

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 18th March, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Lent

FEAST DAYS

Monday 19th March St. Joseph - Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Joseph lived in the 1st Century. Foster-Father of Christ and husband of Mary, nothing is known of his life except that reported in the gospels. According to the apocryphal writings he was an old man when betrothed to Mary although his role of protector of the Holy Family makes this unlikely. Devotion to him spread slowly and in the West is due mainly to the influence of St Theresa Of Jesus in the 16th Century. He is patron of the Universal Church, fathers, bursars, carpenters, manual labourers and of a Holy death.

Friday 23rd March St. Turibius

Turibius (1538 - 1606) was born in Mayorga (Spain) and worked for many years as a professor of law at Salamanca. In 1580, even though still a layman, he was appointed Archbishop of Lima (Peru) where, after being ordained, he did much to consolidate ecclesiastical discipline and champion the rights of indigenous people.

Sunday 25th March Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 17th	5:30pm	Mass - John Key RIP	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 18th	10:00am 5:15pm 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Stations of the Cross Mass (EF) - Private Intention (Oleksik)	
Monday 19th	9:30am 7:30pm	Mass - Special Intention (Duhig) Rosary & Benediction	
Tuesday 20th	9:30am	Mass - Holy Souls	
Wednesday 21st	9:30am	Mass - Special Intention (Duhig)	
Thursday 22nd	8:00am	Mass - Holy Souls	
Friday 23rd	9:30am 2:30pm	Mass - Michael Ford RIP Mass - (HMP Drake Hall) For the sick	
Saturday 24th	5:30pm	Mass - Holy Souls	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 25th	10:00am 5:15pm 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Stations of the Cross Mass (EF) - Private Intention (Duhig)	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* After all Masses
on request

- ❖ **THIS MONDAY** is the Feast of St Joseph, Husband of Our Lady and Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the Feast, there will be Rosary & Benediction in church at 7.30pm, during which the new members of our Foundation of the Union of Catholic Mothers will be enrolled.
- ❖ **HOLY WEEK** is almost upon us! There is a leaflet available this weekend which gives the times of all the Services during Holy Week and Easter. Please take one, so that you will know what is going on and when.
- ❖ **APF RED BOXES:** Joan Gater, our APF Promoter, asks that the Red Boxes be handed in for emptying as soon as you can manage.
- ❖ **PARISH DINNER:** If anyone is interested in having a Parish Easter Dinner, there is a form to sign up on at the back of church. It has been suggested that we go to the Mill Restaurant in Stone (n.b. downstairs!) on Saturday April 14th.
- ❖ **DRAKE HALL:** All being well this Friday one of the prisoners at Drake Hall is to be received into the Church and will be confirmed and make her first Holy Communion. Please pray for her as this significant day in her life draws near.
- ❖ **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Please remember there will be Stations of the Cross in church on Sunday at 5.15. Attendance this year has been particularly good!

Quotation

"The Gospel reveals to us the the greatness of St Joseph's heart and soul. He was following a good plan for his life, but God was reserving another plan for him, a greater mission. Joseph was a man who always listened to the voice of God; he was deeply sensitive to His secret will; he was a man attentive to the messages that came to him from the depths of his heart and from on high."

Pope Francis. We celebrate St Joseph's Feast this Monday.

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 184.00
	Loose	£ 215.00
		£ 399.00
Special	Comboni Fathers	£ 335.00
	Votive Candles	£ 87.00
Congregation: 89 Adults & 11 Young People		

Thank you, God bless

Fr. Paul.