

Tea, coffee, water and cake will be served after the service. Please stay with us if you can. Donations are very welcome to help cover our costs.

The **Old Treasury Shop** will be open today. Please visit it and have a look at the wonderful selection of items available. New olivewood goods have recently arrived from Blessings in Bethlehem, so please have a good look around.

If you are visiting us, and if you sing in a church choir at home, you are very welcome to join our Sunday choir. Music and robes will be provided. Please make yourself known to the stewards, the churchwardens or the organist.

Food Bank Your support is hugely appreciated. Financial gifts and non-perishable food are both very welcome. The collection point for your gifts is at the back of the Cathedral.

Lent Lunches The Bishop's Lent Appeal is for Vales Silves Community Centre, Boliquieme, Algavre, Portugal. It is a centre for helping the vulnerable, elderly and families in need. Please let Elizabeth know if you would like to host a Lent Lunch. elizianmalta@gmail.com
Our next lunch will be on **Wednesday, March 18** at the home of Mandy Camillieri in Kalkara. 12.30-2.30 p.m. If you wish to attend please inform Elizabeth Lochthead (email as above).

Our **Lent Bible Study** continue on Sundays at around 1.00pm and we are looking at the Letters of St John. Everyone is welcome.

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ST. PAUL'S PRO-CATHEDRAL



SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026
MOTHERING SUNDAY

SERVICES IN MALTA – MARCH

Sunday	15	11.00 SUNG MASS
		13.00 BIBLE STUDY
Tuesday	17	11.00 SAID MASS
Thursday	19	11.00 SAID MASS
Sunday	22	11.00 SUNG MASS
		13.00 BIBLE STUDY

OUR LADY & ST GEORGE, GOZO – MARCH

Wednesday 18 11.00 SUNG MASS

LECTIONARY FOR MARCH

- 15 Mothering Sunday – Fourth Sunday of Lent
- 17 Patrick, Bishop, Missionary, Patron of Ireland c.460
- 18 Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, Teacher, 386
- 19 Joseph of Nazareth
- 20 Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 687
- 21 Thomas, Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr, 1556
- 22 The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Prayer Diary Pray for the Russian Orthodox Church, Pray for the head of the Orthodox Department for external church relations, Metropolitan Anthony. Pray for the Persecuted Church worldwide and the role of Open Doors in providing information about this. Pray for our Diocesan Deliverance Ministry Team,

Anglican Communion Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.

World Council of Churches: Pray for Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden.

Long term sick and housebound: Michele Magro, Aldo Packer, Sandra Davids, Alex Jolliffe, Bernadette Carrera Lowe, Cameron Sutherland, Gina Grand, Linda Henry Stella Vickers, Pat Armitage, Margaret Welch, Diana Hampson, James Holliday, Amy Holliday, William Farr Smith, Francesa Camillieri (Names included until advised).

Short term sick and those in need: Christobel Borg, Olive Holliday, Rosemary Cornwell, Jerry Dyer, Elisabeth Leembruggen.

At their year's mind we pray for

William Foster, Charles Harris – Bishop of Gibraltar, Eric Hodgkinson, Joe Holliday, Grace Woolls, Doreen Mifsud, Edwin Conti.

Electoral Roll If you worship regularly with us, please ask the churchwardens about adding your name to our Roll. It is a sign of belonging and allows you to attend and vote at our annual meeting in May, and also enables you to stand for election to important roles in the Chaplaincy.

We are delighted to welcome Canon Tuomas Mäkipää and his family to our service today. Canon Tuomas is to be installed in the seat of St Titus by the Chancellor.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

FIRST READING

EZEKIEL 37.1-14

PSALM

PSALM 130

SECOND READING

ROMANS 8.6-11

GOSEL

JOHN 11.1-45

Hymns (usually singing all verses)

505 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
391 Blest are the pure in heart
238 For Mary, Mother of our Lord
239 Her Virgin eyes saw God incarnate born
362 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

COLLECT

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

EXODUS 2.1-10

A reading from the book of Exodus

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river,

while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'
This is the word of the Lord.

PSALM 127

1-4

Response: The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in.

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain. Unless the Lord keeps the city, the guard keeps watch in vain. It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early and go so late to rest, eating the bread of toil, for he gives his beloved sleep. Children are a heritage from the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his gift. **R.**

SECOND READING

COLOSSIANS 3.12-17

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.
This is the word of the Lord.

GOSPEL

JOHN 19.25B-27

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.