

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Living In Wholeness

You must have met people who blame God when bad things happen. Do those same people give credit to God when good things happen? Today's gospel reading is a lesson on living in gratitude and wholeness.

Jesus cures ten lepers and nine of them hurry off without a word of thanks. Presumably they can't wait to get back to their families and loved ones. They can't wait to get back to where they left off. They can't wait to get back to 'normality'. To the nine lepers Jesus must have seemed nothing more than a biblical paramedic. How often do we fall into the same trap? We pray to God to help us through some crisis, but when the crisis blows over, do we remember to thank God or do we heave sigh of relief and carry on as 'normal'?

The one leper who returned to thank Jesus recognised that his life would never be 'normal' again. Something extraordinary had happened; his life had been touched by God. The nine lepers who returned to normality knew they had been made well, but the one who returned to thank Jesus recognised that not only had he been made well ... he had been made whole. The leper who returned was not about to forget what God had done for him. The leper who returned was bubbling over with gratitude.

We all have reasons to bubble over with gratitude to God. The key to living in wholeness is to appreciate when God lifts us from 'normality' and 'ordinariness'.

Week of Prayer for World Peace 12th-19th October 2025

Peace begins with a genuine desire, hope, faith, empathy, mutual respect, understanding and action. No one is pretending that any of that is easy, but it is all underpinned by prayer, and we are all capable of prayer. Remember that in October we are asked to pray the Holy Rosary for peace.

Prisoners' Sunday 12th October

Prisoners' Sunday is the national day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependents as marked by the Catholic Church and across the Christian denominations. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and children. The gospel of Matthew 25: 36 reminds us of our duties towards them: "I was in prison and you came to me." On this day we are reminded to support the work of **Pact** who in a myriad of very practical ways seeking to make that invitation real to prisoners and their families."



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.

Permanent Deacon: Rev. Martin Sanderson

Parish Music team: Judy Reid, Kathleen Edmunds & Paul McIntee.

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Sunday 12th October 2025 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Sundays Year C, 28th Week of the Year, Weekdays Year I, Psalter Week 4]

MASSES in the PARISH

Saturday 11th October	Feria
18.00 <i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	For the People of the Parish
Sunday 12th October	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 MASS	Bruce & Dorothy Wheeler (Wdng Anniv)
11.00 MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	Teofilo Montero + (SS)
Monday 13th October	Feria
10.00 No Mass today	
Tuesday 14th October	Feria
10.00 MASS	Fr Sławomir Hermanowicz + (JM)
Wednesday 15th October	St Teresa of Jesus
10.00 MASS	Monsignor David Forde + (JM)
Thursday 16th October	Feria
10.00 MASS & ADORATION	Ana Cecilia Matheis + (SS)
Friday 17th October	St Ignatius of Antioch
10.00 No Mass today	
Saturday 18th October	ST LUKE, Evangelist (Feast) – World Mission Sunday
18.00 <i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	
Sunday 19th October	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 MASS	World Mission Day (MISSIO)
11.00 MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	For the People of the Parish
	Karen Forth (Healing) (KF)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Thursday after 10.00 Mass and Saturday at 17.30
EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION: Thursday after Mass

Rosary & Morning Prayer are said weekdays before Mass from 09:15.

Please note the 18.00 and 11.00 weekend Masses are normally sung.

For Live Streamed Masses Search for Dereham Catholic Church on YouTube, or use the link on the parish website.

The parish newsletter is available on the parish website from Friday each week.

Anniversaries this week: Nellie Pinchbeck, David Jones, Sylvia Remmen, Letizia Barrett, Pat Rushton, James Gallagher, Julian Attenborough, Elaine Smith, Michael Reavey, Josephine Kendrick, Monica Hodac. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Hospital Visits: If you or any member of your family is admitted to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital and would like to have a visit from a Catholic Priest, please inform a nurse on the ward and contact will be made through the Chaplaincy. If you are admitted to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in King's Lynn, please contact Fr. Peter Rollings at the Presbytery on 01553 772220. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick before going into hospital, please contact Fr. Jay either by phone or by email.

Sick & Housebound [with GDPR Permissions] – Please pray for: Shirley Liebenhals, Derek Williams, Patsy Gray, Colette Barrow-Nessian, William Dunne, Pauline Buckland, Katherine Vella, Pauline Organ, Pat Grout, George Mealy, Peggy Mealy, Richard Allison, Marion Ring-Davies, Patsy Thompson, Ann McWilliams, Margaret Glendon-Doyle, Mila Kaunaite, Elaine Wilkes, Anne Sibley, Terri Sanderson, Pat Sutton, Hillary Bushell.

Money Matters: Offerings for the week was as follows:
 Sunday 5th October Plate £335.64. Second Collection: CAFOD £239.02.
 Bank transfers/Standing Orders for September 2025: £1,889.

130 Club Monthly Draw Results for October 2025:

1st Prize £20 – Ticket No.156, Lenny Frost; 2nd Prize £15 – Ticket No.80, Pat Grout; 3rd Prize £10 – Ticket No.33, Michael Fenton; 4th Prize £10 – Ticket No.36, Roland Terry.

Diary for week Sunday 12th October - Saturday 18th October 2025	
Sunday: 1100	Children's Liturgy - For children in Y1 to 1 st Holy Communion.
Monday: 1400 - 1600	Tea Buddies – Monthly get together for a friendly natter over a cuppa – All welcome. Every second Monday of the month. Emmaus Room.
Monday: 1900-2030	AA Group Meeting - Emmaus Room
Tuesday: 1830	RCIA Meeting – Emmaus Room
Wednesday: 1430	Queen of Peace Prayer Group – Emmaus Room. All welcome.
Wednesday: 1730	Parish General Meeting – Emmaus Room
Thursday: 1730 - 1830	First Communion Session – Emmaus Room
Friday: 1915 - 2045	Confirmation Session – Emmaus Room
Parish Garden Club – To volunteer, please contact Sonia on 07985 521578.	

RCIA Course. Thank you to everyone who has attended, prayed for or supported the RCIA Course so far. The first 6 weeks of the course ends next week 14 Oct 25. There will be a break, then resume 11 Nov 25.

Upcoming Events:

The Bi-Annual Parish General Meeting will be held on 15th October at 1730 in the Emmaus Room. Please join us and contribute to the conversation for the good of the Parish.

Parish Pickleball Club - For those joining the Parish Pickleball Club, please meet at the Church on 18th October at 1230 PM. We will head together to the Leisure Centre for a 1300 PM start. Paddles and balls will be provided at the venue. The registration fee is £4 for two hours of play. Please remember to wear your sports trainers.

Nicole Langan Interment - 31st October 2025 at 1100. Nicole passed away on 14th November 2024. Her interment will take place on 31st October 2025 at 1100 in Dereham Cemetery. Parish friends who knew her are warmly invited to join us in prayer and remembrance at the interment.

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday - A Second collection for Missio in all Masses.

Parish Winter Soup Initiative | ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’ [Mt 25:40]

We are delighted to launch our Parish Winter Soup Initiative on 17th November, from 1100 am to 1230. From then on, it will continue every Monday at 1200 to 1400. You are invited to support this project - either by supplying soup, fresh ingredients or by helping to welcome and serve those who come to share a meal with us. You may contact Jo Hurst for further details: 07809016600. Posters are now available at the back of the Church.

Parish Remembrance Sunday - 8th November 2025, 1800 Mass.

As a community of prayer we gather to remember our beloved dead, especially those whose Funeral Masses or services were celebrated in the Parish this year. We commend them to God's mercy and pray for the consolation of their families.

November – Prayers for the Dead. Envelopes are now available at the back of the Church. The intentions will be said for the whole month.

Donation for Portable PA System - It's about time we had a proper portable PA system for our outdoor services and parish activities. A donation box has been placed at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to contribute.

Free Dollhouse and Furniture - A parishioner is kindly giving away a lovely dollhouse (approx.1m x 1m) with furniture. If you would like to give it a new home, please contact Jadwiga at: 07748624283.

This week is Prisons week. Please pray for prisoners and their families.