GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Everlasting Purse - There are no two ways about it; human beings are materialistic by nature. Even as very small children we have to be taught to share our toys and it doesn't come easily to us. Our possessions become a part of us. Anyone who has tried to declutter the attic only to find possessions they can't possibly be parted from will be only too aware of this. Worse than that, our possessions start to possess us. We think

twice about visiting a friend who lives in the rough end of town. Will our car still be there when it's time to go home? We are trapped in jobs we hate simply because we are committed to buying that dream house. Suddenly our possessions are dictating how we live our lives. Then when we die, somebody will come along and give everything we owned to a charity shop, because at the end of the day, our possessions mean very little.

Today we are told, "Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Salvation doesn't depend on which church we go to, or how many prayers we say. Salvation is determined by what we do with what we have, and how much love we have in our hearts for others.

How much we help others, of course, depends very much on what we have in the first place. "To whom much is given, much is required", Jesus tells us. If we have talents, a well-paid job and the good fortune to be born into an affluent society, we are expected to help those who have never had the opportunity to develop their talents or who own very little. Oh yes ... and there's a time limit! "But know this," says Jesus, "if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into." The Son of Man will return at an unexpected hour.

When we buy our possessions, we think about how we would like to be defined. Do we want the brand trainers or the non-brand trainers, a top of the range car or a mid-range car? But at the end of life, how would we like to be remembered? Do we want to be remembered as someone with a house full of possessions, or as someone who left a lasting mark on the world... an everlasting purse?

Bitesize - "You can never get enough of what you don't need to make you happy."

~ Eric Hoffer



PARISH PRAYER – Father, pour out your Spirit upon our parish. Grant us a new vision of your glory, a new faithfulness to your Word and a new consecration to your service, that your love might grow among us and your kingdom come, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Useful links: Diocesan Safeguarding – https://www.rcdea.org.uk/safeguarding/

Diocesan Website - http://www.rcdea.org.uk

Notre Dame High School, Norwich – http://www.ndhs.org.uk

Daily Liturgy Website - www.universalis.com

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11TH AUGUST 2019 - 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C

[19th Week of the Year, Weekday Year I, Psalter Week 3]

Mass Times for the Week			Intentions
Sat. 10 th Aug.	6.00 pm	19 th Sunday in Ord. Time	Mark Blows
Sun. 11 th Aug.	9.00 am	[Parish Mass Book p121]	The People of the Parish
	11.00 am	[Fullsh Wass Book p121]	Joao Lobo & Thanks
Mon. 12 th Aug.	10.00 am	Feria	Michael Flint
Tues. 13 th Aug.	-	Feria	No Mass today
Weds. 14th Aug.	10.00 am	St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe	Tony Gray
Thurs. 15 th Aug.	10.00 am	ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM	William Pritchard
	7.30 pm	Holy Day of Obligation	The People of the Parish
Fri. 16 th Aug.	10.00 am	Feria	Norah Ryan
Sat. 17 th Aug.	6.00 pm		Anna Easton
Sun. 18 th Aug.	9.00 am	20 th Sunday in Ord. Time	Paul Morris
	11.00 am		The People of the Parish

Music for 19th Sunday in Ord. Time – Setting: Belmont Mass (incl. Memorial Acclam. 2)

Entry: 6pm – Angelus (said); Hymn 779 – O God, you search me and you know me ...

Psalm: (said) \mathbf{R} : Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Offertory: Hymn 607 – Let all mortal flesh keep silence ...

Recessional: 11am - Angelus (said); Hymn 721 - O Lord, my God, when I in awesome ...

Anniversaries this week: Mark Blows, Roland Leslie Hutchinson, Gavin Wiggins Gemmell, Patricia Ann O'Connor, William Barton and Edwin Ronald Thurstance. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Confession/Reconciliation: Saturday at 5.30pm, or by request/appointment

The parish newsletter (incl. back copies) is available to view on the parish website from Friday onward each week.

Hospital Visits: If you or family members are admitted to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital (NNUH) or Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, King's Lynn (QEII), and would like a visit from the Roman Catholic Chaplain, please call either St. John's Cathedral, Norwich (01603 624615) for visits to NNUH, or call the NNUH Hospital Chaplaincy direct on 01603 287470 for people needing urgent spiritual attention, or for visits to QEII Hospital, call Fr. Peter Rollings on 01553 772220. If you would like to receive the Sacrament or Anointing of the sick before going to hospital, please contact Fr. Brendan on 01362 694066.

Sick & Housebound [with GDPR Permissions] - Please pray for: David Peek, Janet Yardley, Jenny Rudd, Rita Smith, Carol Whitesides, Robert Nicol, Eileen Brocklesby, Shirley Liebenhals, Catherine Carter and Alf Charlton.

Money Matters: Thank you for your offering of £521.29 last weekend for the day-to-day running of our parish. Missio Red Box donations are now being counted - please bring your red box in if you have not already done so.

130 Club Draw for July 2019 - 1st Prize £20 - Ticket No. 53; 2nd Prize £15 - Ticket No. 18; 3rd Prize £10 – Ticket No. 34; 4th Prize £10 – Ticket No. 94; 5th Prize £10 – Ticket No. 40.

Diary Dates for this week -			
Tues. 13 th Aug.	7.30pm	Queen of Peace Prayer Group - Emmaus Room	
Weds. 14 th Aug.	6.30pm	Music selection & practice – Presbytery & Church. All	
		volunteers welcome to make a joyful noise to the Lord!	
Saturday Club - Please note that Saturday Club is now on summer break. Classes will			
resume in September. NB. There is no Saturday morning Mass during this time.			

Welcome – A warm welcome to our Summer visitors here at Sacred Heart. We hope that you are enjoying your stay in this lovely county of Norfolk.

Readers and Lay Eucharistic Ministers - It would be a great help if you could please check with your rota at home as to when you are exercising a ministry and if necessary, arrange for your replacement in the case of your absence. Readers can always check their reading by consulting http://www.universalis.com; you can arrange to have the readings sent to your phone, tablet or computer. I have the day's Scripture Reading sent to my phone at 8.00am every day.

Friday Rosary – For anyone who may not be aware but would like to join in, the Rosary is prayed in the Church every Friday morning after Mass.

Union of Catholic Mothers - Members are reminded that their August meeting will be taking place on Wednesday 21st August (not 14th) and is our garden party in the Presbytery Gardens. All details are in the July minutes. Members are also asked to check their pigeon holes on the weekend of 17/18 August to collect the September afternoon tea booking forms.

Clare Priory, Saturday, 17th August 2019, 9.30am - 1.00pm - Adam's Shirt and a Worshipful City: Images of Body and Soul in the "Shewings" of Mother Julian of Norwich, led by Rev. Dr. Julie Hopkins - A morning for quiet reflection. All are welcome. Refreshments provided. Pre-booking would be appreciated. Donations for the work of the Priory. Bookings: Contact Kathy 01787 277326, email: clarepriory@clarepriory.net, or visit www.clarepriory.org.uk. See the poster at the back of the church for more details.

Way of Silence: Clare Priory, Tuesday, 20h August 2019 - "Be still and know that I am God", led by Chris Hurley. A day to explore stillness of the whole person in resting and in movement. The day will involve simple movements, many of which will be done from the floor. Please bring a mat if you are able. From 10.30am - 3.00pm, preceded by Mass at 10.00am. All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch; refreshments provided. Prebooking would be appreciated. Donations for the work of the Priory. Bookings: Contact Kathy 01787 277326, email: clarepriory@clarepriory.net, or visit www.clarepriory.org.uk. See the poster at the back of the church for more details.

Dereham Churches Together invite you to the next Praise, Prayer and Fellowship evening. Hosted by The Baptist Church. Tuesday 3rd September at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. Please take a yellow leaflet from the back of the church.

Diocesan Event: How to Defend your Faith in the Public Square - Saturday, 7th September 2019 from 11am-4pm at the Parish Hall of Our Lady & St. Thomas of Canterbury Church, 1 Norwich Road, Wymondham NR18 OQE. To find out more or to sign-up, email evangelisation@rcdea.org.uk

The Norfolk Churches Trust Annual Bike, Walk, Drive - Saturday, 14th September 2019, 9.00am - 5.00pm - Pump up your tyres, dust off your walking boots, pack a picnic and plan a route to visit as many of the most beautiful churches in Norfolk as you can. Simply get sponsored for each building you visit, or make a donation - find out more at www.norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride or see the poster at the back of church.

Retreat at Ampleforth Abbey - Fr. Michael Johnstone will again be taking a group on a Retreat to Ampleforth, to be conducted by a Monk, from Monday, 16th to Friday 20th September. Cost £260-£275. Transport to be co-ordinated between those going. For further information contact Fr. Michael on 01603 664118 (late afternoons/evenings best).

The Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary ...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord. $\hat{\mathbf{R}}$. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

> Hail Mary ... Hail Mary ...

V. And the Word was made flesh.

 \mathbf{R} . And dwelt among us. **V.** Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worth of the promises of

Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel may, by his Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of his Resurrection, through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.