

# CATHOLIC PARISH OF MELBOURNE and CASTLE DONINGTON

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**LITURGICAL YEAR: SUNDAY A / WEEKDAY 1**

**READINGS:** This week:

This week: 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 22; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41.

Next week: 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT: Ezekiel 37:12-14; Psalm 129; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45.



**MASSES & LITURGIES**

Saturday, March 25 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm Castle Donington	VIGIL MASS	People of the Parish
Sunday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am Castle Donington 10.30 am Melbourne	4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT	Gerry Shaw RIP Elsie & Wilfrid Hawkesworth RIP
Monday, March 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am Melbourne		
Tuesday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm Castle Donington		
Wednesday, March 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am Melbourne		Elizabeth Axe RIP
Thursday, March 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 pm Castle Donington	Requiem Mass	Myra Redmond RIP
Friday, March 31 <sup>st</sup>	NO MASS	–	–
Saturday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>	5.00 pm Castle Donington	VIGIL MASS	People of the Parish
Sunday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00 am Castle Donington 10.30 am Melbourne	5 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT	

**Coffee but no cake (it's Lent) after the 10.30 am Mass in Melbourne today.**

**LENT** Our Lenten spiritual activities are as follows:

**THIS WEEK: Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 6.00 pm. Deanery Station Mass**

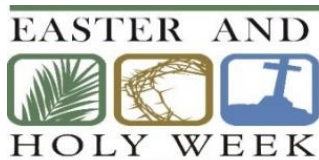
Sacred Heart, Loughborough. Adoration and opportunity for Confession 6-7 pm, followed by Mass at 7.00pm and light refreshments.

Week 5: Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 6.00 pm. Stations of the Cross followed by individual confessions. (M)

**PARISH LENT PROJECT** to support the work in Syria of Aid to the Church in Need: **Total so far: £678.97**



**HOLY WEEK TRIDUUM & EASTER LITURGIES:**



April 14<sup>th</sup> **MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7.00 pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper [M]**

April 15<sup>th</sup> **GOOD FRIDAY: 3.00 pm, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion [CD]**

April 16<sup>th</sup> **EASTER VIGIL: 9.00 pm [M]**

April 17<sup>th</sup> **EASTER SUNDAY: Mass of Easter Day: 9.00 am [CD] 10.30 am [M]**

**CATHOLIC YOUTH POLL:** In 2018, Pope Francis will invite Bishops and others to Rome to talk about Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment. They will discuss how the Catholic Church can accompany young people in their faith. If you are aged between 13-29, the Church in England and Wales would like to hear from you, what life is like, your thoughts on faith and how you connect with the Catholic Church. To help you we have created a Youth Poll that you can access using this link <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll>. If you're not in this age group but would like to help, please encourage the young people you know to respond to this poll by giving them the link or QR code.

**RED MISSION BOXES:** Parishioners who have these boxes in their homes collected **£637.98** for the missions this year. Very well done. If anyone would like a Red Mission Box, let Kathleen Murray or Chris Brookes know.



**CHOIR FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER:** We need singers to complement the choir for Holy Week. Practices will be held to rehearse the music for the Easter Vigil, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. More details later

**THANK YOU OF THE WEEK:** To the after-Mass coffee teams – it has really caught on and proving to be a great social success.



**THE SICK:** Pray for the recovery of our parishioners, family members and friends who are ill, including Edwin Knight, Robert Burns, Kevin Kelly, Colette McGuckin, Roseanne Kelly, Jill Beasley and our parishioners in care homes.



**PRAY FOR:** The repose of the souls of Gertrude Baxter, Mary Wilson, Henryk Adelman, Brian Lycett, Yvonne Wallace, Reginald Petty, Francis Adamson, Elizabeth Axe, Amabel Kerr and James Jones, whose anniversaries are this week.

*Myra Redmond's body will be received into church in Castle Donington on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> at 5.30 pm. Her funeral Mass will take place the following day at 10.30 am, after which she will be buried in Castle Donington cemetery.*

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

<p><b>April</b> 1<sup>st</sup> Fair Trade Breakfast 25<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting</p>	<p>27<sup>th</sup> PPC Meeting [M] <b>May</b> 9<sup>th</sup> Pool Cottage Service</p>	<p>14<sup>th</sup> Christian Aid Service</p>
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**ONLY JOKING: on Mothering Sunday**  
Subject: What My Mother Taught Me

- My mother taught me RELIGION:  
"You'd better pray that will come out of the carpet."
- My mother taught me TIME TRAVEL:  
"If you don't behave, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"
- My mother taught me IRONY:  
"Stop crying or I'll give you something to cry about."
- My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM:  
"Just look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"
- My mother taught me about ENVY:  
"There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."
- My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION:  
"Just wait until we get home."
- My mother taught me about RECEIVING:  
"You are going to get it when you get home!"
- My mother taught me HUMOUR:  
"When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."
- My mother taught me WISDOM:  
"When you get to my age, you'll understand."
- My mother taught me about JUSTICE:  
"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you".

