

1st - 9th March 2025

Masses and Services

Ramsey

Peel

Saturday	6.30 pm	June McKenna		
Sunday	11.00 am	Fr. Douglas McMillan	9.00 am	Parishioners
Monday	10.00 am	Aidan Ginnell	10.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10.00 am	Margaret Dowsing	Midday	Holy Souls
Ash Wednesday				
	7.30 am	Michael Slevin		
	10.00 am	Parrick Cairns	7.30 pm	Patrick Whelan
Thursday	7.30 am	Private Intention	Midday	Private Intention
	10.00 am	Edward Corrin		
Friday	7.30 am	N. Moloney	Midday	Ann Clancy
	10.00 am	Edward Cooper		
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors		
	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Tony Kavanagh	9.00 am	Frank Hindle

Confessions: Ramsey - Saturday, after 12:30pm Mass & 5.45-6.15pm.

Peel - Sunday 8.30 - 8.50 am

Last Week's Donations: Ramsey - £512. ; Peel - £248.60

Ash Wednesday. Please note times of Masses.

Ramsey. 7.30am and 10am

Peel. 7.30 pm

During Lent, extra Mass Ramsey Monday to Friday 7.30am

Ramsey next weekend, 8th/9th March Second Collection for work of S.V.P.

Peel - Stations of the Cross each Saturday morning at 11.30 am during Lent. Please be reminded that church is open daily until dusk so you may wish to make your own individual Way of the Cross devotion at a more convenient time this Lent .

Readings for the Week

3rd March 2025 - **Monday**

1, Sirach 17:19-27; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mark 10:17-27

4th March 2025 - **Tuesday**

1, Sirach 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14, 23; Mark 10:28-31

5th March 2025 - **Wednesday**

1, Joel 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18. 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2

6th March 2025 - **Thursday**

1, Deut 30:15-20; Ps1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Luke 9:22-25

7th March 2025 – **Friday**

1, Isaiah 58:1-9; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 18-19; Matthew 9:14-15

8th March 2025 - **Saturday**

1, Isaiah 58:9-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 5:27-32

Prayer of the Faithful: Lord, when I awake,

Response: **fill me with your love.**

Please turn OFF your mobile phone when entering the Church. Thank you.

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Feastdays of the Week

Tuesday Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday Ash Wednesday

Friday **Sts. Perpetua & Felicity. Martyrs of Roman Empire.**

Saturday **St. John of the Cross.** 16th century. Carmelite reformer. Doctor of the Church

This Month's Liturgy; March 2025

Unlike some other years, in 2025 we only BEGIN Lent during this month (Wednesday 5th) and so the whole month will be marked by the Purple Vestments of the Season.....notably 'lightened' by the Feast of Saint Patrick (17th) and the Solemnities of Saint Joseph (19th) and Gabriel's Annunciation to Mary (25th). These days of the white or gold vestments will act as reminders and foretaste of the Easter joys..... as indeed will be the Rose of 30th of the Month as we keep Laetare, Rejoice Sunday.

Colours are important to us – they visually link us to the Liturgies of the year and, as we noted last month, they mark the passing of 'times and Seasons'. The major colour of this month, the PURPLE of Lent, is a royal colour, a significant colour and, in many ways, a penitential colour. It is the time of purification and reflection which will enable us also to walk along side (SYN-ODOS – on the same path) those who are Candidates for reception into full Communion of the Church or Catechumens seeking Baptism into the Christian Faith. It reminds us that when we make a profession of Faith - or renew our Baptismal Promises as at Easter – we are doing so not only as individuals (the 'I' in ' I believe') but also as members of a dynamic and living Community of faith. This is beautifully framed in the word of the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer for Various Needs and Occasions (Number 2)

For you never forsake the works of your wisdom, but by your providence are even now at work in our midst. With mighty hand and outstretched arm you led your people Israel through the desert. Now, as your Church makes her pilgrim journey in the world, you always accompany her by the power of the Holy Spirit and lead her along the paths of time to the eternal joy of your Kingdom, through Christ our Lord.

This year we keep the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicea, a gathering of the Church which thrashed out the language of what we know as the NICENE CREED , the Creed which – in translation – we still use to the present day. That we are using language which has very much stood the test of time is an invitation to us again to see ourselves as part of the great flow of time, the *continuum* which is the life of the Church in the world.

Father Philip

Please feel free to take this bulletin away with you.