

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Do Not Fear, Only Believe

Most of us struggle to make the most of our lives and often not as successfully as we would like. We worry about finding the right partner, we worry about our children, we worry about illness and we worry about money. We have learned from an early age that it isn't life itself that is important but how we fill our lives. But even having realised this every important fact, we still strive to live longer lives rather than better lives. When we read how Jesus cured and even brought people back from the dead, we notice one very important similarity, Jesus doesn't just add years to people's lives he changes lives. He doesn't change their lives in the way winning the lottery might change one's life. He doesn't grant a fairy tale happy ending with the wave of a magic wand, rather he makes his subjects whole and complete and ready to live life with a new outlook. Both the woman and the family in today's story must have felt that life had slipped through their fingers. The woman who had suffered haemorrhaging for twelve years had reached the depths of despair. Jesus was her last and only hope. The young girl seemed beyond any help, she had already been declared dead. Jesus gave them both their lives back. Is it likely that they would have gone on living exactly as before? Probably not! There's nothing like a second chance, especially at death's door to make us re-evaluate.

The gospel call to change our lives is part and parcel of the call to faith, a faith in a God who saves lives and changes lives. Whether it be the very public faith shown today by Jairus the synagogue leader, or the very private display of faith shown by the destitute woman who touched Jesus' cloak, faith and how we make the best of life goes hand in hand. Today Jesus tells us not to fear, but only to believe.



PARISH PRAYER - Father, pour out your Spirit upon our parish. Grant us a new vision of your glory, a new faithfulness to your Word, and a new consecration to your service; that your love might grow among us and your Kingdom come. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

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 Diocesan Website: <http://www.rcdea.org.uk>
 Notre Dame High School, Norwich: <http://www.ndhs.org.uk>
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1st JULY 2018 – 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses [<i>Parish Mass Book p100</i>]		Intentions
Saturday, 30 th June	6.00 pm	Donor's Int.
Sunday, 1 st July	9.00 am	Fr. John Warrington (Sanderson)
	11.00 am	People of the Parish

Music for Sunday Masses - Setting: The Belmont Mass

Entry: 6pm – *Angelus (said)*. Hymn 683 – O worship the King ...

Psalm R.: (11am sung) – *I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.*

I will praise you, Lord, for your mercy.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord.

Offertory: Hymn 610 – Take our bread, we ask you ...

Communion: *Instrumental Interlude/Sacred silence ...*

Recessional: 11am – *Angelus (said)*. Hymn 770 – Lord, the light of your love ...

Confession/Reconciliation: Saturday at 5.30pm - or by request/appointment

Weekday Masses [13 th week of year - Psalter Week 1]			Intentions
Mon.	10.00 am	Feria	Francis Buxton (Tinney)
Tues.	No Mass today	St Thomas (Feast)	
Weds.	11.30 am	Requiem Mass for Francis Buxton	
Thurs.	10.00 am	Feria	Donor's Int.
Fri.	10.00 am	Feria	Donor's Int.
Sat.	10.30 am	Feria	Donor's Int.
	6.00 pm	14 th Sunday in Ord. Time	Donor's Int.

The Parish Newsletter (incl. back copies) is available to view on the parish website from Friday onward each week

Anniversaries this week: Leslie Neve, Fred Hawkins, Irene Dorothy O'Brien, Mary Costen, Joan Mary Siedlecki, Rosie Hawksbee and Elaine Stephenson. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Hospital Visits – If you or family members are admitted to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital (NNUH) or Queen Elizabeth II Hospital (QEII), King's Lynn, and would like a visit from the Roman Catholic Chaplain, please call either St John's Cathedral, Norwich (01603 624615) for visits to NNUH, or Fr Peter Rollings (01553 772220) for visits to QEII. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick before going to hospital, please contact Fr. Brendan on 01362 694066.

Sick List [with GDPR permissions] - Please pray for: David Peek.

Money Matters – Thank you for last weekend's collection for the maintenance of the parish which amounted to £451.94. If you pay tax, you can 'Gift Aid' your donation and increase it painlessly by 25%. The retiring collection for Peter's Pence came to £126.40. Thank you.

Diary Dates for this week –		
Mon. 2 nd July	2.00pm	Mother Teresa's Knitting Group meets in Emmaus Room.
Tues. 3 rd July	7.30pm	Queen of Peace Prayer Group, in Emmaus Room
Fri. 6 th July	10.30am	SVP Coffee Morning. After Mass. All welcome.
Fri. 6 th July	7.15pm – 8.15pm	Altar Servers meet in Emmaus Room.
Sat. 7 th July	11.00am	Saturday Club meets in Emmaus Room

Francis Buxton - Please note the change of Mass time on Wednesday for Francis' funeral. His cremation will take place a bit later in the day and Francis' family have asked if tea could be served immediately following his Requiem. All are invited.

First Holy Communion, 8th July – Next Sunday our children will be making their first Holy Communion at the 11.00am Mass.

Sea Sunday, 8th July – Next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection for Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. For more information about its work, visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Alive in Faith funding. Just to let you know that I have sent off the application for funding from Alive in Faith for the work on the kitchen/servery in the church. All the forms have been filled in. The three necessary quotations included and it was sent by first class signed for post. There is a meeting to discuss Alive in Faith projects on July 19th at Poringland. The papers had to be there by July 9th.

Notre Dame High School, Norwich - Require a Chaplaincy Team Leader. Please visit the Diocesan Website for more details: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/school-vacancies/> or see the poster at the back of church.

Walsingham, 4th August 2018 - To mark the 480th Anniversary of the Dissolution of Walsingham Priory there is to be a Lecture given by Fr Michael Rear in the Church of the Annunciation, Walsingham, at 2pm on Saturday 4th August - '*Walsingham's Darkest Hour: The King's pleasure is that the Priory of Walsingham shall be dissolved*' - followed by Vespers for the Feast of the Compassion of Our Lady from the 15th century Walsingham Breviary sung in the Abbey Grounds at 3:30pm. Everyone is invited.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July - Priests and their Pastoral Ministry - There are many ways in which lay people can help our parishes. We can do courses in bereavement counselling or become Eucharistic ministers. We can join the SVP and visit the sick and the lonely or simply help bring people to church. The days of the priest doing everything in the parish is a thing of the past. The numbers of priests have been falling for a long time and as our older priests retire, our younger priests are finding themselves with more and more work to do. In some cases, the work load will leave priests feeling fatigued and alone. As the number of priests dwindle, lay ministry becomes more and more important. Our prayers are also important that priests support each other. Today Pope Francis asks us to join in his monthly prayer intention that "**...priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.**"

Bitesize – 'Where the loser saw barriers, the winner saw hurdles.' ~ *Robert Brault*

The Angelus

Ÿ. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. **R.** *And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*
Hail Mary ...

Ÿ. Behold the handmaid of the Lord. **R.** *Be it done unto me according to thy word.*
Hail Mary ...

Ÿ. And the Word was made Flesh. **R.** *And dwelt among us.* Hail Mary ...

Ÿ. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. **R.** *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.* **LET US PRAY:** *Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel may, by His Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen.*