

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 31st March, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Lent

FEAST DAYS

Tuesday 2nd April St. Francis of Paola

St. Francis, a child of poor parents, lived as a hermit for a time before founding the Order of Minims. He was endowed with the gifts of prophecy and miracles but was noted above all for his humility and spirit of penance. For many years he was spiritual adviser to the king of France. He died at Tours in 1507.

Thursday 4th April St. Isidore

Isidore died in 636. He was Archbishop of Seville for thirty-six years, an influential thinker and writer. He encouraged education and completed the Mozarabic liturgy.

Friday 5th April St. Vincent Ferrer

(1350 -1419) St Vincent was born in Valencia, Spain. He was renowned as a preacher, a missionary, and a teacher of theology. He converted thousands of sinners, Jews and Moors by his preaching. He died in 1419 while preaching in Brittany and was buried at Vannes.

Sunday 7th March Fifth Sunday of Lent

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 30th	5:30pm	Mass - Special Intention (Duhig)	11:00 -11:30 am*
Sunday 31st	10:00am 5:15pm 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Stations of the Cross Mass (EF) - Pat Duffy	
Monday 1st April	NB 8:00am	Mass - John Priestley intentions	
Tuesday 2nd	9:30am	Mass - Bishop Robert Byrne intentions	
Wednesday 3rd	9:30am	Mass - Sr Catherine Houlihan RIP	
Thursday 4th	8:00am	Mass - Special Intention (Duhig)	
Friday 5th	9:30am 2:30pm	Mass - Sr Bernadette Noble RIP Mass - (HMP Drake Hall) For All Prisoners	
Saturday 6th	10:00am 5:30pm	Mass (EF) - Private Intention Mass - Eithne McEvoy intentions	11:00 -11:30 am*
Sunday 7th	10:00am 5:15pm 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Stations of the Cross Mass (EF) - Vincent Culhane RIP	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* After all Masses
on request

- ❖ **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** As usual in Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross in church at 5.15pm. Please do your best to come.
- ❖ **MASS ON MONDAY** will be at the earlier time of 8am, as I hope to attend the Diocesan AGM of the Union of Catholic Mothers, which is being held this year at St John the Baptist, Tamworth.
- ❖ **SWYNNERTON UCM:** The monthly meeting of our branch of the UCM takes place this Tuesday at 1.30pm in the Presbytery. New members always welcome!
- ❖ **SECOND COLLECTION:** The Archbishop has requested a special Second Collection next weekend to help the victims of the recent cyclone in Africa. Many of you may have already contributed to the national appeal for aid, but please try to be as generous as you can next weekend.
- ❖ **PASTORAL LETTER:** Also next weekend there will be a Pastoral Letter from His Grace the Archbishop, which will be read at all Masses.
- ❖ **EASTER LILIES:** Easter is only three weeks away! As usual, if anyone wants to buy an Easter lily in memory of a loved one, please put the name and your contribution in an envelope and hand it to me. The names will be displayed in the church porch. Might I suggest a donation of £5?

Quotation

"One secret act of self-denial, one sacrifice of inclination to duty, is worth all the mere good thoughts, warm feelings, and passionate prayers in which idle people indulge themselves".

From a sermon of Blessed John Henry Newman (died 1890).

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 214.00
	Loose	£ 229.75
		£ 443.75

Congregation: 85 Adults & 13 Young People

Thank you, God bless
J. Paul.