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Parish Mass Book page 160 08	hird Sunday of Lent 3:30 Mass: Credo: 11 Sanctus: 16 0:30 Mass: Credo: 11 Sanctus: 342 the Parish Development Fund (PDF)			
Monday & Friday 10:00am Mass in Church Saturday Mass 10:00am in Church followed by Stations of the Cross and Confession. Sunday Masses are at 08:30am and 10:30am				
Feast Days and Saints' Days:Tue: The Annunciation of the Lord	e Pope's Prayer Intention for March r families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families ght discover the cure for their wounds through giveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in eir difference.			

Tea and Coffee will be served after 10:30am Mass next Sunday 30th March

All are welcome to enjoy a good cuppa and chat after 10:30am Mass next Sunday in the Parish Hall. Rota: Joan A. and Angela.

Lent season of prayer, fasting and charity.

To assist us with our prayer life during Lent, there is the opportunity to say Morning Prayer together, in the Church, on Monday and Friday before Mass. Morning Prayer will be at 9:30am on the following dates. Morning Prayer books will be provided.

Monday 24th March 2025. 9:30am	Friday 4th April 2025. 9:30am
Friday 28th March 2025. 9:30am	Monday 7th April 2025. NO MORNING PRAYER
Monday 31st March 2025. 9:30am	Friday 11th April 2025. 9:30am

Holy Week commencing Monday 14th April 2025. Morning Prayer will be at 9:30am every morning, up to and including Holy Saturday 19th April 2025.

A date for your diary: Calling all brass cleaners! The church brassware will be cleaned and polished on Friday 11th April, in the presbytery, after the 10am Mass.

The more helpers, the merrier and the quicker the job will be done. Please come along and bring old cloths for polishing. Brasso will be provided. Thank you.

Easter Flowers: There is a basket at the back for donations towards the Easter flowers and the general flower fund. Any new parishioners interested in going on the flower rota, please contact Cheryl Cracknell

Piety Stall: Please check out the various items for your Lenten reading.

1st Holy Communion and Confirmation items are available, as are Saints' names books to choose a confirmation name from. There are notelets and various cards available plus some new birthday cards. Thank you for your continued support. Rosalind Marie 07789 282689.

Children's Liturgy will take place at 10:30am Mass on the following Sundays.

April	Мау	June	July
13th April - Palm Sunday	Sunday 4 th May	Sunday 8 th June - Pentecost	Sunday 6 th July
Sunday 27 th April	Sunday 18 th May	Sunday 15 th June	

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is David Sullivan. He can be contacted on sg.olasi.alcester@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Please send any messages for next week's bulletin to Bruce Hanley by Wednesday evening bjh2025@yahoo.com



Church Offertory Ways to contribute are as follows:

- Standing Order is our preferred method using the following details:
 - Account name: Our Lady & St Joseph's RC Parish Alcester
 - Sort code: 40-43-54 Account: 11068687
 - Reference: your name.
- You do not need a form from Church to set up a standing order, just use the information above to set it up directly with your bank.
- The forms at the back of the church are for Gift Aid declarations and to join the 200 Club
- You can give cash at the collections in Mass, or use the Dona card reader machine in Church.

New Altar Severs

We still need new Altar Servers to join our team at both Masses. Training is available to anyone that has received their First Holy Communion. We are also happy to welcome servers that have previously been trained in other parishes. Please speak to Mike the parish MC after the Sunday 10:30 Mass or e-mail <u>mike@catholicchurchalcester.org.uk</u>