

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING



Being Accountable

If we are honest none of us relish the idea of judgment or accountability. Perhaps we have this uncomfortable feeling that we are not really doing all we could or all we should. The even more frightening realisation is that if we suspect we are not doing all we could we probably aren't!

On the Day of Judgment humankind will be assembled and the good will be told "Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you I was hungry and you gave me food, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." The criteria for final judgement is crystal clear, we will be simply judged on very simple acts of love and compassion. We are asked to see Jesus in the beggar on the street, the starving children on our TV sets, the refugees in our city hostels and the sick or vulnerable people in our parishes and communities. It sounds easy, so why do we so often fail to respond?

We fail to respond to need, when we find it difficult to share our resources or our time. We fail to respond when we cannot recognise need or when we jump onto some kind of moral high ground. We fail to respond when we are so wrapped in our own lives that opportunities to recognise need in others simply passes us by. Worst of all, we fail to respond when we simply can't be bothered.

Today's gospel is like a sneak preview of an exam paper, but having a sneak preview isn't enough, if we want to pass the test, we need to respond to the needy on a daily basis in order to recognise Jesus in our lives.

Bitesize – "The one thing I would guess about the Lord of Judgment is that He probably won't blame your parents." ~ *Robert Brault*,

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*

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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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26TH NOVEMBER 2017 – CHRIST THE KING

Sunday Masses – Page 158 of Parish Mass Book

Saturday	6.00 pm	Int. Fr. Patrick Cope
Sunday	9.00 am	Int. Lilian & Sidney Carter
	11.00 am	Int. People of the Parish

Music for Sunday Masses - *Setting: The People's Mass (Dom Gregory Murray)*

Entry 6pm – *Angelus (said); Hymn 320 – Hail, Redeemer, King divine! ...*

Offertory Hymn 942 – Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided ...

Communion *Instrumental Interlude/Sacred silence ...*

Recessional 11am – *Angelus (said); Hymn 706 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, ...*

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 5.30pm, or on request / by appointment

Weekday Mass Times	(34 th week in Ordinary Time)	<i>[Psalter Week 2]</i>
Mon. 10.00 am	Feria – Int. Sally Farrell	
Tues. No Mass today	Feria	
	7.30 pm	Queen of Peace Prayer Group – in Emmaus Room
Weds. 10.00 am	Feria – Int. John Perkins	
Thurs. 10.00 am	ST. ANDREW, Patron of Scotland – Int. Matilde Fernandez	
Fri. 10.00 am	Feria – Int. John McWilliams (Ann McWilliams)	
Sat. 10.30 am	Feria – Donor's Int.	
	6.00 pm	1 ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Int. People of the Parish

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

Anniversaries this week: Ivy O’Shea, Charlie Secker, Mary Reeder, Charles Wilfred Hunt, Dorothy Pinner, Harry Dempsey, Helen Phyllis Coyne, Alda Dias and Thomas Bane. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Hospital Visits – If you or family members are admitted to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital (NNUH) or Queen Elizabeth II Hospital (QEII), King’s Lynn, 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 Fr Peter Rollings (01553 772220) for visits to QEII. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick before going to hospital, please contact Fr. Brendan on 01362 694066.

Sick List - Please pray for: Joan Blakiston, David Peek, Robert Nicol, Shirley Liebenhals, Sarah Chaudri, Anne & Derek Williams, Rita Smith, Eileen Brockleby, Kathleen (Jenny) Rudd, Ellen Flood, Margaret Leggett, Peter Brown, Robert Anderson, Carole Whitesides, Doris Hipper, Janet Yardley, Josie Myhill and Mary Cawley.

Please remember John Mc Williams, who died recently, in your prayers. John's funeral will take place here on December 8th at 11.00am. **Please also remember in your prayers Thelma Lillian Jones**, who also died recently, and whose funeral will take place here on December 4th at 12.30pm.

Money Matters – The collection for the day to day running of the parish last weekend amounted to £421.19. Thank you for your continuous support of the parish. **There is a retiring collection today for the Diocesan Youth Service as part of National Youth Sunday.**

Diary Dates for this week -	
Tues. 28 th Nov.	Dereham Churches Together– 7.30pm at the Baptist Church, High Street, Dereham. All welcome.
Fri. 1 st Dec.	SVP ‘First Friday’ Coffee Morning. After Mass. All welcome.
Fri. 1 st Dec.	Altar Servers meet – 7.15pm – 8.15pm in Emmaus Room.
Sat. 2 nd Dec.	Saturday Club meets - 11.00am in Emmaus Room. *See item below

Apology - I apologise to those who were disappointed that there was not a Mass last Wednesday. I forgot that I had booked to go over to Clare Priory for The Ministry to Priests Programme.

National Youth Sunday - Today is National Youth Sunday. Please do take a newsletter from the Diocesan Youth Service, which tells you more about what they do. There is also a retiring collection to help support their valuable ministry with young people.

***Saturday Club** - Starting on 2nd December at 11am (after 10.30am Mass) for 3 weeks there will be practice sessions for the Nativity and Carols which the children will be presenting on Sunday, 17th December (early afternoon). All regulars of Saturday Club and Sunday Liturgy are welcome but they must be available for the performance on the 17th.

Still seeking musicians! – If you like to sing, or can play an instrument at any level, or would just like to help, please let us know. It all helps us do so much more with the music

liturgy, including singing the psalms, and bringing a richer texture to the Mass. Please contact the Music Leader, Michael, via email address on front of the newsletter.

Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon Jaylord Magpuyo – Friday 8th December at 7pm

- The Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon Jaylord Magpuyo takes place at the Cathedral church of St John the Baptist, Norwich, on Friday 8th December at 7pm. For anyone wishing to attend, please note there will not be any parking available at the Cathedral except for Disabled parking, for which a space may be reserved by contacting Gavin Wood by Email, on: gm@sibcathedral.org.uk. Refreshments will be served in the Narthex after the Ordination.

Liturgy – Next Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent when the liturgical cycle begins anew. The Sunday readings will be taken from Year B (I) and the weekday readings from Year II.

Christmas Lunch & Children’s Nativity, Sunday, 17th December at Toftwood Village Hall

– Tickets are now on sale for the Christmas Lunch and Children’s Nativity on Sunday 17th December 12.00 – 15.00. Tickets are £5 per adult and £3 for children up to 12yrs. A complimentary ticket will be given if you donate a dish. There will be lists at the back of church for you to say you are coming, food donations and for children under 12, please indicate whether boy or girl, as this makes it easier for Santa to bring enough presents.

Times of Masses at Christmas - Please note these times in your diary. I have given this some thought and I believe this is the best solution to celebrating the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas in such a short space of time. The dates will be reprinted in the bulletin during Advent:

- ◇ Saturday, 23rd December – No morning Mass (*Advent FERIA*)
6.00pm Mass – **4th Sunday of Advent**
- ◇ Sunday, 24th December - **4th Sunday of Advent** - 10.00am Mass
- ◇ Sunday, 24th December - **Christmas Eve** - 6.00pm – First Mass of Christmas
10.00pm – Mass During the Night
- ◇ Monday, 25th December – **Christmas Day** - 10.00am – Mass During the Day

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. **R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.**
Hail Mary ...

V. And the Word was made Flesh. **R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary ...**

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. **R. That we may be made worthy 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.**