Please stay to tea/coffee in Church. Marjorie & Marcel invite you to wine & cake to celebrate their diamond wedding.

THIS WEEK - Divine office - Psalter Week 2

Mon: S.S. Cosmas & Damien

9.30 am Mass (Job 1 v. 16-22; Luke 9 v. 46-50)

Int: Doctors & Surgeons.

Tues: St. Vincent de Paul

9:30 am Mass (Job 3 v. 1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Luke 9 v. 51-56)

Int: All Carers. 10.30 – 12.30: Coffee and cake in church

Wed: St. Wenceslaus

9;30 am Mass (Job 9 v. 1-12, 14-16; Luke 9 v. 57-62)

Int: HM King Charles & his Government.

2:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal.

Thurs: S.S. MICHAEL, GABRIEL, RAPHAEL (Feast)

9:00 am Mass

(Dan 7 v. 9-10, 13-14, or Rev 12 v. 7-12; John 1 v. 47-51)

Int: Those being ordained at Michaelmass.

Fri: St Jerome

9:30 am Mass (Job 38 v. 1, 12-21, 40 v. 3-5; Luke 10 v. 13-16)

Int: Better knowledge & love of Scripture.

10:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux

10:00 am 1st Mass of Sunday (Readings as tomorrow).

Int Mission of Church.

2:00 pm Wedding Emma Howlett & Chris Groom.

Next Sunday – 27TH OF YEAR C

9.30 am Parish Mass and Address &

Blessing of Clothes etc for the homeless

(Heb 1 v. 2-3, 2 v. 2-4; II Tim 1 v. 6-8; 13-14; Luke 17 v. 5-10)

3.00 pm Harvest at U.R.C Chapel.

Notices

- 1. Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday 9 Oct.
- 2. Pilgrimage to Walsingham will be Thurs 6 Oct please sign today.
- 3. Next Tour of Church: Sat 8 Oct, 2:00 4:00 pm.
- 4. List in church for November Candles to be blessed on Sun 30 Oct.
- 5. Blessing of clothes, blankets & toiletries for St Martin's Norwich: next Sun 9:30
- 6. Please note: Michaelmass Mass (Thurs 29th) is at 9:00 am, not 9:30 as in magazine.

PARISH CHURCH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN MENDLESHAM 26th of Year C

THEME: Jesus certainly had no sympathy with those who prefer their riches and comfort to His message. The Gospel message does not promise comfort and success, but only to follow in the way of Him who first died and then rose again.

Entrance Hymn: 35 v. 1-3

PENITENTIAL RITE

Celebrant Forgive us, Lord, for we do not know ourselves as we are. Lord have

mercy. People:(sing) Kyrie Eleison (Ukrainian setting)

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, because we do not want to hear what the prophets

teach us. Christ have mercy. People: Christe Eleison

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, because we allow injustice and strife to flourish in

our environment. Lord have mercy. People: Kyrie Eleison CELEBRANT PROCLAIMS GOD'S FORGIVENESS

GLORIA: St Thomas setting – on paper.

OPENING PRAYER: Let us pray for God's forgiveness and for the happiness it brings. Father, you show your almighty power in your mercy and forgiveness. continue to fill us with your gifts of love. Help us to hurry towards the eternal life you promise and come to share in the joys of your kingdom.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading - Amos 6 v. 1; 4-7. The self-indulgent use of wealth that shows no concern for the suffering of the poor is bound to lead to the disintegration of society.

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

Responsorial Psalm - Ps. 145 ® My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. ®

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who is just to those who are oppressed. who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. ®

> 3. The Lord upholds the widow and the orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God from age to age. ®

<u>Second Reading - 1 Timothy 6 v. 11-16.</u> The love of money is the root of all evils. People who long to be rich get trapped in foolish ambitions.

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

Gospel Hymn: 35 v. 4 & 5

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

<u>Gospel - Luke 16 v. 19-31.</u> Responsibility goes hand-in-hand with wealth. Constant concern for others is the only safe-guard against the blindness and hardness of heart that can befall those who are preoccupied with growing rich.

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

Blessing of Marjorie and Marcel for 60 years of marriage.

Address Creed: Nicene – Page 7 in Hymn Book.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: God's word reminds us that the first in the Kingdom are the poor and

helpless. Let us pray for them and for all mankind.

<u>Reader:</u> We pray for all, including ourselves, who have an abundance of this world's goods; that we may not be overwhelmed by our possessions.

Let us pray for all who see the most important goal in life as economic gain; that all may be led to see a deeper purpose in our existence.

Let us pray that we may be generous, and that our generosity will inspire others to be generous.

Let us pray for Marjorie and Marcel who are celebrating their Diamond wedding anniversary at this time. May the life they have shared together for 60 years be a sign to them and to others of God's abiding love for his children.

Let us pray for the Christian Church, that it may truly serve the world, and proclaim God's love, not only by word, but also through action.

Let us pray for the sick that they shall be comforted: we pray for Julie Gray, Jan Ross, Lucy Muskett, Jan Robinson and all prayed for at Shrine prayers.

Let us pray for the dead that they will be received into the Kingdom of Heaven, especially Christopher Allen, Pat Sawyer, Muriel Coxworthy, Anthony Giraud-Saunders, Helen Hendry, William Stobart, John Spenser, Roly Baker, Thelma Sawyer, Alan Kitchen and Doris Clements, whose anniversaries are at this time.

Mary in her poverty was an agent of God's riches. May she pray with us as we say - Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women 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.

SILENCE

<u>All</u> God of love, you sustain your Church and give it life through the dedicated service of your priests. Trusting in your providence, we ask you to grant these prayers in the name of Jesus the Lord.

Offertory Hymn: 264 v. 1 Offertory Prayers Hymn: 264 v. 2 and 3

(Mass continues on p.9 of Hymn Book)

SANCTUS: St Thomas setting Mystery of Faith: St Thomas setting

Blessed and Praised be Jesus Christ in the most Holy Sacrament. Hosanna! Hosanna in excelsis

(Mass continues p 11 of Hymn Book – Lord's Prayer etc.)

AGNUS DEI: St Thomas setting

Holy Communion is now given in 2 kinds. If you do not wish to receive from the chalice, please bow your head as it passes by. Communicants of other denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are not a Communicant, you are welcome to go to the altar rail for a blessing; please carry a hymn book.

Hymns at Holy Communion. Please join in 353; 289

Hymn at Ablutions - 211

Post communion Prayer Angelus Notices Blessing

Recessional Hymn – 104