CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH

Sheringham & Cromer

6th Week of Easter

Psalter Week II · Sunday Readings C

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Sunday 25 May			**6th Sunday of Easter**
Saturday	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*
	6pm Anticipatory Mass	George Wilson	*at Cromer*
Sunday	9am Sung Mass	For the people	*at Cromer*
	11am Sung Mass	Mary Ashley +	*at Sheringham*
	3pm Old Rite Mass	Fr Tony Webb (F)	*at Sheringham*
Monday	26 May		**S Philip Neri**
	No Mass today		
Tuesday	27 May		**S Augustine of Canterbury**
	6pm Adoration & Confessions until Benediction at 6.50pm		*at Sheringham*
	7pm Mass	Eileen & Francis Bullock (F)	*at Sheringham*
Wednesday	28 May		**Easter feria**
	9.30am Mass	Private intention (J)	*at Cromer*
	followed by Adoration until Benediction at 10.30am		*at Cromer*
	1pm Nuptial Blessing of Gabriele & Matt		*at Sheringham*
Thursday	29 May		**Ascension (Holyday of Obligation)**
	10am Sung Mass		***at Cromer***
	6pm Sung Mass	For the people	***at Sheringham***
Friday	30 May		**S Walstan**
	9.30am Mass	For priestly vocations	*at Cromer*
Saturday	31 May		**Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
	9.30am Mass	Leo W. F. Currie (F)	*at Sheringham*
	10am Confessions until 10.30am		*at Sheringham*
	10am Rosary		*at Sheringham*
	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*

Next week, there will be a **second collection** for the **media office** of the Bishops' Conference

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Thursday this week is the **Ascension of the Lord**, a **holyday of obligation**, and the 40th day of the Paschal season. There will be **Mass at Cromer at 10am**, and **Mass at Sheringham at 6pm**.

The **mystery of the Ascension** is the third and final part of the Mystery of Christ that he opened up on the Paschal Triduum – along with his Passion and Death, his Ascension is mentioned at every single Mass in the eucharistic prayer. It is the great **festival of hope**, because by it, we are assured, as members of his Body, that we are drawn with him through the starry curtain that he tore in two on Good Friday, into our heavenly homeland. Until that time, we are called to be his hands and feet, his mouth and his ears, in this world, to give witness to his Resurrection to those around us who are lacking in faith, hope, and charity in the pattern of our lives.

Hope is the theme for this **jubilee year**, and is among the virtues which is sorely lacking today. A world in which hope's wings are clipped leads to a confused despair and a profound lack of confidence. We can see this reality in our world today manifested in different ways. We are invited to be images of hope, holding fast to our faith like an anchor. Our duty as disciples is to proclaim in our different personal ways the *reason* for our hope: Christ, our Risen Lord, who has conquered all darkness, and has opened up his side as the way for us – and the world – to enter into the new Jerusalem, where our light, our lamp, is the **Lamb**.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for parishioner **Mary Ashley**, who died this week, and for those who mourn her, especially Adrian. More information about a funeral liturgy for Mary will be forthcoming.

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Please also pray this week for **Gabriele & Matt** who will be **married** in St Joseph's on Wednesday. We don't have weddings too often in our parish, so do please support them with your prayers.

Our Lady of Refuge Hall needs tidying up. If you have any of your own items in the Hall (including books, donation/sale items, furniture, ornaments, etc) please either remove them **or** let Fr Simon know in writing the reason for the presence of your things in the Hall. Any superfluous items still present in the Hall after **1 June** *may* be disposed of.

On 12 July there will be a **retreat day for men** at Walsingham (£12.50) led by Fr Alvan Ibeh. Packed lunch required. Info: mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk

COLLECTION

Last week: **£1,107.61** (£477.86 *plate* + £50 DONA + £579.75 *standing order average*) • **Thank you!**

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Sort code: **20-03-26**
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ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret Saunders 1967, Agnes Polydorou 1981, Fr Tony Webb 2016, Paula Ratcliffe 2001, Gerald Reid 1992, Darcy Ward 2023, Ann Henderson 2008, Eileen Bullock 2015, Anne French 1988, Lorna Dowaghe 1999, Elizabeth Brown 2009, Leslie Harrison 1978, Gerald Kaldenhoven 1986, Avis Wedlake 1992.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

O LORD