

## GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Salvation For All

We are invited to church to worship God but there are huge numbers of people who have never set foot in a church and have no intention of finding God. These are the people that Jesus is determined to seek out and save. Jesus doesn't wait for people to seek him out, he seeks them out first. To Jesus it doesn't matter to what depths someone has sunk, salvation is still an option.

Zacchaeus is an example of the most despised of crooks. He is a chief tax collector who has made great wealth on the back of his oppressed fellow Jews. In Jesus' day, tax collectors were put in the same category as thieves and murderers. Because they were in the employment of the Romans, Jewish tax collectors were regarded as traitors by their own people. Although hugely wealthy, Zacchaeus must have felt lonely and isolated. He certainly makes a good subject for a parable that tells us how Jesus reaches out to the lowliest and most despicable.

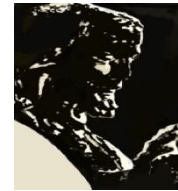
On this particular day, Zacchaeus, curious to catch a glimpse of Jesus runs ahead, and being of small stature climbs up into a tree. But although it is Zacchaeus who wants to see Jesus, it is Jesus who spots Zacchaeus and tells him that he will be dining at his house that day.

It is disappointing that we don't get to hear what went on between Jesus and Zacchaeus at that meal, but we do know that Zacchaeus was suddenly a changed man. We don't know what was said, but we do know Jesus' intention. Jesus had come to save those who were lost. To be lost means to become disassociated with the person God wants us to be. Jesus has a talent for looking beyond sin to the people we can become. Somehow Jesus was about to show Zacchaeus who he could really be.

The parable of Zacchaeus is a great comfort to us, however low we have sunk, Jesus is determined to seek us out and show us a better way.



**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 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C**  
[31<sup>st</sup> Week of the Year, Weekdays Year II, Psalter Week 3]

### MASSES in the PARISH

<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October</b>	18.00	<i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	For the People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	09.00	MASS	<b>31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	11.00	MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	Holy Souls ( <i>Sillince – (10/10)</i> )
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>			+Maureen McDonnell ( <i>Meehan Family</i> )
	10.00	MASS	<b>Feria</b>
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>			<b>ALL SAINTS.</b> <i>Holy Day of Obligation.</i>
	1600-1700	EXPOSITION	
	1730	MASS	
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>			<b>ALL SOULS' DAY.</b>
	1730	MASS	<i>The Commemoration of all the faithful departed.</i>
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b>			<b>Feria</b>
	10.00	MASS & ADORATION	
		<i>Live streamed</i>	
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>			<b>St. Charles Borromeo</b>
	-	No Mass today	
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November</b>			<b>Feria</b>
	18.00	<i>First MASS of Sunday</i>	+Kathleen Carroll ( <i>C. Carroll</i> )
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November</b>			<b>32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	09.00	MASS	+The Pritchard Family ( <i>Perkins</i> )
	11.00	MASS <i>Live streamed</i>	+Elvira Freitas & in Thanksgiving.

**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:** Thomas Bane, Minnie Andrews, Filippo Salamone, Anna Petruzzello, Pam Gayton. *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, Marco Johnson.


**Money Matters:** Offering for last Sunday: Plate £281.93. The retiring collection for Missio came to £188.91. 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 Times this Week** – Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> November is the **Solemnity of All Saints** and is a Holyday of Obligation. **Mass will be at 1730**, preceded by Exposition from 1600-1700. On Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, **All Souls' Day, Mass will be at 1730**. On the commemoration of our beloved dead, we shall be joined by the families whose loved ones' Requiem Mass or Service was administered by the Parish.

**Remembering our Dead** - A Book of Remembrance is provided inside the Church to write the names of your beloved dead to be prayed for at Mass for the whole month of November.

**Red Missionary Boxes** – A reminder to bring in your red missionary boxes for counting if you have not already done so. Thank you.

Parish Events this week		
Tues. 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov.	1900-1930	<b>Chess Club</b> – Emmaus Room
Weds. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	1030	<b>SVP Monthly Coffee Morning</b> – Emmaus Room. All welcome. 
<i>- Please note start time as there is no morning Mass this Wednesday -</i>		
Weds. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	1030 & 1900	<b>Faith Study Course – Session 3.</b> A short video course presented by Cardinal Raniero Cantalamesse, the Papal household preacher, every

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		Wednesday morning and at 1900 in the Emmaus Room. All welcome. <i>This week, the morning session will join with the SVP Coffee morning.</i> Come and enjoy this 35 mins. presentation and exploration of the richness of our faith in all its wonder and mystery.
Fri. 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	1915-2045	<b>Confirmation Group</b> meets at the House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor, Dereham NR20 4AZ.
Sat. 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	1100	<b>Tennis</b> every Saturday at the Dereham Leisure Park
Sun. 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	After 1100 Mass	<b>Youth Club table tennis</b> – Emmaus Room

**Saint Charles Borromeo, 4th November** - Born in 1538 in Aron, Italy, Charles Borromeo founded schools for the poor, seminaries for clerics, and hospitals for the sick. He instituted children's Sunday School and worked tirelessly among the sick and dying during the plague. *"If we wish to make any progress in the service of God, we must begin every day of our life with new eagerness. We must keep ourselves in the presence of God as much as possible and have no other view or end in all our actions but the divine honour."* ~St. Charles Borromeo.

**Toy Library Project Appeal** - If you would like to share those spare toys at home, please bring these toys in the Church and share joy to other children in Zimbabwe.

**Parish Christmas Party** – A reminder that the hall is already booked for our Parish Christmas Party on the 11<sup>th</sup> December at the Scarning Village Hall, 1300 to 1800. It will be 'a bring and share'. Make sure you have this date in your calendar. Also, as this is Christmas time, a time of sharing, we could have a fundraising event and a certain portion of the amount raised goes to the chosen Charity by the Parish, i.e., EACH. One suggestion that came up was to have auction. Please, feel free to express what you think and possible ideas on the piece of paper provided at the back of the Church.

**Bitesize** – 'Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe; to know what he ought to desire; and to know what he ought to do.' ~Saint Thomas Aquinas, *Two Precepts of Charity*