6.30pm Junior Choir Practice  
7.45pm Music Group Practice

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

10am Most Holy Rosary  
10.30am Holy Mass *Holy Priests & Vocations*  
11-11.30 Adoration & Benediction of the  
Blessed Sacrament – Latin  
12noon Memorial Mass – Andrew Mulligan+  
6.30pm Confirmation Class  
7.30pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Mar – Lent Feria**

9.30am Most Holy Rosary  
10.30am First Holy Communion Confession  
12noon Baptisms  
5-5.45pm Confession  
6pm Vigil Mass of Sunday *Holy Priests & Vocations*

**15<sup>th</sup> Mar FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Laetare Sunday**

9am Sung Mass *Conor Kinlan+*  
10.30am Children's Mass *Pro Populo*  
12noon Sung Mass *Jane Henry+*  
1pm Lithuanian Catechesis  
*(Sorry, No Sunday Prayer Group)*

**Papal Prayer Intention for March  
For disarmament and peace**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**National Cycle of Prayer**

For Peace on Earth; Christian Unity; Openness to the Word of God; Victims of Trafficking; The Sick & Those who Care for Them; The Unemployed.



For the next three weeks of our journey through Lent, we will be invited to reflect on three important spiritual symbols of our faith, namely water, light, and life. Our companions along the way will be the woman at the well, the man born blind, and Lazarus. Each of these people epitomises a certain aspect of human need. Each also exhibits a fundamental disposition towards God which every believer is called to emulate. By sharing in their encounters with Jesus, each of us will be invited to identify within ourselves those same basic human needs and find remedy for them in God.

The gospel proclaims to us today that it is Jesus Christ who quenches our deepest, driest thirst. But for Jesus to give meaning to our ultimate longings in life, we have to make a decision in our hearts to follow him. That internal decision has to be given expression externally in the concrete choices we make in our daily lives. All of us grow into faith in Jesus in stages, just as the Samaritan woman did. Each stage involves a decision to continue searching and seeking for God in our lives.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

7.30pm every Friday in Lent & led by parish groups:

March 13<sup>th</sup>: Men's Group/Rcia

March 20<sup>th</sup>: Choir/Musicians

March 27<sup>th</sup>: Nigerian Community

April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Good Friday Solemn Stations

5pm Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Mar School Stations of the Cross in Church

**PETERBOROUGH FOODBANK**

Please place donated non-perishable food in the entrance hall box. Urgently needed: Instant Mash Potato, Long Life Fruit Juice, UHT Semi-Skinned Milk, Bottles of Squash, Toilet Rolls, Tinned Meat & Packets/Tins of Soup.

**MENS FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Our fellowship and study group for all men in the parish continues this Monday 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in St. Luke's to reflect on 'The God who speaks'. All welcome.

**WOMENS FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Lenten reflections continue this Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm . All welcome.

**ANNA LOVE TAYLOR INTERNATIONALLY  
ACCLAIMED SINGER AND MUSICIAN**

A concert of contemporary Christian Music 7.30pm Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at St Luke's. Pay at the door £10 - cash or card (under 14s free) and money raised will go to complete the purchase of the new Church organ. All are invited to enjoy complimentary light refreshments after the concert.

**INVITING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IN YEAR 8  
UPWARDS TO THE IGNITE FESTIVAL**

2nd-3<sup>rd</sup> May: Experience your faith in a dynamic way with a weekend including 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. Early Bird Prices before 30<sup>th</sup> March!

**NEXT DATES FOR CATECHESIS**

First Holy Communion 10.30am Sat 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Teenage Confirmation 6.30pm Fri 13<sup>th</sup> March.

RCIA Adults 7pm Tue 10<sup>th</sup> March.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

10.30am Sat 28<sup>th</sup> March - Church Spring Clean

29<sup>th</sup> March - Palm Sunday

11.30am Chrism Mass - Cathedral Norwich

2nd-4<sup>th</sup> April Sacred Paschal Triduum

7pm Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper

3pm Good Friday - Solemn Liturgy

8pm Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

1pm Easter Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April - Buffet Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Children's Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Corpus Christi Procession

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June - International Mass & Food Festival

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Seniors Garden Party

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Fayre

11.30am Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate - Richard Rahim - Cathedral Norwich

**PARKING**

Only in the 4 rows between the blue signs and the church building. Otherwise park in the road or at the shops.

*Coffee, tea & juice are served at St Luke's at the back of church after Sunday 9am & 10.30am Mass. All welcome, please make a donation if you can.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF:**

Luigi Santoro+ Funeral Mass

12noon Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March

Andrew Mulligan+ Memorial Mass

12noon Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

Rita Zirpolo+ Funeral Mass

11.30am Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Jane Henry+ Peterborough Crematorium

2pm Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

Conor Kinlan+ t.b.c.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.