

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Are You Being Served? - It's good to open the door in the morning and find the milk on the doorstep, or to be able to put out the rubbish and know that it's going to be taken away. It's good to nip out late at night knowing that somewhere there'll still be a corner shop open or a 'Drive-Thru'. We appreciate the people that man these services, but how many of us planned to be those people as we grew up?

"If you don't work hard," our teachers warn us at school, "you'll end up stacking shelves in the supermarket." It seems that we all want to be served, but not many of us want to do the serving.

Today's gospel is a lesson in leadership. Jesus sees leadership as one thing and his disciples see it as something very different.

"Grant that in your glory," request James and John, "that we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." They equate leadership with authority, power, glory and status. This is not of course how Jesus ever sought to lead. Jesus never sought power or glory; he only ever sought humility and servitude.

"Whoever wishes to be great among you will be slave of all," Jesus tells them. He meant that we should lead by example, by rolling up our sleeves and getting stuck in as equals.

Nowadays, we are very career orientated. We are brought up to equate position and status with success. It is easy for a politician, a doctor or a teacher to think that he or she is more important than the person who sweeps the streets. Jesus warns that the cup he chose to drink is a difficult one. What we should take away today is that no one must use their position to lord it over others; rather we should use our God given skills to serve one another.

Bitesize - 'Humility does not mean thinking less of yourself than of other people, nor does it mean having a low opinion of your own gifts. It means freedom from thinking about yourself at all.' ~ *William Temple*



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 20th October 2024 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 [Sundays Year B, 29th Week of the Year, Weekdays Year II, Psalter Week 1]

MASSES in the PARISH

Saturday 19th October		
18.00	<i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	For the Harris Family Ints. (JH)
Sunday 20th October		
09.00	MASS	For the People of the Parish
11.00	MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	Prince Kurian (Thanksgiving)
Monday 21st October		
-	No Mass today	Feria
Tuesday 22nd October		
11.00	<i>House MASS at Old Hall, Dumpling Green, Dereham NR19 1HP.</i>	Feria In Thanksgiving.
Wednesday 23rd October		
13.30	<i>SVP MASS for the Sick, with lunch after</i>	Feria
Thursday 24th October		
11.00	<i>Funeral MASS of +Vivianne Soddy</i>	Feria
Friday 25th October		
-	No Mass today	Feria
Saturday 26th October		
18.00	<i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	Feria
Sunday 27th October		
09.00	MASS	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11.00	MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	For the People of the Parish

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.

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: Rosina Izzy, Percy Thompson, Catherine Foley, Peter Giles, Winifred King, Bernadette Winstanley, Fr Harry Wace, Francis Perrin, Marie Jones, Thelma Mary Therese Duval, Thelma Jones. *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, Betty Reavey, William Dunne, Pauline Buckland, Gretta Cummings, Katherine Vella, Pauline Organ, Kevin Pugh, Joy Bussey, Dorothy Edwards, Pat Grout.

Money Matters: Offering for last Sunday: Plate £268.33. Thank you.

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.

World Mission Day – There is a retiring collection after all Masses this weekend for *Missio* (the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF)).

Funeral Mass of +Vivianne Soddy | Thursday, 24th October at 1100, in the Parish.

Funeral Service for +Frederick Beaven | Monday, 28th October at 1400, at Breckland Crematorium.

We offer our heartfelt condolences to the families of +Vivianne and +Frederick as we commend their souls to our merciful God.

Diary for the week Sunday 20th – Saturday 26th October 2024	
Sunday: 1100 Mass	Children's Liturgy – for children in Yr1 to 1st Holy Communion age.
Monday: 1730-1830	Baptism Group – Emmaus Room
Monday: 1900-2030	AA Group Meeting - Emmaus Room
Tuesday: 1100	House Mass - At Old Hall, Dumpling Green, NR19 1HP. <i>NB. If you are attending, please sign the list at the back of church so we can know how many are coming.</i>
Wednesday: 1330	SVP Mass for the Sick, followed by lunch.
Thursday: 1730-1830	First Communion Class – Emmaus Room

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Friday	Altar Servers' Group – No meeting – Half-term
Parish Garden Club – To volunteer, please contact Sonia on 07985 521578.	

Forthcoming Parish Events:

Parish Wednesday Scripture Study | Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist by *Bran Pitre* - in the Emmaus Room commencing **6th November 2024 at 1730.**

Parish Christmas Party | 15th December in Yaxham Village Hall at 1200

Deanery Requiem Mass | 8th November at 1200 - The annual Requiem Mass for the clergy of the Norwich Deanery will be celebrated at Sacred Heart, North Walsham at 12pm. Parishioners from across the Deanery are invited to attend this Mass, as we pray for the many priests and deacons who have served our parishes in the past.

HOPE | 9th November 1400 at St John's Cathedral - Inviting young people (Year 7+) especially those preparing for Confirmation, Catechists and Youth Leaders to HOPE! HOPE! Is a special event organised by the Diocesan Ignite Team to prepare to celebrate World Youth Sunday later in November. It includes live music, inspiring talks, passionate prayer and good food! Held at St. John's Cathedral Narthex from 2pm - 8pm (to include joining the parish vigil Mass) on Saturday, 9th November. Entry: £5 on the door. www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

Remembrance Mass | 10th November 1800 - A Mass is dedicated to those whose funeral Masses or services were held in our Parish throughout the year.

SVP: We are still awaiting a response from our parish for volunteers to become members of the SVP to help fellow Parishioners. If you can spare one hour a week, that's all we ask.

New Lectionary Introduction - We shall have a training session for the introduction of the New Lectionary for all the lectors in the Parish. This will take place on **Wednesday, 20th November at 1800** at the Parish.

Magnificat Subscription 2024 - The Daily Readings according to the New Lectionary will be available in Magnificat from the 1st December 2024. All our subscription offers are available at: <https://catholicherald.co.uk/magnificat/>

Mass Count 2024 - Thank you for your attendance at Mass Count this year, we can confirm that this is the better turnout we have so far.



We thank all our many parish volunteers and groups for their help each week in supporting the running and daily and spiritual life of the parish.