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God is Love.

True love is from God. The Holy Spirit lives not only in us but also in many people who may seem to be outside the community of faith that is the Church. We show we are Christians by the generous love we show to one another and to all people, irrespective of race, colour and creed.

Readings

Sundays Year B ~ Easter ~ Psalms Week 2
Sixth Sunday of Easter
6th May 2018

Entrance Antiphon

*Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
 Proclaim to the ends of the earth:
 The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.*

First Reading

The Holy Spirit has been poured out on the pagans too.

Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Psalm 97

Second Reading

God is love.

1 John 4:7-10

Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!
 Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
 and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.
 Alleluia!"*

Gospel

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

John 15: 9-17

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday	5th May		6.00pm	Leslie Wright
Sunday	6th May	6th Sunday of Easter	10.30am	Louis Borg
Monday	7th May	Easter Feria	9.15am	Vocations
Tuesday	8th May	Easter Feria		No Mass
Wednesday	9th May	Easter Feria	7:00pm	David Vinnell R.I.P.
Thursday	10th May	The Ascension of the Lord	9.15am	Rosalind & David Woodyard
			7:00pm	Paula Carroll
Friday	11th May	Easter Feria		No Mass
			7:00pm	May Devotions
Saturday	12th May	Easter Feria	10.00am	Gillingham Family
Saturday	12th May		6:00 pm	Owen Green
Sunday	13th May	7th Sunday of Easter	10.30am	Margaret Buck R.I.P.

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 10.30-11.00am

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for Nicholas Parry, Josie Hood, Donna Edwards, Paula Carroll, Owen Green, Dorothy Rose, Therese Anne Finnie, Fr. Michael Hood, John Wright, Sery Mao, Anne Stanway, Christina Thomas, Geoffrey Croasdale, Katie Hawketts, Juana Pagaoa, Peter Brown, Michael Coster, Marlene Coster, Peter Derricourt, Mark Taylor, 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 Patrick Donlon, Nancy Carroll, Clarence Wilson, Graham Thurlow, Aubrey Jeckell, Veronica Peterson, Daphne Sparkes, Olive Utting, Walter Jackson, James Lenehan, Thomas Paston, Patrick Marley, Linda Moore, Audrey Kelly, Conchita Board, Malcolm Francis, Ana Colovic, Ken Sear, Mary Chettleborough, Glen Haylet, Shaun Green and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Ascension: Thursday May 10th is the Solemnity of the Ascension and is a holyday of obligation. For the past few years this celebration has been moved to Sunday, so please note that it is back on Thursday. There will be two Masses at St Walstan's - 9.15am (when we will be joined by key stage 2 from the school) and 7.00pm.

Joint Service: There will be a joint service for the solemnity of Pentecost at the Methodist church on Norwich Road at 3.00pm on Sunday May 20th. Please do come along to join with our other Christian brothers and sisters for a time of worship and socialising.

Bawburgh Pilgrimage: The annual walk to St Walstan's Well at Bawburgh will take place on Sunday May 27th. Walkers - and PLEASE let's have more! - will leave St Walstan's at 2.00pm, arriving at the well at about 3.30. There will be a short service at 4.00pm, followed by a picnic. If you are unable to walk, please join us at the well.

World War One: As part of their display on the Heritage Days in September the cathedral would like to hear from any descendants, or anyone who remembers, those from our parish who gave their lives in the Great War - George Banham, Fred Denny, Michael Forestall, Ernest Harvey and Joseph Goward. Please contact Eileen Limacher on eileen@limacher.org.uk or 01603-746004.

Northern Saints Youth Pilgrimage July 24th – 29th 2018

The Ignite Team is leading a pilgrimage to York, Durham, Lindisfarne and Iona. For those age 16-35. For more information, see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth. Booking must be received by 15th June.

Defibrillator: The target of £1800 has now been raised (and exceeded) so the defibrillator should be in place in Old Costessey in the next few weeks. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

May Devotions: every Friday in May, 7pm, in the church. A relaxing and prayerful half-hour in which to let the week ease gently away.

CHURCH GRASS CUTTING Due to illness and work commitment we urgently require help to keep the grounds neat and tidy. Can you please spare time for 1 to 2 hours every 2/3 weeks to help. This would be very much appreciated. Please contact Roy on 743343 Thank you.

St Walstan's Well, Queen's Hill: We will be visiting this well, on the golf course site, on Sunday May 13th. A coach will leave St Walstan's at 2.15pm, returning at approx. 3.30pm. Seats are limited to 26. Please add your name to the list in the porch if you would like to join us on this mini-pilgrimage.

Diocesan Summer Camp for children ages 8-14, Friday August 24th-Monday 27th, at Moreton Hall School, Bury St Edmunds. Further details on www.facebook.com/diocesansummercamps Fr David has booking forms.

Marriage and Family Celebration Mass: Bishop Alan warmly invites all married and engaged couples to attend a special Mass at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich on Saturday, 16th June 2018, 12 noon, followed by light refreshments. There is a list in the porch for those with anniversaries who are planning to attend.

Collections: 28th /29th April £
Many thanks

Vocations: Monday May 7th is our monthly day of prayer for vocations. Mass will be at 9.15am, followed by Exposition, ending with simple Benediction at 10.30am.

Benedictine Meeting on Thursday 10th May in the Garden room from 11:00 to 15:00. All Welcome

Parking: When coming to church - or on the school run - if you park on the neighbouring streets, please do not block access to the houses and drives. There have also been a number of complaints about drivers being rude to local people. Always remember the Golden Rule and treat others as you would want them to treat you. Thank you. Fr David

The next cake, jam and bring and buy is on Sunday 6th May in the Garden Room after Mass. All proceeds to Mary's Meals and Blood Bikes.

School Masses: Just a reminder that parishioners are welcome to attend the Masses that are celebrated at St Augustine's School

Inviting ALL young people in Year 8 upwards to the Ignite Festival May 5th-6th. Come and experience your faith in a new and dynamic way at the Ignite Festival. The weekend will include powerful talks, passionate prayer, live music and lots of fun stuff including sumo suit wrestling! See www.ignitefestival.co.uk for more information.

Interested in joining the Ignite Team?

Are you leaving school or university this summer, in between jobs or would like to do something 'different'? The Diocesan Youth Service is looking for people age 18 - 30 to join the Ignite Team from September 2018 - August 2019 (full time). The team share the Gospel Message with young people in a way they can relate to including using music, drama and tech. Accommodation, food, and a monthly allowance are provided. For more information email: igniteteam@rcdea.org.uk

Celebrate East Anglia June 2nd and 3rd Bury St Edmunds.

Faith-filled, fun weekend for all ages, combining contemporary Christian music, inspirational speakers, workshops, celebration of Mass, children's and youth ministry, and much more. Come and Celebrate your faith! See www.celebrateconference.org and click on 'East Anglia' for more information.

School Masses – Summer Term 2018

18th May, 8th June, 22nd June
29th June, 13th July, 20th July

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