CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH

Sheringham & Cromer

21st Week of Ordinary Time

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

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Sunday 24 August			**21st Sunday of Ordinary Time**
Saturday	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*
	6pm Anticipatory Mass	Lochhead Family	*at Cromer*
Sunday	9am Sung Mass	George Campbell +	*at Cromer*
	11am Sung Mass	Eugenia D. Trinh	*at Sheringham*
Monday	25 August		**S Louis of France**
	No Mass today		
Tuesday	26 August		**B Dominic of the Mother of God**
	6pm Adoration & Confessions until Benediction at 6.50pm		*at Sheringham*
	7pm Mass	For the people	*at Sheringham*
Wednesday	27 August		**S Monica**
	9.30am Mass	Claire Valsler	*at Cromer*
	followed by Adoration until Benediction at 10.30am		*at Cromer*
	4pm Reception into the Church of Helen Thomas's body		*at Sheringham*
Thursday	28 August		**S Augustine**
	12.30pm Funeral Mass	Helen Thomas +	*at Sheringham*
	Followed by a reception in St Joseph Hall at which all are welcome		
Friday	29 August		**Passion of S John the Baptist**
	9.30am Mass	Patrick Buxton +	*at Cromer*
Saturday	30 August		**S Marg. Clitherow, Anne Line & Marg. Ward**
	9.30am Mass	Private intention (†)	*at Sheringham*
	10am Confessions until 10.30am		*at Sheringham*
	10am Rosary		*at Sheringham*
	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*

Next Sunday is the last Sunday of the month,
so there will be Mass in the **Old Rite** at **3pm** at St Joseph

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven… In this part of the Our Father, we are not asking God to change his mind (*God does not change his mind*, unlike us fickle and imperfect creatures), but rather we are asking God to soften our hearts ("on earth") to receive him. We are made so restless by our fear, self-seeking, and vulnerabilities that by praying this, we are asking for the certain peace that surrendering to God's unity, truth, goodness, and beauty can bring to us. Each moment of our life on earth is an opportunity for us to embrace obedience to God's will for us in this **present moment**: not in the memory of our past (whether that be shameful or nostalgic, both of which are paralysing), and not in the uncertainties of the future (whether that be to forget the needs of now, or to be stunted by anxiety). All the things that follow this in the Our Father –bread, forgiveness, deliverance - presuppose that we first yield ourselves to God's plan, and stop trying to control the outcome: a freedom found in trust, a liberty in faith.

BBC Songs of Praise is coming to **Holt this week**, and we have been invited to participate in the recording at **St Andrew's Church this Friday**. The doors open at 1.30pm, and it will last from **2pm until 5.30pm** (so a full afternoon!). Entry is free, but you need to register for a ticket by emailing singwithus@ctvc.co.uk

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride and Walk** takes place on **Saturday 13 September**. Both our churches are welcoming locations for participants, so **we need of volunteers** to be on hand for welcoming and providing refreshments. There are **sign-up sheets** at the back of each church. If you would like to participate by cycling or walking, there are also **sponsorship forms** available.

St Joseph will also be participating in **Heritage Open Days** (supported by the National Trust) on **Saturday 20 September**. We'll be needing volunteers for that too, so watch this space!

Sheringham Beach Life takes place **this week** 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: **£1,104.13** (£580.80 *standing order average* + £513.33 *plate* + £10 *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

Theresa O'Keefe 2021, William Murray 1979, Philip Hughes 2005, Joseph Sturgess 1965, John Brown 1998, Sheena Nichols 2015, Paul Finn 2017, Win Holt 2019, Kenyon Secretan 1963, Patrick Buxton 2012, Harold Ogalbe 2020.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

O LORD