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Sunday 16th February: 10am Parish Mass - 3rd Sunday before Lent

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr John Gloria: Thorne Mass: McMillan

Anthem: Listen by Jacob. Psalm: 1 Organist: Alex Boyle

Hymns: NEH: 362, 375, 297, 372.

Monday 17th February: 9:30-12noon Harbour Coffee Morning, 6pm to 7pm Yoga in Octagon

Tuesday 18th February: 10am Mass, 11:30 1.30.pm: Soup Lunch served between-homemade soup

cakes, fresh coffee - proceeds to Church Funds

6:30-8:30pm Craft Group in Octagon

Wednesday 19th February: 2:30pm Funeral Service for Christopher James Gullen

Compline at 9pm on Zoom Login: ID: 865 1236 2519 Passcode: 945504

Friday 21*February: 9:30am Church cleaning and Flowers

Sunday 23rd February: 10am Parish Mass - 2rd Sunday before Lent

In today's Gospel Jesus is not saying that poverty is good and wealth is bad (though his first hearers would think of wealth as good and poverty as bad; his reversal of that idea would get their attention.) Jesus is speaking about attitudes and motivations. Material 'goods' can accumulate into (bad) clutter, impeding the vision and values of eternity. We are called to live lives that are dependent upon God, and not upon the accumulation of worldly wealth.

PALM CROSSES for ASH WEDNESDAY - Traditionally the cross marked on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday (5 March this year) is made with the blessed ash of palm crosses: Please bring in your palm crosses for us to burn this week. Thank you.

<u>VOCATION:</u> What is God calling you to do in his church or in the community, we are God's hands and feet, a people saved by grace to serve. If you would like to explore vocation within the Church of England or explore what God might be saying to you, please speak to Fr. Andrew.

<u>DONATIONS AND GIVING:</u> As members of the church family at St Mary's, an important part of our discipleship is to contribute to the common purse. We ask all regular members to please set up a regular contribution (over which you have total control) please speak to Mike Robinson.

THE FOOD BANK LOCATED AT THE ELIM CHURCH, Wantz Road was set up by Churches together in Maldon and is run by volunteers who depend on our contributions to fill the empty bags of many of our neighbours whose current circumstance leave them struggling to feed themselves and their families. Every tin of soup, packet of cereal, jar of coffee is welcomed with joy and appreciation. – remember every little helps thank you.

Weekly Bulletin items to <u>anthony-aldridge@sky.com</u> or: <u>junedavies1@hotmail.com</u> by Tuesday-Thank you.t 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.