

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'.

Bitesize - 'Gratitude is our most direct line to God and the angels. If we take the time, no matter how crazy and troubled we feel, we can find something to be thankful for.' ~Terry Lynn Taylor



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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Sunday 9th October 2022 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C
 [28th Week of the Year, Weekdays Year II, Psalter Week 4]

MASSES in the PARISH		
Saturday 8th October		
18.00	<i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	
Sunday 9th October		
09.00	MASS	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11.00	MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	For the People of the Parish
Monday 10th October		
10.00	MASS	For the Holy Souls (<i>Sillince – 5/10</i>)
Tuesday 11th October		
10.00	MASS	Feria
Wednesday 12th October		
-	No Mass today	Feria
Thursday 13th October		
-	No Mass today <i>**See note below</i>	Feria
Friday 14th October		
-	No Mass today	Feria
Saturday 15th October		
18.00	<i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	St Teresa of Jesus
Sunday 16th October		
09.00	MASS	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11.00	MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	For the People of the Parish

****Solemn Mass will be celebrated at 12 Noon at St John's Cathedral, Norwich for the arrival of St Bernadette's Relics on Thursday, 13th October.**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 17.30

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For **Live Streamed Masses** Search for **Dereham Catholic Church** on **YouTube**, or use the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCR-qWs-B40VTvbzezZ83MxQ/videos?view=2&flow=grid>
 The parish newsletter is available on the parish website from Friday each week.

Anniversaries this week: Sheila Flanagan, Joe Stasiowski, Maybel O'Donnell, Nellie Pinchbeck, David Jones, Sylvia Remmen, Letizia Barrett, Pat Rushton, James Gallagher, Julian Attenborough. *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, Frances Saville King, Derek Williams, Patsy Gray, Collette Barrow-Nessian, Betty Reavey, Marion Ring-Davies, Fr. Brendan, William Dunn, Pauline Buckland, Diana Cater, Gretta Cummings.

Money Matters: Offering for last Sunday: Plate £239.06. Offertory donations by Standing Order for August 2022 amounted to £1556.00. Thank you very much.

For those who would like to make their regular offerings by Standing Order, the information you need is: Account name: **Catholic Church of Dereham**. The Sort Code is: **40-20-08** and the Account number is: **11311115**. If you are a tax payer, please also consider **Gift Aid**. **Gift Aid forms** are available at the back of church. This will help to maximize our donations in the Parish.

Mass Count – The third of the annual Mass counts takes place at all Masses this weekend.

Mass Times this Week – Please note there is no Mass and Holy Hour on Thursday 13th October. Instead, we are invited to attend Mass and to see the relics of St. Bernadette at the Cathedral. Please also note that there is no Mass on Wednesday 12th October.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day – Friday, 7th October was Harvest Fast Day and there will be a retiring collection for CAFOD after all Masses this weekend. There are envelopes for this at the back of church.

Prisons' Week – Prisoners' Sunday, Support the work of Pact, 9th October – Today is Prisoners' Sunday 2022 and marks the beginning of Prisons' Week (9th to 15th October 2022). Prisoners' Sunday is a time to think about how we as individuals, as a Church and as communities are serving those affected by imprisonment. Prisoners, people with convictions, and their children and families often find themselves on the margins of our society. The work of Pact draws on the values of our faith: dignity, solidarity, subsidiarity. As Christians we believe that everyone can make a fresh start whatever they may have done. On this Sunday Pact invites our prayers and support. Pact invites donations online at www.prisonadvice.org.uk/donate/donate-now

Homeless Sunday, 9th October 2022 - This year's theme for Homeless Sunday is 'Homelessness and Mental Health Issues' and will be focussing on how mental health issues can both lead to, and be a cause of, homelessness. Do we look at people sleeping rough and think they have brought this on themselves by making poor choices? Any one of us could suffer a downturn in our fortunes or in our mental health and become homeless through no fault of our own.

UCM – A meeting of the UCM will be held on **Wednesday, 12th October, at 10.30 a.m.** in the Emmaus Room. Members are asked to note that there is no Mass beforehand.

Parish Events this week		
Mon. 10 Oct.	1400-1600	Afternoon Tea monthly social – Emmaus Room. All welcome.
Tues. 11 Oct.	1900-1930	Chess Club – Emmaus Room
Fri. 14 Oct.	1915-2015	Altar Servers' meeting – Emmaus Room
Sat. 15 Oct.	1100	Tennis every Saturday at the Dereham Leisure Park
Sun. 16 Oct.	After 1100 Mass	Youth Club table tennis – Emmaus Room

Parish Website – The current parish website is under reconfiguration. The new website will be published in the coming weeks. We are grateful to two of our parishioners who have given their time and skills to make this possible.

Could you be a Foundation Governor in one of our Catholic Schools? The Diocese of East Anglia is responsible for 26 schools across the diocese. They all need foundation governors to provide support and challenge and oversight of the work of the school. We need more practising Catholics to put themselves forward to serve as foundation governors. If this is something you feel you might be able to contribute to (and full training and support will be provided) we would love to hear from you. Please contact me, Andy Stone, Director of Schools' Service by email andy.stone@rcdea.org.uk or by phone on 07500 701977 if this could be something of interest to you.

Church Week of Action on Food, 9th-16th October 2022 - Millions of people experience hunger and malnourishment. Almost a billion people face chronic hunger and malnutrition, while well over a billion face the health consequences of obesity, as poor diets high in cheap, processed foods are leading to a rise in diseases. At the same time, between one-third of all food produced for human consumption is wasted. We are asked to think about food sustainability. The Meatless Monday site lists 50 starting points. Visit www.mondaycampaigns.org/meatless-monday/eat-these-sustainable-foods-to-help-protect-the-planet