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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th August 2017

God shows mercy to all.

The Lord named the Jews as his chosen race but many failed to recognize Jesus Christ. In his own lifetime, Jesus acknowledged that he discovered great faith in many who were outside the fold of God's chosen people. Many people in the world around us seem to have a deeper faith than we have as Christians. This can make us more aware of God's generosity to all, and give us a greater appreciation of the gift of faith.

Readings

Sundays Year A ~ Weekdays Cycle I ~ Psalms Week 4

Entrance Antiphon

**Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;
 and look on the face of your anointed one;
 one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

First Reading

I will bring foreigners to my holy mountain.

Isaiah 56:1.6-7

Responsorial Psalm

**Let the peoples praise you, O God;
 let all the peoples praise you.**

Psalm 66

Second Reading

With Israel, God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Romans 11:13-15. 23-32

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!
 The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
 says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.
 Alleluia!**

Gospel

Woman you have great faith.

Matthew 15:21-28

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 19th August	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 20th August		10.30am	Christopher Lambe RIP
Monday 21st August	St Pius X	12:00pm	Requiem Mass: Eileen Hogg
Tuesday 22nd August	The Queenship of the BVM		No Mass
Wednesday 23rd August	Feria	7.00pm	Holy Souls
Thursday 24th August	St Bartholomew	9:15am	Tony Green RIP
Friday 25th August	Feria		No Mass
Saturday 26th August	Feria	10.00am	Benigno Rivera & Josefina Gonzales Rivera
Saturday 26th August		6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 27th August	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am	Shirley Starling RIP

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 Ann Marcantonio, Ethel Carr, Eileen Kiley, Julia Snell, Mary Whitley, Francis Loades, Ronald Hunter, Thomas Connolly, Doris (Joan) Faulkner, George Laws, John McGuire, Olive Banham, Edward Trafford, Claude Gunton, Helen Tuck, Valerie Rolph, Anne Burlison and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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.

Caritas East Anglia: Caritas East Anglia is an initiative to enhance social outreach in the Diocese. There is a vacancy for a volunteer to be appointed as the Director of Caritas East Anglia. As a new appointment, the Director will have the opportunity to develop this important aspect of the diocesan mission, working with the Social Outreach Management Team to provide material support and assistance to the poor, deprived and vulnerable members of society in the Diocese. For full details, please apply by post to Caritas East Anglia, The White House, 21 Ugate, Poringland. Norfolk NR14 7SH, or call 01508492540 or by email to caritas@rcdea.org.uk.

Day of Renewal: "Transformation and Growth in The Holy Spirit", Saturday 9th September 2017 at Our Lady of Good Counsel & St. Peter, 8 St John's Road, March, Cambridgeshire PE15 8RJ, from 12.00 - 4.00pm.

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

If you have been on holiday or visiting abroad any odd coins or currency you have left over can be used to help parish funds. Also any old outdated coins or notes which you have hidden away in a drawer or attic (!) are of value. Please give them to Geoff Green or leave them in the porch.

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.

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.

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

Collections: 12th / 13th August £758.75
Many thanks

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.

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).

There will be no coffee morning on Monday 21st August. We will be back to normal on Monday 28th August. Thank you for your support, we have now donated another £100.00 to our charity e.a.c.h. Thank you so much. Honor.

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.

Costessey Funeralcare on Norwich Road are holding on September 2nd, a Car Wash in aid of Costessey Pre-school & on September 29th a Macmillan Coffee Morning & Cake Sale.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Costessey Funeralcare are to begin hosting a Bereavement Support Group on the last Thursday of every month between 3.00pm & 5.00pm. Any member of the community, not just those who have used their services, is welcome to attend.

Lady required to take me out shopping or for coffee. Must have car and be able to push wheelchair. Three hours a week £22.50. Contact Michele on 01603 865871.

NORWICH FOOD BANK have sent an up-dated list of their requirements. If you would like to contribute to the collection, please have a look at the list is in the porch so that you can provide the appropriate foods.

DEFIBRILLATOR: Stephen Wilson & the staff at West One Hair & Beauty are raising funds to purchase a defibrillator. It will be installed outside the salon so that it is accessible at any time. There is a collecting box in the porch (with a form if you can Gift Aid your donation) if you would like to contribute