

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Praying with Ninety-nine Percent Perspiration

Thomas Edison, a famous and prolific American inventor, is accredited the famous quote that success is, "One percent inspiration and ninety-nine percent perspiration!"

The idea is that however clever or creative we are, success is mostly about hard work, patience and dedication.

It appears that success is more about not giving up than anything else. So, what if we adopted the same attitude when it comes to matters of faith and prayer?

All too often we lack persistence when it comes to prayer, sometimes losing faith in it altogether. We give up on prayer for lots of reasons. We give up on prayer because we have stopped believing that God is really listening. We give up on prayer because we think that we are unworthy of God's attention, or that God must be busy doing other things. We give up on prayer because we have an immature expectation, and can't understand why God doesn't pander to it. Whatever reason we have for giving up on prayer we need to re-think, because at worst, giving up on prayer can mean giving up on our relationship with God.

Today Jesus urges us to persist in prayer. However disillusioned we might feel, we are urged not to give up. Just because God hasn't granted a prayer in the past doesn't mean God won't grant a future prayer. The key is to remember that God isn't a magician giving us quick fix answers whenever we're feeling at a loss. God sees the overall picture, and as long as our prayer fits that picture how much more readily will he answer us, than the unjust judge gives in to the widow in today's parable.

We are encouraged to pray with a genuine desire to build our relationship with God. We are encouraged to pray with persistence.

Bitesize – 'For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God.'
~Saint Teresa of Avila



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 16th October 2022 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

[29th Week of the Year, Weekdays Year II, Psalter Week 1]

MASSSES in the PARISH

Saturday 15th October 18.00 <i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	
Sunday 16th October 09.00 MASS 11.00 MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time +Thomas Carolan For the People of the Parish St Ignatius of Antioch Holy Souls (<i>Sillince</i> – 6/10)
Monday 17th October 10.00 MASS	ST LUKE
Tuesday 18th October 10.00 MASS	
Wednesday 19th October 10.00 MASS	Feria
Thursday 20th October 10.00 MASS & ADORATION <i>Live streamed</i>	Feria Holy Souls (<i>Sillince</i> – 7/10)
Friday 21st October - No Mass today	Feria
Saturday 22nd October 18.00 <i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	Feria +Thelma Jones (<i>Kendall</i>)
Sunday 23rd October 09.00 MASS 11.00 MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People of the Parish

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

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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-B40VTvbezZ83MxQ/videos?view=2&flow=grid>

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

Anniversaries this week: Elaine Smith, Michael Reavey, Josephine Kendrick, Monica Hodac, James Reavey, Barbara Kellett, Bertha Credland, Michael Hogan, Rosina Izzy, Percy Thompson, Catherine Foley. *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, Brenda May.

Money Matters: Offering for last Sunday: Plate £387.06. Offerings by Standing Order in September 2022 amounted to £1,536.00. Last week's collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day came to £269.52. Thank you very much for your generosity.

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 final of the four annual Mass counts takes place at all Masses this weekend.

Parish Priest Installation - Fr Jay will be installed by Bishop Alan on the **25th October at 1800 in Sacred Heart and Margaret Mary Catholic Church** as a Parish Priest, and we are all invited. Convivial and light dinner follows after the Mass. Fr. Jay hopes you could stay for a bit and meet and greet Bishop Alan.

Habemus Episcopum - The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed Rev Canon Peter Collins, a priest of the Archdiocese of Cardiff, as the fifth Bishop of East Anglia, with an announcement made on 11th October 2022, in both Rome and Norwich. **The Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-Elect Peter Collins will take place at St John the Baptist Cathedral, Norwich, on 14th December 2022 at 11.30am.** Bishop Alan, meanwhile, stays as an Apostolic Administrator until the Ordination.

New Parish Sign – The new parish sign has now been installed. Thank you for your patience.

Parish Events this week		
Tues. 18 Oct.	1900-1930	Chess Club – Emmaus Room
Fri. 21 Oct.	1915-2045	Confirmation Group meeting – Emmaus Room
Sat. 22 Oct.	1100	Tennis every Saturday at the Dereham Leisure Park
Sun. 23 Oct.	After 1100 Mass	Youth Club table tennis – Emmaus Room

Wednesday Study - A short course presented by Cardinal Raniero Cantalamessa, the papal household preacher, **every Wednesday at 1045 and at 1900 in the Emmaus Room, starting on 19th October.** Come and enjoy this 35 mins. presentation and exploration of the richness of our faith in all its wonder and mystery.

World Mission Sunday – Next Sunday (23rd October) is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for **Missio**, his charity for world mission. There will be a retiring collection after all Masses next weekend. Envelopes are available at the back of church and please Gift Aid your donation if possible. Or you can donate direct on Missio's website– www.missio.org.uk or by telephone: 0207 821 9755.

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.

All Saints Celebration - The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham invites you to join them at **House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor, NR20 4AQ** for a **Celebration of All Saints on October 29th!** There is an optional Saturday Mass at 3pm with arrivals for everyone else at 4pm and departures at 7pm. There will be a **bring and share** meal, time for prayer, fellowship and also the option of coming dressed up as a saint, we are hoping to conduct some interviews with any 'heavenly visitors,' later in the evening. For further information, email Catherine on freetobe@walsinghamcommunity.org

Toy Library Appeal – The AMR Sisters of the Lupane Mission in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe are appealing for donations to help them establish a toy library for children with a range of physical and mental health disabilities. See the poster at the back of church. More information is awaited on how donations can be received and stored before being transported. Look out for further details on this in the next few weeks.