CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH

Sheringham & Cromer

2 Week of Easter

Psalter Week II · **Readings**: Sundays: A · Weekdays: *proper*

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Sunday 12 April			**2 Sunday of Easter**
Saturday	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*
	6pm Anticipatory Mass	Rosaleen & John O'Grady	*at Cromer*
Sunday	9am Sung Mass	Leo W.F. Currie (F)	*at Cromer*
	11am Sung Mass	For the people	*at Sheringham*
Monday	13 April		**S Martin**
	No Mass today		
Tuesday	14 April		**Easter feria**
	6pm Mass	Kevin Hand +	*at Sheringham*
	followed by Adoration with Confessions & Benediction at 7.20pm		
Wednesday	15 April		**Easter feria**
	9.30am Mass	Holy Souls	*at Cromer*
	followed by Adoration & Benediction *and* tea & coffee in the Hall afterwards		
Thursday	16 April		**Easter feria**
	9.30am Mass	Armstrong (F)	
	at St Andew's Anglican Church, Church Street, Holt, NR25 6BB		
Friday	17 April		**Easter feria**
	9.30am Mass	Holy Souls	*at Cromer*
Saturday	18 April		**Easter feria**
	9.30am Mass	Hilda & John Fisher +	*at Sheringham*
	followed by Confessions for 30 mins & at the same time, the Rosary		*at Sheringham*
	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*

Fr Simon is still away on leave until after Thursday this week

Thank you to Fr Andrew, Fr Jonathan, and Canon John Barnes who will be celebrating Sunday Masses and weekday Masses until then

The parish phone is being monitored. If a priest is needed, one will be found

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

During the *paschal cycle* (i.e. Lent & Easter!) we pray the **Apostle's Creed** on Sundays. Over these weeks of Easter, we'll take a look at this *symbol of faith*, and what some of the phrases mean.

The word "creed" comes from "*credo*" – I believe – the first words of the texts we are familiar with. In simple terms, a creed is what someone believes. The Apostle's Creed has 12 "articles". In the middle ages, our forebears liked to associate each article with a particular apostle. You can still see this in mediaeval art – even in some of our own old Norfolk churches – where each apostle is holding the different lines of text, helping people remember it. Of course, it didn't really come from the apostles personally. Rather, it took shape in the early Church in Rome as the profession of faith made by the newly baptised. It's like a "manifesto" – not for a party, but for something deeper. It declares that we belong to Christ above all else. Before any other identity, we are his.

We begin it by saying "I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth". All that we see (earth, lobsters, light) and that we don't see (heaven, angels, laws) has its origin in him. God is not part of creation. He is beyond creation. Untouchable, invisible, and yet not distant or abstract. He is personal. He is the source of truth, goodness, and beauty. To believe this is to stand on solid ground. It is to know that beneath the changing circumstances of life and decay, *Someone* does not change. This brings a real peace.

Knowing this reality deeply, St Teresa of Avila (Doctor of the Church) prayed: **Let nothing trouble you. Let nothing frighten you. Everything passes. God never changes. Patience obtains all. Whoever has God wants for nothing. God alone is enough.**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This year we will have **two** parish **craft fairs**: as normal before Christmas, but also this year, a **Spring Craft Fair.** This will be on **30 May 2026**. We will be asking for your generous support with **tombola prizes**, **homemade cakes**, and also **your help on the day**. As always, we'll need helpers to run the **cafe**, our **plant stall**, **managing parking** and **clearing up**. Please get in touch with **Nicola Gilbert** if you are interested in helping with the fair. Email Nicola at: nicago2004@yahoo.co.uk

Green-fingered parishioners: your specific help is needed for the plant stall as part of our **Spring Craft Fair**. We will need pot plants to sell on the day, 30 May, and so you may wish to get started splitting and potting, and planting! All contributions welcome.

More details will come about how and where to drop off donated plants, and also tombola items. We will not be collecting bric-a-brac items for sale this time. Proceeds will be for the parish.

COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous Easter offering!

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

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

Gift-aid envelopes are available for **visitors** who are UK tax-payers. Please complete in pen and place in the collection. Donations by **card** can be made using the **payment stations** at the **back of church**.

ANNIVERSARIES

William King 2010, Dorothy Morrish 1988, Joan Cox 2007, Sr Brendan Shannon 1982, Eileen Short 2020, Alice Cresser 1957, John de Riego 1966, Joseph Clark 1990, James Heslin 2003, Molly Kathleen Doggett 2016, Kathleen Naughton 1980, Geoffrey Bates 1988, Maria Giovanni Vanzino 2013, Maude Kettle 1954, May Cole 1985, Cecilia Crouch 1986, Allan Mills 2014, Winifred Nolan 1984.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD