CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH

Sheringham & Cromer

Week 11 of Ordinary Time

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

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Sunday 14 June			**11 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	Private intention (DH)	*at Cromer*
	11am Sung Mass	Thomas Rutter	*at Sheringham*
Monday	15 June		**Feria**
	No Mass today		
Tuesday	16 June		**S Richard of Chichester**
	6pm Mass	Harry Kyle +	*at Sheringham*
	followed by Adoration with Confessions & then Benediction at 7.20pm		
Wednesday	17 June		**S Botolph**
	9.30am Mass	Evelyn Martin +	*at Cromer*
	followed by Adoration & Benediction by 10.30am, and tea & coffee in the Hall after		
Thursday	18 June		**Feria**
	9.30am Mass	Patricia Golding +	
	at St Andrew's Anglican Church, Holt, NR25 6BB		
Friday	19 June		**S Romauld**
	9.30am Mass	Thresiamma Antony +	*at Cromer*
Saturday	20 June		**S Alban**
	9.30am Mass	Lorraine Greer family & friends	*at Sheringham*
	followed by Confessions & at the same time, the Rosary		*at Sheringham*
	5.30pm Confessions until 5.50pm		*at Cromer*

Fr Simon will be away 15 June – 25 June inclusive

Next weekend, there will be a **second collection** for **"Day for Life"**

A seaside parish snapshot: our "official" published average weekly Sunday Mass attendance is 185 (from the annual October count last year). In May 2026, our weekly average was 223.

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

We continue to explore Pope Leo's letter ***Humanity, magnificently created by God***. Last week, we reflected on the Church's desire to safeguard human dignity. Moving through the letter, this week we come to the question: "***Does technology make human life more human***?"

The question is about how artificial intelligence shapes the way we communicate, work, and think. The Church does not oppose progress. Change has brought benefits. It can show how magnificently gifted God made human beings to be. Yet with every advance, we must ask: ***does this really serve the human person, or is the human person really being made to serve it***? Any technology needs to be ordered towards what God made us for: truth, goodness, beauty, and communion. Truth, the most fundamental common good, is mediated by artificial intelligence systems to select information, blurring the boundary between fact and interpretation. When truth is no longer received as something shared, but rather shaped and filtered, the conditions for communion are weakened. Society breaks down when truth is distorted. This is not about "misinformation". **The way human beings reason**, how we **relate**, and **how we perceive** truth, beauty, and goodness **is being damaged**. We risk seeing fellow human beings not as persons, but as profiles. In public discourse, political disagreement has become a dismissal of persons themselves, worthy only to be laughed at. In economics, customers and workers are shaped by automated systems that limit human reason: "*The system won't let me do that*". This is not a complaint about cultural decadence, but an observation of the effects of limiting human reason. With all our progress, does human reason remain truly free and primary, or is our capacity for communion being eroded? **Technology is only good if it can make us more human**.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be an evening of **Ukrainian Music & Heritage** with Kryla Ukrainian Choir at St Andrew's Church in **Holt** on **Friday 19 June** at **7pm. Free**.

Peter Molyneux lost his car key at the Healing Mass in Our Lady of Refuge Hall, most likely because it got dropped into the wrong handbag. If you were there and have found a black MG car key in your bag, please email Peter (petermolyneux@hotmail.co.uk) or Fr Simon.

Our **next parish walk** on **Saturday 27 June** will start at **Our Lady of Refuge** starting at **11am**, walking to Southrepps (c.**9 miles**). We will have a picnic at Southrepps before returning.

The first class for **First Holy Communion** will be at **Our Lady of Refuge** on **Saturday 4 July** at **5pm**. Then **Saturday 1 August** at 5pm, then, **Saturday 5 September** at 5pm. And following classes to be arranged after then.

COLLECTION

Last weekend: **£1,060.06** *(£420.26 plate + £574.80 standing order average + £65 DONA)* • ***Thank you!***

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

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ANNIVERSARIES

Edward Winter 1987, Mary Abbas 1994, Ethel Dickinson 1995, Percy Middleton 1988, Lillie Mumford 2002, Deborah Pointin 2006, Joan McKenna 2012, Margaret Southwood 1996, Claude Sibellas 1955, Douglas Madeley 1999, Marie Williams 2004, Dorothy Mostyn 2002.

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GRANT UNTO THEM
O LORD