

Tea and coffee in Church after Mass – all welcome

This Week ~ Divine office ~ Psalter Week 1

Mon St Cyril of Alexandria

9.30am Mass (Amos 2v 6-10; 13-16; Matt 8v 18-22)
Int: People of Europe

Tues St. Ireneus

9.30am (Amos 3v.1-8, 4v.11-12; Matt 8v.23-27)
Int: Persecuted Christians
10:30-12:30 Coffee in Church.

Wed S.S. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES (Solemnity)

9.30am Mass (Acts 12 v 1-11; 2 Tim 4 v 6-8, 17-18; Matt 16 v 13-19)
7:30pm Sung Mass (Readings as above)
Shared refreshments after Mass
Int: Parish and Congregation

Thurs 1st Martyrs of Rome

9.30am Mass (Amos 7v.10-17, Matt 9v.1-8). Int: All prisoners
7.30pm Deanery Synod - Stowmarket

Fri 9.30am Mass . Int: Christian Unity

(Amos 8 v 4-6, 9-12; Matt 9 v 9-13)

Sat 10:00am 1st Mass of Sunday - Int: Additional Curates' Society
(Readings as on Sunday)

11:00am Sacrament of Reconciliation.

2:30pm Tour of Round Towered churches – Stuston, Wortham & Roydon

Next Sunday - 14th OF YEAR C

9.30am Parish Mass and Address
(Is 66v.10-14; Gal 6v. 14-18; Luke 10v.1-12, 17-20)

NOTICES:

1. Please make every effort to observe S.S. Peter & Paul, Founders of the Church on Wed 29th June.
2. Thank you to Sue Palmer for restoring the cover to our Holy Water Stoup.
3. Next healing Service – 4th July at 2:30pm.
4. On Wed 6th July – 6pm Sung Mass for Centenary of Restoration of Statute of Our Lady of Walsingham.
5. Friends of St. Mary's – Strawberry Teas – 2:00-5:00, South Churchyard 9th July.

26th June 2022

PARISH CHURCH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN MENDLESHAM

13th of Year C

THEME: In the Mass today we hear Christ's call to follow him. This is the way to freedom and fulfillment in our hearts. He will free us from enslavement to evil and allow us to grow freely in his love.

Blessing of renewed cover for holy water stoup. Entrance Hymn:**260 v 1 -3**

PENITENTIAL RITE

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, when we are afraid to abandon ourselves into your hands. Lord have mercy. **People:** (sing) **Kyrie Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for the times when we fear to say, "I love you."
Christ have mercy. **People: Christe Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, when we are half hearted in our Christian commitment. Lord have mercy. **People: Kyrie Eleison**
Celebrant proclaims God's forgiveness

GLORIA – Sanctus setting – words and music on laminated sheet

OPENING PRAYER: *Let us pray that Christ may be our light.* Father, you call your children to walk in the light of Christ. Free us from darkness and keep us in the radiance of your truth.

LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading ~ 1 Kings 19 v 16, 19~21 The Lord tells the prophet Elijah to choose Elisha as his successor. Elisha accepts the call and follows him.

The Lord said to Elijah, 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

Responsorial Psalm @ Oh Lord, it is you who are my portion

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord, "You are my God."
O Lord it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.®

3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad
even my body shall rest in safety For you will
not leave my soul among the dead
Nor let your beloved know decay. ® .

2. I will bless the Lord who gives me
counsel,
Who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight;
Since he is at my right hand, I shall
stand firm. ®

4. You will show me the path of life,
The fullness of joy in your presence,
At your right hand happiness for ever.
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Second Reading ~ Galatians 5 v 1, 13~18 Jesus calls us to a life of liberty ~ the freedom of the Son's of God, living by the one law of love.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

Gospel Hymn: **260 v 4**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel ~ Luke 9 v 51~62 Once Jesus has called us into freedom, away from every attachment, those who return to previous attachments are most foolish.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me', replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say goodbye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Anointing of Churchwardens Andrew & Chris

ADDRESS

CREED Apostle's Creed (P8)

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: The Lord calls us to follow him with loving and generous hearts. Let us pray for our needs and the needs of the whole world that we may together as one family follow our Saviour.

Reader: Let us pray for all who are called to lead us within the church. May they always rejoice in the freedom to reveal the love of the Lord.

Let us pray for all Christian people; that the Father will give us the grace to break

all chains of slavery to sin and live in the freedom of His love.

Let us pray for those with no sense of direction in their lives; that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit so that his grace will light up the true way which leads to Christ and salvation.

We pray for God's guidance on Samuel and Eliza, soon to be married; may they grow in the love of Christ.

Let us pray for those being ordained deacon and priest today. May they always serve their brothers and sisters and so follow the example of Jesus who washed the feet of his disciples.

May he who made the blind to see, the lame to walk and the deaf to hear be with us in our prayers. We pray not for ourselves, but those who are in need ~for Lucy Muskett, Jan Robinson, Jan Ross and Julie Gray

Let us pray for all those who have died that they may rejoice to share eternal life in the freedom of the Lord ~ especially Leonard Phillips, Hazel Baker, Henry Allen, Evelyn Kitchen, Russell Fenning, Frank Taylor, Hilda Riley, Nancy Fenning, Herbert Spalding, Jack O'Brien, Colin Skilling, Maldwyn Williams, Ron Abbott and John Fisher, whose anniversaries are at this time.

We ask Mary, the Mother of all God's people to pray with us. **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

All: **God our Father, thank you for calling us to be your children in union with Christ, our Saviour. Teach us to value one another in the freedom that you have given us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory Hymn: **218 v.1-2**

Offertory Prayers Hymn 218 v.3 - end

Sanctus - Sanctus setting

Mystery of Faith no1

After Eucharistic Prayer ~ **Blessed and Praised be Jesus Christ, in the most Holy sacrament. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in excelsis**

Mass continues p.11 **Lord's Prayer** etc. **Agnes Dei** – Sanctus setting

If you wish to be blessed at Communion, please come to the altar carrying a hymn book.

Hymns at Holy Communion: Please join in. **460, 122**

Hymn at Ablutions ~ **104**

Post communion Prayer

Angelus

Blessing

Recessional Hymn ~ **293 v 1&2**

Prayer before Sacred Heart: **All: Father, you make your love known to us through the heart of Jesus. As we walk through the valley of darkness may we experience the warmth of his love. Hear this through the same Christ our Lord.** Fr Philip: Most sacred heart of Jesus. **All: Have mercy upon us**

Hymn **293 v3&4**