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PARISH PRIEST: FR JO MICHAEL

SUNDAY MASS 10.30am and 6.30pm
Confessions *in the Sacristy* after all Masses
Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10.30am Mass
Adoration 9.00am Tuesday to Saturday
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Sunday 22 March – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A - YEAR OF ST MATTHEW – Divine Office Week 1

On all Sundays in Lent please pray for the candidates for the Sacraments

10.30am Mass – *People of the Parish* <> <> <> <> <> 6.30pm Mass – *Personal Intention*

Mon	St Turibius de Mogrovejo, Bishop	NO MASS		
Tue		9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.40am Morning Prayer	10.00am Mass	<i>Enit Harrington</i>
Wed	ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD, SOLEMNITY	9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.40am Morning Prayer	10.00am Mass	<i>Personal Intention</i>
Thu		9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.40am Morning Prayer	10.00am Mass	<i>Personal Intention</i>
Fri		9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.40am Morning Prayer	10.00am Mass	<i>Personal Intention</i>
Sat		9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.40am Morning Prayer	10.00am Mass	<i>Personal Intention</i>

THOUGHT FROM THICKET – (Fifth Sunday of Lent): “Live in faith and hope, even though you are in darkness, because it is in these darkneses that God protects the soul. Cast your care on God, for he watches over you and will not forget you.

Do not think that he leaves you alone; that would be an affront to him.” (St John of the Cross)

<http://www.thicketpriorycarmel.org>

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TODAY SUNDAY PARISH LENT WALK: We shall be setting off after Sunday morning Mass to walk via the cycle path to St Thomas's Church, Osbaldwick where Venerable Mary Ward is buried. Approximately 2 miles, you are welcome to walk as much or as little of the route as you wish. Those who reach Osbaldwick plan to go on to the pub.

FOR ALL READERS AND MINISTERS: There will be a short meeting after each Mass **TODAY SUNDAY 22 MARCH** to update the procedures and discuss the Easter services.

LENT SCRIPTURE GROUPS FINAL WEEK: After morning Mass, 10.45am-12.00pm in the Rectory and in the evening 7.00pm-8.15pm on Tuesday 24 March. Everyone is very welcome to this final week.

HOLY WEEK BEGINS 30 MARCH

PALM SUNDAY CHILDREN'S PROCESSION: Children of all ages are welcome to join the procession **next Sunday 29 March at 10.30am Mass**. Please meet in the sacristy by **10.20am** (or as soon as you arrive!). We shall process outside with palms from the sacristy to the front of the church. There are costumes for anyone who wants to dress up. The Children's Liturgy will start once we come into the church.

CHRISM MASS: St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough, at noon on **Tuesday 31 March** when the priests of our Diocese renew their priestly promises and the sacred oils used in the Church are blessed. **All welcome but bookings closed for coach from York.**

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER MAUNDY THURSDAY: Please the list at the back of church if you would like to have your feet washed (**2 April**).

❖ An invitation from **St Lawrence's Church to CHORAL TENEBRAE** in St Lawrence's Church on **Monday 30 March at 8.00pm**. This beautiful and moving choral service is marked by readings from the Book of Lamentations and the gradual extinguishing of candles until a single candle, considered a symbol of the Lord, remains in the darkness.

CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE OF THE DIOCESES OF MIDDLESBROUGH AND LEEDS:

As part of the consultation currently taking place across our two Dioceses, there is an opportunity for all clergy, religious and members of the lay faithful to contribute by completing an online questionnaire, either individually or as a parish group. Prayerful reflection should be given to the questions so that the Holy Spirit may guide this process of discernment. Prayer resources and a presentation are available on the diocesan website to support this process. Responses should be submitted no later than Friday 22 May 2026. For more information and to complete the questionnaire, please visit: <https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/consultation>.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION Sunday 7 June: Our Bishop Marcus Stock has agreed that the Eucharistic Procession will be **from here at St George's** to St Wilfrid's Church. It is a great blessing for our parish and a beautiful public witness of our faith in the Lord present in the Holy Eucharist. All are warmly invited to come, pray and take part in this special moment of grace for our parish community. *Fr Jo Michael*

ANNUAL POSTGATE RALLY – UGTHORPE Sunday 12 July:

Parishioners are warmly invited to be part of this beautiful gathering of faith and prayer at Our Lady of Mount Grace Shrine. If you would like to attend, please give your name as a coach can be arranged.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM Saturday 26 September:

Those who are interested in joining this special pilgrimage are kindly asked to give their names in advance so that travel arrangements can be organised.

DEACON DOUGLAS McKITTRICK will be ordained to the priesthood on **Saturday 28 March** at noon at St Mary's Cathedral, M'boro.. All parishioners are warmly invited to keep him in your prayers and, if possible, attend this joyful celebration.

WELCOME TO ALL: *If you are visiting York, we hope you enjoy your time here. If you are new to the parish or would like to be involved in parish activities please make yourself known to Fr Jo Michael or to our Welcomers on the door.*