

Catholic Parish of Walsingham

ST PETER, BLAKENEY ✕ ST HENRY WALPOLE, SJ, BURNHAM MARKET ✕ OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION, WALSINGHAM ✕ OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA, WELLS-NEXT-THE-SEA

(1836)

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CHRIST the KING
YEAR OF ST MATTHEW
NOVEMBER 22nd, 2020

Today is the last Sunday of the year whose gospel readings are taken from Matthew. At the beginning of the Gospel Jesus proclaims, "...the kingdom of Heaven is close at hand" and urges the people to change their ways, to repent. Now, at the end of the



Year, we celebrate Christ the King. It is, of course, the kingdom of Heaven, the kingdom of God, of which he is King. He is the sole criterion by which alone we can take the measure of divine hegemony in this world. Unlike the kings of history he did not enter into his kingdom by force of arms, or use violence to ensure the obedience of his subjects. He came to power by disseminating the word of God which those who considered themselves powerful sought to obstruct by killing him. But rising from the dead he showed the power of God's word and the futility of rejecting it. We believe that it is by the power of that word that "He will come again to judge the living and the dead." In today's gospel passage we hear Jesus speaking about that judgement day. Like the shepherd who separates his

sheep from the goats which graze amongst them, so does the Son of Man, now designated 'king', separate those who abide by the word of God from those who reject it. Those who have allowed the word of God to take hold of them have given food to the hungry, and drink to the thirsty; they have welcomed the stranger and clothed the naked; they have visited and comforted the sick and imprisoned and discover now that, by doing so, they have served the king of heaven. Conversely, those who did none of these kindnesses for their earthly neighbours discover that their coldness has extended to the king of heaven. Those who are described as the 'virtuous' have been living here on earth as faithful servants, subjects of the king of heaven and are invited to continue to do so beyond the grave. They are those of whom Jesus says they, "hear the word of God and put it into practice." (Luke 8:21) They keep his commandment to, "Love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12) They are those who can sing with Richard Rolle (c.1300-49):

Loved be thou, king
And thanked be thou, king'
And blessed be thou, king,
Jesu, all my joying.
Of all thy gifts good,
That for me spilt thy blood,
And died on the rood,
Thou give me grace to sing,
The song of thy loving.

from FRATELLI TUTTI

"We have seen what happened with the elderly in certain places in our world as a result of the coronavirus. They did not have to die that way. Yet something similar had long been occurring during heat waves and in other situations: older people found themselves cruelly abandoned. We fail to realize that, by isolating the elderly and leaving them in the care of others without the closeness and concern of family members, we disfigure and impoverish the family itself. We also end up depriving young people of a necessary connection to their roots and a wisdom that the young cannot achieve on their own. This way of discarding others can take a variety of forms, such as an obsession with reducing labour costs with no concern for its grave consequences, since the unemployment that it directly generates leads to the expansion of poverty. (18, 19)

FINANCE

The income from collections at Mass and fundraising is halved and there has been no income from the repository or candle sales, which amounts to around £3,000. I would ask those who do not already do so to consider supporting the parish a standing order. Please contact Terry, Dilys or Fr Keith for bank details.

"Come you blessed of my father...enter your inheritance"



R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sister Theresa of the Little Sisters of Jesus who died last week. Her funeral will take place at the Chapel of Reconciliation at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham at 12.00 pm on Monday November 23rd. Her body will be received into the Slipper Chapel at 4.00 pm on Sunday 22nd. Under the present circumstances space is limited so participation will be difficult. Her body will be transferred to the Chapel of Reconciliation at 9.00 am on the day of the funeral and the Chapel will be open for private prayer, under the usual conditions, between that time and the time of the funeral Mass.

No flowers, please: contributions to the Shrine of Our Lady welcome.

LOCKDOWN

The British Government has imposed new measures to deal with the Covid 19 crisis. These will apply nationally for four weeks up to and including Wednesday 2 December.

It is permitted for an individual or family, “to attend a place of worship for individual prayer, a funeral or a related event for someone who has died, to visit a burial ground or a remembrance garden, or to attend a deathbed wedding.”

It is not permitted for anyone, “to partake in communal, congregational or corporate worship (devotions/ worship/ service/ prayer led by a Minister of Religion or lay person, e.g. Evensong, informal prayer meetings, Jummah, **Mass** or Kirtan)2

CHURCH OPENING

Our Lady of the Annunciation, Walsingham:

Wach day, 10 – 11.30 Private Prayer

St Henry Walpole, Burnham Market:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1030-1130 Private Prayer

FROM IGNITE

The Ignite Team are planning plenty of new online content over the coming months. Join us on YouTube for First Fridays, our NEW monthly online chat show which goes live on the First Friday of each month. And why not join young people across the Diocese for our Mass for Young People on the Second Saturday of each month? Streamed via our YouTube channel and coming in person to a church near you!

Follow us on Instagram and subscribe on YouTube to keep up to date with all we have to offer you: @igniteyea

HOMELESS BOX CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION

As the colder days approach let's make a special effort to help the homeless and those in need. New socks, hats, gloves, scarves, toiletries please. Because of Covid 19 restrictions NO KNITTED ITEMS please. Thank you.

PARTICIPATION IN THE LITURGY

There are many online liturgies.

You can take part in the liturgy via the internet at the Catholic Shrine webpage:

www.walsingham.org.uk

PAM'S JAM FACTORY

As is her custom Pam Tester has been making jam. She kindly sells this to raise money for the building fund. Covid 19 restrictions mean that it cannot be displayed. You must ask for it at the church or call at her house, Wythe Cottage, Burnt Street, Wells-next-the-Sea. Exciting new flavours available!

THE YEAR OF THE WORD



Befriending the Scriptures cannot, of course, meet at present. We can, however, keep reading Matthew's gospel and the readings appointed for the Mass of the day even though we cannot meet.

Sunday:	Ezekiel 34:11-17	Psalm 22	1 Corinthians 15:20-284	Matthew 25:31-46
Monday	Apocalypse 14:1-5	Psalm 23		Luke 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Apocalypse 14:14-19	Psalm 95		Luke 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Apocalypse 15:1-4	Psalm 97		Luke 21:12-19
Thursday:	Apocalypse 18:1-19:9	Psalm 99		Luke 21:20-28
Friday:	Apocalypse 20:-21:2	Psalm 83		Luke 21:29-33
Saturday:	Apocalypse 22:1-7	Psalm 44		Luke 21:34-36

“Jane Crone wrtes: “I’m getting in touch to let you know that due to lockdown CAFOD have postponed sending out our usual deliveries of World Gifts catalogues as they can’t be displayed in churches at the moment. I’ve spoken to a few of you about this and arranged for a small number to be delivered to your home address. If you’d like me to order some for you do contact me by phone or email. Alternately it’s possible to order yourself through the CAFOD website : by clicking on this link.. <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/products/world-gifts-christmas-catalogue-2020?nos=1&sid=5b9089504&ss=r>

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