

Coffee and tea in church after Mass. Please stay.
11.30 P.C.C. Lunch and meeting in Church.

18th September, 2022

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, MENDLESHAM
25th of Year C

This week: Divine Office - Psalter week 1.

Mon: 6.00pm. FUNERAL REQUIEM - HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II
(no 9.30 Mass that morning)

Tues. St. Andrew Kim Taegon
9.30 Mass (Prov. 21 v 1-6,10-13; Luke 8 v.19-21)
Int: Church in Korea.
10.00-12.00 Coffee and cake etc in church

Wed. ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE (Feast)
8:00 Mass (Eph.4 v 1-7,11-13; Matt. 9 v. 9-13)
Int: Ordinands.

Thurs. 9.30 Mass (Eccles. 1 v 2-13; Luke 9 v.7-9)
Int: All in prison.

Fri. Votive Mass of our Lady of Walsingham
9.30 Mass (Acts 1 v 12-14; Luke 1v.26-38) Int: Walsingham
10.15 Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 9.00 OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM *(not at 10.00)*
1st Mass of Sunday. (Readings as on Sunday)
Int: Christian Aid

Next Sunday: - 26th of Year C
9.30am Parish Mass & Address
(Amos 6 v. 4-7; 1 Tim. 6 v. 11-16; Luke 16 v. 19-31.)

NOTICES:

1. Please sign for the Walsingham Pilgrimage on Thursday 6th October.
2. **Please note change of time of Saturday's Mass to 9.00.** This is because Fr. Philip is preaching in Buckinghamshire in the afternoon.
3. The blessing of clothing, blankets, socks, etc. for the homeless will be on Sunday 2nd October at 9.30
4. Next Tour of Church is Saturday 8th October 2.00 – 4.00.

Prayer on the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II

Gracious God, we give thanks for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth, for her faith and her dedication to duty.

Bless our nation as we mourn her death and may her example continue to inspire us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

And may her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace +

Theme: A Christian can have only one God in his life, our Father in heaven. You can only know God through Jesus Christ, the revelation of God. Anything in our lives that comes between us and Him is idolatry.

Entrance Hymn: 253 v. 1-4.

PENITENTIAL RITE:

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, when we misuse money and make it our god. Lord have mercy. **People:(sing) Kyrie Eleison** *(Ukrainian setting)*

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, when we divide people rather than unite them. Christ have mercy. **People: Christe Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for the times when authority corrupts and degrades us. Lord have mercy. **People: Kyrie Eleison**

CELEBRANT PROCLAIMS GOD'S FORGIVENESS

GLORIA: St Thomas setting – on paper.

OPENING PRAYER: *Let us pray that we will grow in the love of God and of one another.* Father, guide us as you guide creation according to your law of love. May we love one another and come to perfection in the eternal life prepared for us.

LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD:

1st Reading: Amos 8 v. 4-7. Amos denounces the shifty business practices of his day. What God says about them, He also is saying to us about our own materialism and dishonesty.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 112

® **Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.**

Alleluia!

Praise, O servants of the Lord,

praise the name of the Lord!

May the name of the Lord be blessed

both now and for ever! ®

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.

Who is like the Lord, our God,

who has risen on high to his throne

yet stoops from the heights to look down,

to look down upon the earth? ®

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dung heap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. ® **Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.**

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2 v. 1-8. We need to pray that rulers and governments consider not only national self-interest but justice to all men.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Gospel Hymn: 253 v. 5 & 6.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the word of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 16 v. 10-13. Jesus reminds us that we cannot be the slave both of God and of money. We are called to use this world's goods on trust. The steward is commended not for dishonesty but for energy and resourcefulness.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

ADDRESS CREED: Apostles' Creed (page 8 of hymn book).

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:

Celebrant: St Paul asks for prayer to be offered especially for those in authority. Let us pray for those who govern and for the whole community of mankind.

Reader: We pray for the people of our nation, that all may live in peace, free from oppression or prejudice.

Lord have mercy on those in the world "who trample on the needy and suppress the poor people," that they may turn from wrongdoing and promote justice and harmony. We pray for the people of Ukraine.

Let us pray Neal and Emily married yesterday at Little Finborough. May they be true to God and to each other.

We pray for all who hold ministries in the church and ask that they may fulfil their obligations with joy and peace and for Fr. Philip keeping his ordination anniversary this week.

Let us pray for all the Royal family in their bereavement and all who have lost loved ones; for all concerned with the dying and bereaved, especially nurses, doctors, undertakers, registrars and priests, that they may find words and actions that are truly comforting.

Let us pray for King Charles and his government; that they may see their call and mission to help the poor and deprived.

Let us pray that Christians may set an example to all by the way they gladly share with those who lack even the bare necessities. We pray for the Norwich Night Shelter, Christian Aid and the Stowmarket Food Bank.

Let us pray for those who are sick; for all anointed at Thursday's healing service and for all those remembered in Shrine prayers

Let us pray for those who have died, that they may join the saints in the presence of God, especially HM Queen Elizabeth, to be buried tomorrow, and Herbert Nash, Harold Baully, Rosemary Double, Mabel Baker, Pip Pelham, Alwyn Vincent, Dennis Baker, Kathleen Webb, Sally Sanderson, Reginald Tye, Thomas O'Connor, Sylvia Lummis and Dennis Ward, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Let us ask Mary to pray with us - **Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with Thee. Blessed art thou among woman and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

S I L E N C E

All: Father, we are surrounded by the works of your hands; we pray that they may be put to good use, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: 49 v. 1 & 2.
SANCTUS: St Thomas setting

Offertory Prayers: v. 3 – end.
Mystery of Faith:- St Thomas setting

**Blessed & praised be Jesus Christ in the most holy Sacrament,
Hosannah, Hosannah, Hosannah in excelsis.**

(Mass continues – Lord's Prayer etc. page 11.)

AGNUS DEI: St Thomas Setting.

Hymns at Holy Communion: 145 and 460. Please join in.

Hymn at Ablutions: 134.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER ANGELUS (Front of Hymn book) Notices
NATIONAL ANTHEM BLESSING**

Recessional Hymn: 119