

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please keep the sick and housebound in your prayers – simply with a general intention for them (this is because of the requirements of the GDPR).

Anniversaries: Harry Doran (2005), Hilda Fairhurst (1988), Angela Bronne (2015), Arthur Simmons (2002), Harry Vinson, Bernard Roscoe (1994), Phyllis Gibson (1947), Nanette Watts (1958), Giovanni Vanzino (2006), R.I.P. **Please also remember:** Frank McNeillis, Marie Perry and George Brooks, who have all died recently. May they rest in peace.

DIOCESAN AND PARISH INFORMATION

The Bishop: The Right Revd. Alan S. Hopes

The Parish Priest: The Revd. Denys Lloyd: 58 Cromer Road, Sheringham NR26 8RT Tel: 01263-822036

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Masses this weekend

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year 'C')

Saturday: 6pm (Cromer) Private Intention

Sunday 9am (Cromer) R.I.P. Matthew O'Callaghan

11am (Sheringham) People of the Parish

Monday: St John Eudes 9am (Sheringham) R.I.P. Marie Perry (E. Holt)

Tuesday: St Bernard 7pm (Sheringham) R.I.P. George Brooks (E. Holt)

Wednesday: St Pius X 9am (Cromer) Bridie Nee (Oakins)

Thursday: The Queenship of Mary 9.30am (Holt) Walsingham Shrine;

2.30pm Funeral Mass for George Brooks (Sheringham)

Friday: Feria 9am (Cromer) Private Intention

Saturday: ST BARTHOLOMEW (FEAST) 9am (Sheringham) Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Masses next weekend:

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year 'C')

Saturday 6pm (Cromer) Departed members of the Lochhead Family

Sunday 9am (Cromer) R.I.P. Kathleen O'Callaghan

11am (Sheringham) People of the Parish

Confessions: Saturday 9.30am at Sheringham; Saturday 5pm at Cromer

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: at St Joseph's: Monday 9.30am – 10am; at Our Lady of Refuge Wednesday 9.30am – 10am.

Rosary: Monday at 7pm and Thursday at 7pm at Our Lady of Refuge.

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST JOSEPH SHERINGHAM AND CROMER

A Registered Charity (Charity Commission No. 278742)

News-sheet for the week beginning

Sunday, 18th August, 2019

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Year 'C')

Weekday Readings: Week 20 (Cycle 1)

Psalms for Week 4

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Eucharistic Acclamation 1

'Since we are surrounded by so great a
cloud of witnesses,
let us run with perseverance
the race that is set before us'

(Letter to the Hebrews, Chapter 12: today's Second Reading)

Dear Parishioners,

Today's Second Reading reminds us of the 'great cloud of witnesses' who surround us and encourage us to persevere in our Christian life. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews was here thinking of the great Saints of the Old Testament – Abraham, Sarah, Moses, David Samuel, the Maccabean Martyrs and many others. For us today, this 'great cloud of witnesses' means of course primarily the Saints of the Church down the ages. But we must not forget too those family members and the friends, both living and departed, who have inspired us and encouraged us. Today, let us include them in our thanksgiving!

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE S.V.P.:

On this Sunday following the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady, we shall have, as in past years, a Second Collection for the work of the North Norfolk S.V.P. Conference. The demands on the time and generosity of the members of the S.V.P are very considerable. In particular, as we move towards the opening of St Vincent's House, the S.V.P. project in Sheringham for the temporarily homeless, there are extra calls on S.V.P. finances. So I would ask you to be as generous as you can be.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday:

7.30pm: Choir Practice at Cromer

Thursday:

11am: North Norfolk S.V.P. Conference meets at Our Lady of Refuge

2.30pm: Funeral Mass for George Brooks at St Joseph's, followed by burial in Holt Town Cemetery.

Next weekend:

Fr Denys's last weekend in the Parish. He will celebrate and preach at all three weekend Masses. After the 11am Sunday Mass – Farewell Party in the Hall and in the garden, weather permitting!

NB. There will be no Extraordinary Form Mass on Sunday, 25th August. The monthly celebration of this Mass will resume on Sunday, 29th September at 6pm.

ADVANCE NOTICES: Next Saturday, 24th August, the Lochhead Family will be making their annual pilgrimage to Cromer and will be attending the 6pm Mass. I understand that this year there will be about 50 members of the family present. So space will be somewhat limited! Some of you who normally attend this Mass may perhaps wish to consider attending a different Mass..... Also, please note that Mass on August Bank Holiday Monday (26th August) will be at **10am** (at St Joseph's)

FOOD BANK: Particular needs: tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat, tinned potatoes, tinned rice pudding, tinned fish, pasta sauce, long-life fruit juice, Cuppa-soup, Instant snacks (just add hot water), sponge puddings, custard, jam, biscuits, chocolate, deodorant, shampoo, shower gel, washing-up liquid, washing powder/liquid (non-bio), baby wipes, toilet rolls. Also, as always, **financial donations** are most welcome (please put your donation in an envelope marked 'Food Bank' in the weekend collection).

CLERGY AWAY: Fr Tim Bugby will be away from 22nd until 27th August. Deacon Andrew Neate will be away (on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes) from 23rd – 30th August.

VISITORS TO OUR PARISH: You are most welcome and we hope you enjoy your stay with us. We provide Gift Aid envelopes for those who normally use this method for their Church giving. Envelopes are to be found in the pews (or on the window sills at Cromer). Would you please complete in ink or biro with your full name, **HOME ADDRESS AND POST CODE (not your holiday address)**. Visitors are most welcome to join members of the Parish for Refreshments after both Sunday Masses

EAST ANGLIA MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

COMMISSION: Marriage enrichment course: Is your marriage struggling under the burden of arguments, resentments, or outright conflict? Or would you simply like a chance to enrich the way you communicate as a couple? The Diocese is offering a half-day session on the Smart Loving Breakthrough programme, which helps couples improve the way they communicate with each other. The programme draws on relationship psychology and the Theology of the Body. It is both scientific and fully Catholic.

10am – 1pm on Saturday, 14th September at Our Lady Immaculate and St Etheldreda Catholic Church in Newmarket.

Tea and Coffee will be provided. To register as an individual or couple, please e-mail: mflc.eastanglia@rcdea.org.

The Breakthrough Programme is also available on line:

<https://smartloving.org/breakthrough/>

‘CATHOLIC VOICES’ TRAINING IN EAST ANGLIA:

A team from the well-known ‘Catholic Voices’ project are set to run a free training day in Wymondham on Saturday, 7th September, to help Catholics to speak about their Faith in public situations. Called ‘How to defend your Faith in the Public Square’, CEO Brenden Thompson will lead a team from ‘Catholic Voices’ in running the event, which is aimed at young adults, parish communications officers, etc., but is open to all.

The workshop aims to get participants to see chances to share their faith in public as an opportunity and to share some tips and techniques in preparing them to do so. It will include practical skills in ‘defending your Faith without raising your voice’ and how to talk about controversial topics with charity and clarity.

The Day will run from 11am until 4pm at the Parish Hall, Our Lady and St Thomas of Canterbury, 1 Norwich Road, Wymondham NR18 0QE.

Places are free - book a free place in advance with Rebecca

Bretherton at evangelisation@rcdea.org.uk

www.catholicvoices.org.uk

ST BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX:

On Tuesday this week we keep the Feast of St Bernard, one of the greatest Saints of the Middle Ages. He was born around the year 1090AD. At the age of 22, with 31 companions, he became a monk at the languishing, poverty-stricken monastery of Citeaux. After a few years, Bernard became the Abbot of Clairvaux, a new foundation sprung from Citeaux. From here, many Cistercian monasteries were founded throughout Europe – including Rievaulx in North Yorkshire.. St Bernard’s character can best be studied in his writings – his passionately eloquent Letters, Sermons on the Song of Songs and his ‘Treatise on the Love of God’. He was especially important for his fostering of devotion to the Sacred Humanity of Jesus, and for his tender love of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He was formally canonised in 1174 and nominated a Doctor of the Church in 1830.

CARITAS EAST ANGLIA: Jacinta Goode, who has recently been appointed to lead ‘Caritas East Anglia’, has written a piece for the July issue of ‘Catholic East Anglia’, our Diocesan Newspaper. Please read what she has to say about the work of ‘social outreach’ that Caritas is committed to in the Diocese and about her hopes for developing this excellent work. <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/caritas-questionnaire/> Contact Jacinta with any questions you may have: e-mail: caritas@rcdea.org.uk

Church Cleaning Rota at Cromer: J. O’Grady

Church Cleaning Rota at Sheringham: C. Fisher

Counters:

SHERINGHAM This week: W. Horner & N. Brigstock

Next week: K. Jones

CROMER

This week: J. O’Grady

Next week: P. & B. Godfrey

Collections last weekend: £1,077.99. This Sunday (Sunday after the Assumption of Our Lady) 2nd Collection for the S.V.P. (Society of St Vincent De Paul).