

Coffee / Tea in church after Mass.

PARISH CHURCH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN MENDLESHAM
28th of Year B HARVEST THANKSGIVING

This week - Divine office - Psalter Week 1

Mon Votive Mass of St. Luke
 1.30 - 2.25 Exposition of Blessed Sacrament for silent prayer.
 2.30 Mass, Laying on of Hands & anointing for healing.
 (II Timothy 4 v10-17; Luke 10 v1-9)

Tues. Translation of Our Lady of Walsingham
 9.30 Mass Int: Society of Our Lady of Walsingham
 (II Samuel 6 v2,5,12-17; Luke 1 v26-38)
 10.00 - 12.00 Teas, Coffee Cake in Church

Wed St Margaret Mary
 8.00 Mass (Gal 5v.18-25; Luke 11v.42-46).
 Int: Greater love of Our Lord

Thurs **St. Ignatius**
 9.30 Mass (Eph 1 v 1-10; Lke 11 v 47-54)
 Int: All who suffer for their faith.

Fri **St. Luke Evangelist (Feast)**
 9.30 Mass (II Tim 4 v10-17; Luke 10 v1-9)
 Int: Doctors, Nurses, Health Workers

Sat 10.00 1st Mass of Sunday Int: Fishermen & All seafarers
 (Readings as Sunday)
 4.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Next Sunday - - 29th of Year B

9.30 Parish Mass and Address
 (Isaiah 53 v.10-11; Hebrews 4 v.12-13; Mark 10 v.17-30.)

1. Friends of St Mary's boxes are dedicated on 27th Oct - Dedication Festival of our church
2. Orders for November candles close on 20th Oct.
- 3 On 31st Oct at 6.30pm Sung Mass for All Saints with shared refreshments after.
4. Thank you to all who have decorated the church and given food, toiletries, bedding and clothes for the people cared for by St Martin's Housing Trust, Norwich.

THEME: The theme of this Mass is to do with riches - the riches of wisdom, not merely on an intellectual plane but also in ethical and moral values, riches in the good of this world and, lastly, the greatest possible riches - possessing Christ.

Entrance Hymn: 55 v. 1 - 3

PENITENTIAL RITE

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have failed to listen to the wisdom of God. Lord have mercy.

People: *(sing)* **KYRIE ELEISON** *(Ukrainian setting)*

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have chosen worldly possessions instead of the richness of Christ's promise. Christ have mercy.

People: **CHRISTE ELEISON**

Celebrant: Forgive us for the times we have believed we could hide from God.
 Lord have mercy. People: **KYRIE ELEISON**

Gloria – John Allen's new setting - words on sheet

OPENING PRAYER: Lord, we thank you for the harvest which earth has produced for the good of man. These gifts witness to your infinite love; may the seeds of charity and justice also bear fruit in our hearts. **Amen**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading - Wisdom 7 v. 7-11 God offers us the gift of wisdom through which we can see that wealth and power are as nothing compared to His presence.

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 89 @ **"Fill us with your love that we may rejoice"**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.
 Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants.®

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
 Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune.®

Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on your children.
 Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands®

Second Reading - Hebrews 4 v. 12 - 13 Like a well sharpened sword, the word of God cuts to the heart of our values and outlook, judging even our most secret emotions and thoughts. We take God's riches, freely given, but we have to account for our stewardship.

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Hymn: 55 v. 4

Alleluia! Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel - Mark 10 v. 17-27 In the Gospel, Jesus invites a man to stake everything on Him. But he is not prepared to take the risk.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Blessing of Harvest Gifts

Address Creed - Nicene. P.7 of hymn book

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: The rich young man turned away from Jesus because he felt too much had been asked of him. Let us pray for a spirit of courage and response in people today.

Reader: Let us pray that we will not be obsessed by the desire for wealth or trapped in the snare of selfishness and greed, but be secure in God's love, learn to use our material goods wisely and recognize that wealth alone will not bring us serenity and peace of soul.

Let us pray that we may not ask for the things we do not need but accept the gifts God gives us and use them wisely to give joy to those who have nothing.

We pray for Christian Aid and the Stowmarket Foodbank.

Lord, bless those who work for the poor and homeless, the sick, and all who feel rejected. We pray especially for St Martin's Housing Trust in Norwich.

Let us pray for our King and Government; that they may make the needs of the poor the main priority of their policies. May rich nations use their wealth not to accumulate more but to serve the growth of a new world of justice.

Let us pray for a greater love of the person of Christ, that we may surrender everything of ourselves in order to follow Him, who alone is the treasure of our lives.

Let us pray for all farmers, farmworkers and fishermen and all who have laboured to provide food from land and sea.

Let us pray for the sick – Ralph and Daphne Lambert, Anna Horsnell, Penny Sugden, Ian Andrews, Jan Ross, Andrew & Julie Gray, all prayed for at Shrine Prayers and all to be anointed tomorrow at our healing service. May they be sustained and strengthened by the power of prayer.

Let us pray for those who have died, especially Frederick Button, David Le Grys, Helen Mitchard, Mary Burrows, Tom Lockwood, Jessica Walker, Arthur Pipe, Alice Lebbell, George Pollard, Bertie Woods, Jessie Tasker and William Burney, whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they know the final liberation from material things in God's nearer presence.

We ask Mary who cared for our Lord, to teach us to care for all who entrusted to 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 Father may your people respond to your son's call to follow him and never hold back. We make this prayer in His name, Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Mass continues on p9 of hymn book

Offertory Hymn: 264 v.1

Offertory Prayers Hymn 264 vv 2-3

Sanctus & Mystery of Faith: John Allen's new setting

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

Agnus Dei: John Allen's new setting

Communicants of other Christian denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are not a Communicant and/or would like a blessing, please bring a hymn book to the altar.

Hymns at Holy Communion – Be still, for the presence of the Lord & **460**

Hymn at Ablutions - **211**

Post Communion Prayer

Angelus

Notices

Blessing

Recessional Hymn – **346**