GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Feeding Faith

Over fifty years on from the first moon landing; yet as time goes by, the murmurings that it might never have happened gather momentum. "How could the flag be fluttering on an atmosphere free moon?" "How did the astronauts take such stunning photographs with apparent multiple light sources when their only light source was the sun?" It seems that when

anyone makes an incredible claim, there will be those who seek to discredit it. It's far easier to pick holes in an amazing claim than to support it. It's good that we have questioning minds, but what if our questions lead us up a blind alley where we are suddenly incapable of belief.

Put yourself In Jesus' shoes. You've worked inexplicable miracles, not least the feeding of five thousand with just five loaves and two fishes. Now you try to explain to the crowds that your miracle wasn't just about feeding a bunch of hungry people, your miracle was a sign of your divinity. "I am the living bread, that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The people have a hard time believing your claim. Even though they've witnessed your great miracle, they mutter to each other. "Who's he trying to kid ... we knew his parents and we know where he's from ... how can he have come down from heaven?" Maybe the crowds were looking for more signs ... more miracles! If we were in Jesus' shoes we might have obliged with a few more miracles, but Jesus knows that this is not the answer. Instead, he makes us a promise. "I am the bread of life, anyone who eats this bread will live forever." If we share in Christ's Eucharist, our faith will be nourished and we will inherit everlasting life.

Bitesize - He does not believe who does not live according to his belief.

~Thomas Fuller



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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Sunday 11th August 2024 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Sundays Year B, 19th Week of the Year, Weekdays Year II, Psalter Week 3]

MASSES	in the	PARISH
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Saturday 10th August

18:00 First MASS of Sunday

Sunday 11th August 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

09:00 MASS For the People of the Parish

11:00 MASS Live streamed +Mark & Janice Blows (AB)

Monday 12th August Feria

10:00 Service of the Word & Holy Communion

Tuesday 13th August Feria

10:00 MASS

Wednesday 14th August St Maximilian Mary Kolbe

1:00 MASS

Thursday 15th August ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM.

10:00 MASS +William Pritchard (CP)

16:45-17:15 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

17:30 MASS

Friday 16th August Feria

No Mass today

Saturday 17th August Feria

18:00 First MASS of Sunday For the People of the Parish Sunday 18th August 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

09:00 MASS +Norah Ryan (CP)

11:00 MASS Live streamed Thanksgiving (Mariana Moniz)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Thursday after 10.00 Mass and Saturday at 17.30 EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION: Thursday after Mass

Rosary & Morning Prayer are said weekdays before Mass from 09:15.

For Live Streamed Masses Search for Dereham Catholic Church on YouTube,

or use the link on the parish website.

The parish newsletter is available on the parish website from Friday each week.

Anniversaries this week: Mark Blows, Roland Leslie Hutchinson, Gavin Wiggins Gemmell, Patricia Ann O'Connor, William Barton, Edwin Ronald Thurstance. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

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. Jay either by phone or by email.

Sick & Housebound [with GDPR Permissions] – Please pray for: Shirley Liebenhals, Derek Williams, Patsy Gray, Colette Barrow-Nessian, Betty Reavey, William Dunne, Pauline Buckland, Gretta Cummings, Katherine Vella, Pauline Organ, Kevin Pugh, Joy Bussey, Dorothy Edwards, Pat Grout.

Money Matters: Offering for last Sunday: Plate £202.22. Thank you.

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. Gift Aid forms** are available at the back of church. This is will help to maximize our donations in the Parish.

The Baptism of Isaac & Elijah Read takes place today at the 11:00 Mass.

Solemnity of the Assumption, 15th August – This Thursday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the BVM and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be at 10:00 and at 17:30, plus Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 16:45-17:15.

130 Club Draw for August 2024 - 1st Prize £20 – Ticket No. 164, Kate Crowley; 2nd Prize £15 – Ticket No. 177, Estella Morris; 3rd Prize £10 – Ticket No. 165, Kate Crowley; 4th Prize £10 – Ticket No. 19, Jadwiga Bingham.

Diary for the week 11th - 17th August 2024		
Monday: 14:00-16:00	Tea Buddies: Monthly get-together for a friendly natter over a cuppa – Emmaus Room. All welcome. Every second Monday of the month.	
Monday: 19:00-20:30	AA Group Meeting - Emmaus Room	
Wednesday: 14:30	Queen of Peace Prayer Group – Emmaus Room. All welcome.	
Parish Garden Club – To volunteer, please contact Sonia on 07985 521578.		

Annual Dereham 5k Road Race – A reminder that the annual Dereham 5k road race is taking place next Sunday, **18**th **August, starting at 08:55**. Road traffic management arrangements will apply, so allow extra travel time for arrival for Mass. There will be congestion between London Road and Station Road.

Monday Mass at 10:00 will be resuming on 2nd September 2024.

Parish BBQ - The annual Parish BBQ will be taking place on Sunday, 8th September 2024 after the 11:00 Mass, if you will be attending, please place your name on the list at the back of the church for catering purposes.

Parish Yard Sale – It would be appreciated if no further electrical appliances were donated, please. Thank you.

Clergy Moves in September – As you may be aware, clergy moves in the Diocese will be taking place in September. New assignments will be posted in the Diocesan magazine at some point. Fr. John Barnes in Felixstowe will be retiring to Wellsnext-the-Sea, and Fr. Brendan is now happily settled in his town home in Bury St. Edmunds.

From Marriage Dreams to Christ's Bride || Sr. Theresa Weight || Vocare - YouTube - Follow the link if you would like to follow Sr Theresa's story of her vocation with the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jYDIoDX4NQA&pp=ygURU3lgdGhlcmVzYSB3 ZWInaHQ%3D



Maximilian Kolbe, August 14th - Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish priest who died as a prisoner in Auschwitz on August 14th 1941. When a prisoner escaped from the camp, the Nazis, in reprisal, selected ten others to be killed. One of those selected, Franciszek Gajowniczek cried out, "My wife! My children! I will never see them again." Moved by pity St. Maximilian stepped forward and asked to die in his place. The request was granted. He was canonized a martyr by Pope John Paul II in 1981. The cell where he died is now a shrine.



We thank all our many parish volunteers and groups for their help each week in supporting the running and daily and spiritual life of the parish.