CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH

Sheringham & Cromer

19th Week of Ordinary Time

Psalter Week III · **Readings**: Sundays: C · Weekdays: I

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Sunday 10 August			**19th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
Saturday	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*
	6pm Anticipatory Mass	For the people	*at Cromer*
Sunday	9am Sung Mass	Josef Henriksen +	*at Cromer*
	11am Sung Mass	Helen Thomas +	*at Sheringham*
Monday	11 August		**S Clare**
	No Mass today		
Tuesday	12 August		**S Jane Francis de Chantal**
	6pm Adoration & Confessions until Benediction at 6.50pm		*at Sheringham*
	7pm Mass	Bill Horner +	*at Sheringham*
Wednesday	13 August		**Ss Pontian & Hippolytus**
	9.30am Mass	Christobel Colomba Laing (F)	*at Cromer*
	followed by Adoration until Benediction at 10.30am		*at Cromer*
Thursday	14 August		**S Maximilian Kolbe**
	9.30am Mass	Lesley Cahill +	
	at St Andrew's Church, Church Street, Holt, NR25 6BB		
Friday	15 August		**Assumption • HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION**
	10am Sung Mass	Samuel Huzovik +	*at Cromer*
	7pm Sung Mass	For the people	*at Sheringham*
Saturday	16 August		**S Stephen of Hungary**
	9.30am Mass	Terence Stainer +	*at Sheringham*
	10am Confessions until 10.30am		*at Sheringham*
	10am Rosary		*at Sheringham*
	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*

Our **parish barbeque** is **this Sunday after the 11am Mass** in St Joseph's Garden
Donations will be accepted at the celebration itself • **All are welcome**

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Our Father who art in heaven… The prayer that Jesus taught us begins beautifully. The first words "Our Father" tell us that God calls us his own, and that he loves us and listens to us. It reveals something to us that is quite profound: that the creator of all things has adopted and chosen *you* to be *his*. It is a statement about our dignity, and how wonderful is our opportunity to respond to him: our response is prayer. It is not simply about asking, but about nourishing a relationship. God knows everything before we ask; he knows our news. But by spending time with him, we prepare ourselves for the heat of his love for you personally, no matter what we feel about ourselves. Our Lady, whose feast day we celebrate on Friday, is the model of prayer. Before she said anything to God ("yes"), she *listened*. We often do not need to speak as much as we think we do (though we act when justice is threatened; when mercy is needed). Our Lady teaches us how to pray as a child of the Father: to listen calmly, and to speak with boldness when necessary.

Her feast day is also the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War. I have no doubt that Our Lady's prayers and those of St Maximilian Kolbe (who ministered in Japan) were instrumental in softening the hearts of the angry, and welcoming home those whose lives had been needlessly and so often callously extinguished. Each person has been chosen by our creator; each person is a child who was created to be cherished. Let us pray for those who lack hope. Let us pray for hearts to soften. Let us pray for peace.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our **parish barbeque** is this Sunday in St Joseph's Garden, after the 11am Mass**. All are welcome!** Help will be needed to put out chairs/tables, and also to clear away afterwards.

Helen Thomas's Funeral Mass will take place at St Joseph on Thursday 28 August at 12.30pm, followed by a burial in West Runton. There will be a reception in St Joseph's Hall after the Funeral Mass, to which all are welcome.

Renee Goreham would like to say **thank you** for all the cards and well-wishes while she is in care.

Sheringham Beach Life takes place from **Tuesday 26 August to 29 August:** 4 days of free activities for children and young people with specific activities offering sessions for toddlers up to 16+. Events include sports, drama, creative Bible teaching, arts and craft and fun. If you have children or (great-) grandchildren who might like to attend any of this, see the programme timetable in the porch, and find out more at sheringhambeachlife.co.uk. Please also pray for Beach Life, both participants and volunteers; it is a good public display of Christian unity in our community.

COLLECTION

Last weekend: **£1,096.42** (£580.80 *standing order average* + £480.62 *plate* + £35 *DONA*) • **Thank you!**

Bank details for **donations** or **standing orders:**

Name: **Our Lady and St. Joseph Parish**
Sort code: **20-03-26**
Account number: **30783412**

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ANNIVERSARIES

Wendy Allen 2016, Monica Dawson, Janey Kelly 2014, Harry Platton 2004, Thomas Lagan 1987, Bernard Heale 1994, Josef Schmidt 1979, John O'Grady 1993, George Fay 2015, John Shotton 1987, Mary Jones 2009, David Langrish 2019, Anne Williamson 1984.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

O LORD