GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Take Nothing with You

Travel light so as not to get distracted. Work hardest where your wok is appreciated, but don't waste time where your work isn't producing any results. It's not just great advice for evangelising; it's great advice for living your life. In today's gospel Jesus is giving his disciples a three-point strategy for spreading his teaching.

First Jesus promotes single mindedness. The disciples must travel light unhampered by any distractions. How many advertising

campaigns fail because the heart of the message is cluttered and confused? How many Christians come out of church on a Sunday remembering only that they need to contribute to the church steeple restoration fund rather than remembering the central gospel lesson.

The second part of Jesus' plan was to choose the best audience. We are all familiar with the street preacher who stands in the middle of the city precinct whilst tides of shoppers give him a wide birth. For all his good intentions, this person has not chosen an audience who are in any mood to stop and listen. Jesus advises not to stay where we are not wanted nor try to teach those who refuse to listen. Choosing the best audience and setting are all important.

Thirdly, make the message clear and compelling. Jesus tells the disciples to teach a message of repentance and to cure the sick. In other words, we are to instigate a change for the better in the lives of others. It's a powerful message. Who doesn't want to change for the better? Who wouldn't listen if they were promised a better life?

So, did Jesus' strategy work? That Christianity is so strong two thousand years down the line is a great testimony to Jesus and the work of those early disciples.

Bitesize – 'The road leading to a goal does not separate you from the destination; it is essentially a part of it.' ~ *Charles DeLint*



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.

Useful links: Diocesan Safeguarding – <u>https://www.rcdea.org.uk/safeguarding/</u> Diocesan Website – <u>http://www.rcdea.org.uk</u> Notre Dame High School, Norwich – <u>http://www.ndhs.org.uk</u> Daily Liturgy Website – <u>www.universalis.com</u>

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11TH JULY 2021- 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year B

[15th Week of the Year, Weekday Year I, Psalter Week 3]

Mass Times for the Week			Intentions
Sat. 10 July	6.00 pm	15 th Sunday in	Holy Souls
Sun. 11 July	9.00 am	Ordinary Time	The People of the Parish
	11.00 am	Orunnary Time	Bingham Family
Mon. 12 July	10.00 am	Feria	Maria Lorena Montero
	11.00 am	Funeral Service for Teofila Wiezel	
Tues. 13 July	-	Feria	No Mass today
Weds. 14 July	10.00 am	Feria	Colm Lacey
Thurs. 15 July	10.00 am	St Bonaventure	Holy Souls
Fri. 16 July	10.00 am	Feria	Holy Souls
Sat. 17 July	-	Feria	No morning Mass
	6.00 pm	16 th Sunday in	Harris Family – Thanksgiving
Sun. 18 July	9.00 am	Ordinary Time	The People of the Parish
	11.00 am	Orumary fille	Lilibeth & Alan Theedom

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - from 9.25 a.m. – 9.55 a.m. before each weekday Mass.

The Church is open daily until 6:00pm

Anniversaries this week: Edward Clare, Doris Eden, Kay Vincent, Dennis Crossland Mallam, Anne Tinney. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

ALL MASSES ARE LIVE STREAMED ON YouTube -

Search for **Dereham Catholic Church** on **YouTube**, or use the following link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCR-qWs-B40VTvbzezZ83MxQ/videos?view=2&flow=grid</u> The parish newsletter (incl. back copies) is available to view on the parish website from Friday onward each week. **Hospital Visits:** If you or any member of your family is admitted to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital and would like to have a visit from a Catholic Priest, please inform a nurse on the ward and contact will be made through the Chaplaincy. If you are admitted to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in King's Lynn, please contact Fr. Peter Rollings at the Presbytery on 01553 772220. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick before going into hospital, please contact Fr. Brendan either by phone or by email.

Sick & Housebound [with GDPR Permissions] – Please pray for: Carol Whitesides, Shirley Liebenhals, Frances Saville King, Derek Williams, Greta Cummings, Patsy Gray, Allan Michael Howard, Collette Barrow-Nessian.

Money Matters: There is a retiring collection after all Masses this weekend in support of Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea).

For those who would like to make their regular offerings by Standing Order, the information you need is: Account name: **Catholic Church of Dereham.** The Sort Code is: **40-20-08** and the Account number is: **11311115.** If you are a tax payer, please also consider **Gift Aid**. This is a great way for the parish to get additional funds from the tax reclaim benefits scheme; with this scheme you do not need to commit to a fixed amount as it will just be based on your total annual contribution. Let Fr. Brendan know if you would like to sign up to Gift Aid.

130 Club Draw for June 2021 - Quarterly Prize £50 - Ticket No. 82, Brenda May; 1st Prize £20 – Ticket No. 84, Anne Nicol; 2nd Prize £15 – Ticket No. 96, Paul Wade; 3rd Prize £10 – Ticket No. 131, Tony Whitehouse; 4th Prize £10 – Ticket No. 85, Nora Fahy; 5th Prize £10 – Ticket No. 170, Diane Rosi.



Newsletter by Email - Please let Fr. Brendan know if you would like to receive the parish's weekly bulletin by email. We have a GDPR compliant list of names for this purpose.

Sea Sunday, 11th July 2021 – Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who

live and work at sea. Today's retiring collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Catholic Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. For an appeal talk from Bishop Paul Mason and a video showing some of what Stella Maris does, please visit <u>www.stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday</u>. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work. To donate, please



visit <u>www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate</u> or text "SEA" to 70460 to donate £5. Or use the envelopes available at the back of church. Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations, so please give generously. Thank you.

Welcome to visitors to our parish during July and August. You are very welcome to join us for Mass. There is no need to book a seat for Mass. We all hope that you enjoy your stay in the district and that you have safe and pleasant journeys in East Anglia.

Light left on. I leave one strip light on in the Emmaus Room all the time as I feel it offers a better welcome to visitors to the church during the day. Please do not switch it off. It is LED and uses minimum electricity. Thanks.

Changing regulations on July 19th. There is no word yet from the Diocese on the regulations to be followed from July 19th. As soon as I hear anything, I will have it put on the website and in the newsletter.

Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM) - The UCM's next meeting will be at Myrna Kemp's on **14th August at 2pm**. Please ring Anne on 01362 692030 to let her know if you can attend, and also if you need a lift. Please, if any member has an email address that I do not have, or have a family member they live with who would be happy to receive emails for you, please let me have the details. This is the quickest and most economical way of getting news to you.

CAFOD Summer News – CAFOD's Summer Newsletter covers a range of topics, which will be included in the bulletin over the next few weeks, or you can read the whole newsletter on the parish website. To begin, CAFOD sends greetings and thanks for the support of its work. You can find some of the stories of <u>communities transformed by water projects</u>, including a video of <u>Binga from Zimbabwe</u> who is delighted with a new water source – 'I even whooped for joy.' Thank you for helping to make these good things possible. And across the world preparations are taking place for the **synod**. To help the Catholic community CAFOD is offering online sessions, open to all, with experts sharing what the synod and synodality is, why it is important and how parish communities will be taking part. You and your parishioners are welcome to join us live or by watching on catch up. The first session, on Tuesday 27 July at 7pm, will feature a conversation with **Christopher Lamb**, **Rome correspondent for The Tablet**, about why Pope Francis is inviting us all to participate in the synod. <u>Click here to book onto the session</u>. Find more at https://cafod.org.uk

Prayer for the Election of a Bishop

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

> St. Felix, Pray for us. St. Fursey, Pray for us. St. Edmund, Pray for us. All Holy Martyrs and Saints of East Anglia, Pray for us.