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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd September 2017

Take up your cross.

Christ tells us to take up our cross daily and follow him. It is in apparently losing our lives that we will find them in a newer, deeper way, and then shall be rewarded according to our behavior. This will never be easy, but it is the only path to real holiness and happiness.

Readings

Sundays Year A ~ Weekdays Cycle I ~ Psalms Week 2

Entrance Antiphon

**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all day long.
 O Lord you are good and forgiving,
 full of mercy to all who call to you.**

First Reading

The word of the Lord has meant insult for me.

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Responsorial Psalm

**For you my soul is thirsting,
 O Lord my God.**

Psalm 62

Second Reading

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Romans 12:1-2

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
 Enlighten the eyes of our mind,
 so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.
 Alleluia**

Gospel

If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.

Matthew 16:21-27

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 2 nd September	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:00pm	Holy Souls
Sunday 3 rd September		10.30am	Parishioners
Monday 4 th September	Feria	9:15am	Vocations
Tuesday 5 th September	Feria		No Mass
Wednesday 6 th September	S Teresa of Calcutta	7:00pm	Holy Souls
Thursday 7th September	Feria	9:15am	Tony Green RIP
Friday 8th September	The Nativity of the BVM	9:15am	Mass at school
Saturday 9th September	Feria	10.00am	Personal Intentions
Saturday 9th September		6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 10 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am	Deceased members of Southwood Family

Morning or Evening Prayer will be said 15 minutes before all weekday Masses.

The Prayer Group meets every 'term time' Tuesday morning at 10am in the Garden Room
 Confessions are before Mass on Wednesday 6.00-6.30 pm and Saturday at 10:30am -11:00am

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for Joan Miller, Maura Wright, John Wright, Sery Mao, Anne Stanway, Christina Thomas, Geoffrey Croasdale, Katie Hawketts, Juana Pagaoa, Peter Brown, Michael Coster, Marlene Coster, Regina Mukontiene, Peter Derricourt, Mark Taylor, Eila Barnett, Teresa Barron, Michele Bendall, Anthony Potter, Sybil Chamberlin, Joan De Manby, Veronika Cook, Alice King, Robert Pitts, Oliver Rogers, Ella-Grace Honeyman, Darren Platts, Vivienne Mallet, Claire Edmeades, Richard O'Brien, Jose Monzon, Nancy Daley, Marguerite Ross, Ken Jenkin, Darren Grey, Susan Redford, Penny Bartlett, Banny Kibblewhite, Lory Brooks, Helen Freeston, Ann Bethany and Antoni Gadzicki.

Faithful Departed – please pray for Jean-Tracey Wright, Grace Field, Robert Croll, Beatrice Pratt, Handra Beales, Francis Bates, Rufus Dimelow, Michael Stuart, Laurence Anderson, James Brown, Kathleen Gilby, Vera Hedge, Gabor Peley, Evelyn Mitchell, Reginald Watson, Edward Moore, John Lowe and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: Our harvest celebration will be taking place over the week-end of September 23rd/24th. Please bring in produce of all sorts (fresh, tinned or packeted) to place in front of the altar as a sign of our thanks for all that we have. All the produce will be distributed to local charities for the homeless after the week-end.

APF Missio Red Box Holders: Can you bring your boxes to Church on either of the following weekends, 2/3rd September or 9/10th September 2017, please. Mr. Mark Knight will be taking over the collection of the Boxes in the next Financial Year. A big thank you to you all for bringing the boxes to the Church over the years. Sheila.

Confirmations: All completed forms must have been sent, along with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate, to the cathedral by August 27th. Registration takes place at the cathedral on Sunday September 3rd between the morning Masses (10-11am) and after the 11am Mass. Parents information session and final registration takes place on Sunday September 17th, 2.00-3.00pm.

A team from the Little Way Healing Ministries, based at Clare Priory, will be leading Day of renewal on Saturday 14th October. The day includes Holy Mass and Reconciliation and is at Bowthorpe Church Centre Norwich NR5 9AA. Drinks provided. Packed lunch needed. For more details see poster on contact Philip on 07910157584

Over the past five years the sale of your donated jewellery has raised more than £1000 - initially for the Garden Room and then for Ta Hen. I still have a lot to sell so, for the time being, I am unable to accept further donations. Grateful thanks to all who have given and bought. Maureen Green

Vocations to the Priesthood: There will be a meeting for all men who feel they may have a vocation to the priesthood on Saturday September 23rd at St John's Cathedral, Norwich. It will begin with Mass at 10.00am followed by lunch and discussion. Further details from Fr Pat Cleary - patrick.cleary@rcdea.org.uk 01223-704640

Norfolk Churches Trust Sponsored Cycle Ride 9th September: Paula and Michael Hughes are asking for your support. Forms and full details are available in the porch. Half of the money we raise will be allocated to our own parish. Please give before or after the event, only what you can easily afford. Thank you. Michael and Paula.

DVD Sale in aid of our twin parish of Ta Hen in Cambodia: Saturday September 16th, 12 noon-2.00pm, in the Garden Room. If you would like to donate any DVDs for the sale, please bring them to the church/Garden Room on the weekend of September 9th/10th.

Please – NO videos or CDs; DVDs only.

School Masses – Friday 9.15am in St Augustine's school hall 8th September, 22nd September, 6th October, 20th October, 1st November, 17th November, 1st December, 19th December

All items for the newsletter may be left at the presbytery (marked clearly "for newsletter" along with the date, and your name), or email newsletter@stwalstans.com. For all forms of communication, please provide a telephone number on which you can be contacted. The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 6pm.

Collections: 26th/27th August £ 677.18
Many thanks

Cambodian-Style Mass - Friday 22nd September, 7.00pm, in Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Norwich Road, North Walsham, NR28 9JP. All welcome - see poster in porch for more details.

Vocations: Monday September 4th is our monthly day of prayer for vocations. Mass for that intention will be at 09.15, followed by Exposition, ending with simple Benediction at 10.30am.

This year the Church celebrates the 100th anniversary of the appearance of Our Lady of Fatima. In May of this year Pope Francis canonised two of the shepherd children to whom Our Lady appeared, St Francisco and St Jacinta. The Church in England and Wales is blessed to be receiving a visitation of the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima together with relics of the two new saints. The visit to our Diocese will take place at our Cathedral on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th September and at Walsingham from 25th to 27th September.

First Holy Communion Programme 2018

Applications are now being accepted for the First Holy Communion Programme 2018. If your child is 8 years old by 31st August 2018 (Year 3) or older and you would like them to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion, please complete and return an application form; available from the church porch. All applications must be received by 11.30am on Sunday 24th September. If you have any questions, please speak to Fr David, Deacon Bill or call Priscilla Crane (Programme Leader) on 07876713973.

Harvest Supper on Thursday 12th October in the Garden Room, 7:00pm for 7:30pm. Tickets on sale from w/c Saturday 16th September. Cost £ 8. All proceeds in aid of "Water Aid" and "OPEN"

The Next Cake, Jam, etc. stall is on Sunday 3rd September in the Garden Room after Mass.

The Catholic Parish of Our Lady of Good Counsel & St. Peter in MARCH are holding an afternoon of Renewal on Saturday 9th September from 12 noon to 4:00pm. There will be Praise and Worship, a talk, prayer ministry, finishing with Holy Mass. Everyone welcome. Bring a shared lunch. Tea and Coffee provided.

The UCM meeting is on Tuesday 5th September in the Garden Room at 10:45. It is a get together and everybody is welcome. Your chance to see what we get up to! Committee members – our meeting will be at 9:30am.

Journey in Faith: If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic and would like to learn more about the Church, the Journey in Faith is for you. The first meeting will be held on Thursday September 7th at 7.00pm in the presbytery (behind the church).

Walsingham Annual Pilgrimage for the Sactity of Life: Sunday 17th September, led by Rt. Rev. Robert Byrne CO, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham. All are warmly invited to unite in this day of prayer. For further details see poster on noticeboard or pick up flyer from the porch.