



THE PARISH OF MALDON ST. MARY WITH MUNDON

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- Sunday 15th March: 10am PARISH MASS ON **MOTHERING SUNDAY**
Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Andrew Psalm: 127:1-4
Anthem: Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen, Christopher Tambling.
Organist: Sarah Stonehouse, Hymns: NEH: 76, 334, 95, 368.
- Monday 16th March: 10am to 12noon Harbour Coffee Morning, 6pm to 7pm Yoga
- Tuesday 17th March: 10am Weekday Mass in Octagon, 12:30pm Soup and Lent Conversation
- Wednesday 18th March: **COMPLINE AT 9PM ON ZOOM, LOGIN: ID: 86512362519, PASSCODE: 945504**
- Thursday 19th March: Joseph of Nazareth 12:30pm, Funeral Service for John Dines.
2pm to 4:30pm Art Group in Octagon.
- Friday 20th March: 9:30am Church Cleaning
- Sunday 22nd March: 10am Parish Mass Fifth **SUNDAY OF LENT**

Mothering Sunday is a day when we give thanks for mothers and for all those who have nurtured, guided, and cared for us throughout our lives. In Gospel of John 19:25-27 we see a moving moment at the foot of the cross. Even in his suffering, Jesus looks with love upon his mother, Mary. Seeing her standing with the beloved disciple, he says, "Woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother."

In this tender moment Jesus ensures that his mother will be cared for. It reminds us of the deep bonds of love and responsibility we share with one another. As we mark Mothering Sunday, we give thanks for the love we have received and remember our calling to show that same care and compassion to others.

LENT CONVERSATION BEGINS: Tuesday, 17th and 24th March - four sessions, at St Mary's (Octagon, 12:30pm for soup lunch, conversation 1pm - 2pm. Title "*Finding a Voice*", based on the film "*The King's Speech*", also on Tuesday 10th, 17th and 24th in the Red Lion Pub Latchingdon at 7:15pm for 7:30pm

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU: St Mary's Church is seeking a volunteer Treasurer to support the financial life of the parish. Some confidence with numbers and basic organisation would be helpful, but you do not need to be a professional accountant. If you would like to know more, please speak to a member of the clergy or PCC.

Funeral Announcement - Update for the Congregation

We would like to inform the congregation that the funeral of Mary Elizabeth Lowe, a faithful follower of Christ and a long-standing member of our church family, will take place on Thursday 26th March 2026 at 1:30pm at St Mary's Church. This will be followed by a short committal service at Maldon Fields Crematorium. All are warmly invited to attend the service. Please remember Mary's family in your prayers at this sad and difficult time.

MALDON FOOD PANTRY: Give generously to those in need, collection point is at the back of church.

Weekly Bulletin items to anthony-aldridge@sky.com or: june.davies@stmarysmaldon.org.uk by Tuesday-Thank you. *St Mary's stands in the catholic tradition of the Church of England. Here we try to practise the generous Gospel of Jesus Christ. Together we are exploring a way of living which is inspired by joyful worship and take seriously the interior life. We embrace the challenges of peace-making both globally and locally. Welcome to this inclusive community of health and healing.*