

Tea/Coffee in church after Mass – please stay if you can

This Week: Divine office - Psalter Week 3

Mon: 9.30am Mass Int: Disabled people
(Col.1v.24 – 2v.3. Luke 6 v.6-11)

Tues: 9.30am Mass (Col 6 v 6-15; Luke 6 v 12-19)
Intention: Ministry of deliverance
10.30 - 12.30 Coffee in Church

Wed: **BIRTHDAY OF OUR LADY**
8.00: Mass (Micah 5v.1-4. Matt 1v.1-16, 18-23)
Intention: Society of Mary

Thurs: 9.30am Mass (Col 3 v.12-17 ; Luke 6 v 27 – 28)
Intention: Victims of abuse

Fri: 9.30am Mass (2 Tim.1v.1-2,12-14; Luke 6 v.39-42.)
Int: Christian Unity
6.00 pm: Tour of Church (but not armoury) by Fr Philip. £5 incl.
refreshments.

Sat Ride and Stride Day
10.00am 1st Mass of Sunday
4.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Int: Ride and Stride Day Readings as Sunday

Next Sunday : 24TH YEAR B
9.30am Parish Mass & Address.
(Isaiah 50 v 5-9; James 2 v 14-18; Mark 8 v 27-35)
5.00pm Evensong at Mundon, Essex – Friends of Friendless Churches
Preacher – Fr Philip

1. Please support our tour of the church on Friday and encourage others to come.
2. Ride and Stride for the church is on Saturday. More people needed to sign in visitors please, Anne is cycling – please support her if you can. Half sponsor money goes to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and half to the Friends of St Mary's.
3. Please support Friends of St. Mary's Coffee Morning on Tuesday – 10.30 – 12.30
4. The PCC will meet in church at 11.30 on Sunday 19th September
5. List on table for people to take part in the Offertory procession.
6. Auntie Jean was 90 last Monday. Happy Birthday!

Please take this bulletin home with you.

5th September 2021

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, MENDLESHAM
23rd Year B

THEME : Christ is the great healer, not just of our physical ailments but of the whole man and it is at Mass that we most completely join ourselves to His one sacrifice, by which all mankind is healed and redeemed from sin.

Entrance Hymn : 60 v. 1 - 4

PENITENTIAL RITE

Celebrant : Forgive us, Lord, when we do not come to you for healing.
Lord have mercy. People : **LORD HAVE MERCY**

Celebrant : Forgive us, Lord, when we can't be bothered to help each other.
Christ have mercy. People : **CHRIST HAVE MERCY**

Celebrant : Forgive us, Lord, when we are deaf to your call.
Lord have mercy. People : **LORD HAVE MERCY**

Celebrant proclaims God's forgiveness

GLORIA - Sanctus setting

OPENING PRAYER : *Let us pray that we may realise the freedom God has given us in making us his sons and daughters.* God our Father, you redeem us and make us your children in Christ. Look upon us, give us true freedom and bring us to the inheritance you promise.

LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading - Isaiah 35 v.4-7.

The deaf, the blind, the lame will recover the full use of their faculties; this is the new creation, which Jesus, the Messiah, will bring about.

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.

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

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.®

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. ®

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.

® **My soul give praise to the Lord.**

Second Reading - James 2v.1-5 Social standing isn't very impressive to God, nor should it be to those who wish to see the world as God does.

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

Gospel Hymn: 60 v. 5

Acclamation (all) **Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

Gospel - Mark 7v.31-37. Christ's miracles on behalf of God's people, the Jews, were surprising enough: but here we find him doing the same sought of things for pagans when they turn to him.

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

ADDRESS CREED: p7 Hymn Book

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant : The disciples of Jesus were amazed by the signs he gave them. Let us pray that his people today may be a sign to the world.

Reader: Let us pray that we may make the love of God the foundation of our lives and express it in willingness to help others.

Let us pray that the power and knowledge of people's command may be used in the service of God and the whole world.

Let us pray that our homes and places of work may be filled with the light and joy of God's presence. May we see in everyone we meet a sign of God's love.

Let us pray for all relief workers in deprived areas of the world; for work amongst refugees and deprived children; that they may see the person of Christ in their ministry to each other and be encouraged to continue their healing work with patience, compassion and skill.

Let us pray for all afflicted with difficulties of speech or hearing. May they come to the Lord for help and healing

We pray for all institutions that look after the disabled. Let them follow the highest principles of human compassion and never look on patients as a burden, but equal members with a dignity of their own.

Let us pray for all who are sick especially Doug Hales, Jimmy Pipe, Lucy Muskett, Julie Gray and all who went on the Pilgrimage to Walsingham last week for healing and renewal.

Be mindful of the dead, especially those we have known. We pray Stanley Tyte, James Hickford, Gladys Mills, Gordon Deverell, Eileen Juby, Margaret Hickford, Lilian Doyle, Percy Blythe Brook, Millicent Taylor, Louis Giraud and Dorothy Parsons whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

We pray that Mary's intercession will help the voice of Jesus to be heard throughout the world. **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: **Heavenly Father, help your people to use your gifts wisely and generously so that the world may see in them a reflection of your glory. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory Hymn : 629 v. 1 & 2 Offertory Prayers : v.3 & 4

SANCTUS: Sanctus setting

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

AGNUS DEI: Sanctus setting

Hymn at Holy Communion. Please join in: 227 + 340

Hymn at Ablutions: 477

Post Communion Prayer and Angelus

Recessional Hymn : 104