

**PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART
AND ST.MARGARET MARY, EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK**

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SEPTEMBER 9th 2012 : 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.0pm Int. For the People
Sunday 9.0am Int.
11.0am Int.+Raymond Quinn

Weekday Masses

Monday FERIA
10.0am Int.
Tuesday FERIA
10.0am Int.
Wednesday FERIA
Noon Int. +Peggy Malone
Thursday ST.JOHN CHRYSOSTOM
10.0am
Friday FEAST OF THE EXULTATION
OF THE HOLY CROSS
10.0am Int.
Saturday OUR LADY OF SORROWS
10.30am Int.
6.0pm Int. Brenda & Joseph Winandy
(Golden Wedding)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Noon and 5.30pm, or by appointment.

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament**

Tuesday 10.30am; Benediction at 11.0am.

The Rosary Friday 10.30am

The Divine Office

The Office is said a quarter of an hour before the
Mass on Weekdays. This week we use Psalter
Week 3

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.130 of the Parish
Mass Book, and on p.913 of The Sunday Missal.

At the 6.0pm Mass

Sanctus & Benedictus
Hymns

At the 9.0am Mass

Sanctus & Benedictus
Hymns

At the 11.0am Mass

Gloria
Sanctus & Benedictus
Hymns

The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is
printed at the bottom of the page.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Parish Mass Book p.25
(*Angelus*) 810, 846

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Parish Mass Book p.25
880, 803, 798

Eucharistic Prayer 2

Sacred Heart (sheet)
Parish Mass Book p.25
283, 876, (*Angelus*) 898

*This Sunday the quarter-hour Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament before Mass will precede the
6.0pm Mass. Next Sunday, it will take place before
the 9.0am Mass.*

THIS WEEK

Today The annual Parish Barbecue follows
the 11.0am Mass today. A collection will be taken
at it for *LET THE CHILDREN LIVE!*, a charity
which support homeless children in Colombia.
This collection is taken instead of charging for
tickets for the BBQ, so please give generously,
bearing in mind what a meal costs.

Monday 7.30pm Queen of Peace Prayer
Group at the Presbytery. All welcome.

Wednesday 11.0am The monthly Service at
Oak Manor.

Noon Mass, followed by a UCM lunch.
7.30pm SVP meets at the Presbytery.

Thursday 4.30pm Meeting of the Deanery Clergy, at the Presbytery.

Saturday 10.30am-11.30pm Saturday Club, for young people aged five to twelve.

6.0pm Brenda and Joseph Winandy will be celebrating their Golden Wedding at this Mass.

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries Michael Carey (2001), Sidney Platt (1993), and Ferdinand Rupp (1994). RIP

Money Matters Last weekend, £469.54 was given at the offertory. Today there will be a retiring collection for The Catholic Association for Racial Justice.

Union of Catholic Mothers Brenda May writes 'UCM meets on Wednesday this week for a Mass at Noon, which will be offered for Peggy Malone. A special Tablecover, embellished with the UCM badge, will be blessed, for us to use at our meetings. Mass will be followed by a buffet lunch – please bring along your own drinks.'

An Invitation from Deacon Martin and Terri to visit their rebuilt and renovated home on Sunday September 23rd, from 1.0pm. They say 'refreshments and banter will abound – please come and see us!'

SVP Coffee Morning Elaine Wilkes writes 'The next SVP monthly Coffee Morning takes place this Friday, September 14th, after morning Mass – 10.45am-12 Noon. All welcome.'

Mass for the Sick 'The next quarterly Mass for the Sick and housebound, organized by SVP/UCM, will take place on Wednesday, 19th September, at 2.30pm. Anyone wishing to attend, but needing transport, please contact 01328 701793.'

LOOKING FORWARD.....

In two weeks time I'll be off on my annual holiday – I always go at the end of September/early October because then the weather tends to be a little more reliable, places are quieter when the schools have gone back, and also the Autumn is a lovely time in the countryside, with a certain

mellowness which is infinitely attractive. I'm finding, though, that thoughts of my holiday are filling – even dominating - my thinking increasingly: a great looking-forwards, a counting of the days. But then looking forwards seems to play quite a part in the lives of all of us, don't you think? Arn't there things which you are looking forward to at present? Seeing your family, resolving a problem, obtaining something you want very much, going somewhere special? And indeed looking forward seems to be an authentic part of the Christian life. Ultimately, of course, we are looking forward to the establishment of the Kingdom, to new life in Christ in all its fullness, to the completion of salvation, and yes, as the climax of all of our looking forward, the Vision of God, which is our final end and hope.

But I feel just a little uneasy about my excessive looking forward to my holiday. My Mother, I seem to remember, used to warn about 'wishing your life away', and too much looking forward can surely result in a failure to value and use the present moment. Because savouring, using, living-out the present moment is also an authentic element in the Christian understanding. Each moment is precious, and the present is full of opportunities to know and love God, and to celebrate and serve our neighbour. Each moment is an opportunity which will not return, and whilst the future to which we look forward may or may not materialize, the present moment is absolutely real.

So maybe there has to be a kind of tension between this looking forward with eager anticipation and using and enjoying to the full what God has given us here and now. Both things are natural and proper, and there is perhaps a kind of healthiness in holding the two in tandem. Without looking forward there would be a lack of perspective and breadth in our lives, and yet we must live out our present moment enthusiastically if we are to make the most of our lives. In Our Lord's incarnate life and teaching we see this tension between future and present in its perfection. He certainly looked forward to the new resurrection life which he would share with his redeemed people, but likewise he used every moment and opportunity to proclaim the Truth and to manifest the abundant love of God.

