

Tea/Coffee in Church after Mass. Please stay.
 Today Tower of Norfolk Churches. 2.30 Thurning, Guestwick, Hindolveston and
 Melton Constable.

PARISH CHURCH OF ST.MARY THE VIRGIN MENDLESHAM
Fifth Sunday of EASTERTIDE of Year C

This week-Divine Office-Psalter Week 1

- Mon** 9.30am Requiem Mass May Anniversaries (28 Is 35 v3-6; Matt 14 v 22-33)
- Tues.** 9.30am Mass (Acts 14 v.19-28; John 14 v.27-31.) Int: Christian Aid week.
 10.30-12.30 Coffee in Church
- Wed** 8.00am Mass (Acts 15 v 1-6; John 15 v 1-8.) Int: Guild of All Souls
 conference.
- Thurs** Guild of All Souls Conference at Walsingham.
 No Mass at Mendlesham. (Acts 15 v.7-21; John 15 v.9-11.)
 Int: All who have lost children.
- Fri** 9.30am Mass (Acts 15 v. 22-31; John 15 v. 12-17)
 7.00 pm Tour of the Church
 Int: All who harvest the sea.
- Sat** 10.00am 1st Mass of Sunday (Readings as on Sunday)
 10.00 – 12.00: Christian Aid Coffee Morning in URC Chapel
 4.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Int: All who work on the land

Next Sunday - 6th OF EASTER (Rogation Sunday)

9.30 Parish Mass and Address
 (Acts 15 v. 1-2, 22-29; Rev 21 v.10-14, 22-23: John 14 v. 23-29)

NOTICES:

1. The next healing service will be 24th of May.
2. Ascension Day Thursday 26 May
3. Said Mass on Eve – Wed 25 May at 7.30 pm; Mass said on Thurs 26 May at 9:30 and sung 7.30pm with refreshments after.
4. List on Table for help with the jubilee event in Church and the South Churchyard on Friday 3 June 12.30- 5.00pm
5. All A.C.S Boxes should be in by today.
6. The Churn is for Christian Aid 15 May -29 May and it will then be for Ukraine. Online donations can be made via:
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/caw1>
7. Please encourage people to attend the tour of the Church-Friday 7.00pm £5 per adult inc refreshments.

THEME: In this Mass we celebrate in a special way God's re-creation of the universe through Christ. The church, a community of the new covenant united by the one commandment of love, is a sign or sacrament of this new creation.

Entrance hymn : 184 v. 1 Prayer for the dead in Holy Cross Chapel – v 2-4

PENITENTIAL RITE

Celebrant : Forgive us, Lord, for our unwillingness to be open to one another.

Lord have mercy. **People:** (sing) **Kyrie Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us Lord for failing to see the generosity of your love. Christ have mercy

People: (sing) **Christe Eleison**

Celebrant : Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have been too tired to care how others feel. Lord have mercy. **People:** (sing) **Kyrie Eleison**

Sanctus Gloria – words on laminated sheet

OPENING PRAYER: *Let us pray that we may enjoy true freedom.* God our Father, look upon us with love. You redeem us and make us your children in Christ. Give us true freedom and bring us to the inheritance you promised.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading - Acts 14 v. 21-27.

Paul and Barnabas visit the Churches and put new heart into the disciples.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144: **® I will bless your name forever, O God my King.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
 slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all,
 compassionate to all His creatures.®

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
 and your friends shall repeat their blessing They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God,
 to make known to men your mighty deeds.
 And the glorious splendour of your reign. ®

Yours is an everlasting kingdom
your rule lasts from age to age. **© I will bless your name forever, O God my King.**

Second Reading - Revelations 21 v. 1-5 John sees the new heaven and the new earth which will result from the establishment of God's Kingdom.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

Gospel Hymn: 184 v. 5-6

Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus said : "I give you a new commandment : love one another, just as I have loved you." Alleluia!

The Gospel - John 13 v. 31-35 At his farewell meal with his disciples, Jesus gives them the love command - the sign of authentic discipleship.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

'My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Everyone should know we are the followers of Christ by the love we have for one another.

Reader: Let us pray that we may not be merely content to love our friends, but that we may try to be kind even to those who make life difficult for us.

We pray that we may always accept Christ's love in ourselves. May we never be discouraged by our own failures, but put our confidence in him.

Let us pray for all people everywhere. May they come to acknowledge the importance of the whole of the universe and to behave as stewards of God's creation

We pray for all suffering in Ukraine.

Let us pray for those who are well off or powerful: that they may refrain exploiting others; rather that they may share with them, especially with the needy. We pray for Christian Aid and this week's appeal for Christian Aid Week.

Let us pray for all who suffer from sickness, loneliness and depression. We pray for Julie Gray, Jan Ross, Lucy Muskett, Jan Robinson, our house communicants Hazel Lockwood and Margaret Maundrell and all prayed for at Shrine Prayers.

Let us pray for George and Lucy preparing for marriage. May they strive to be true and loyal to one another and grow in love.

Let us pray for all followers of Christ: that like Mary we may bring the word of life to birth in our every action and our love for one another may be sincere, generous and unselfish.

Let us pray for all those who have left this world in the hope of the resurrection, especially Francis Collins, Gwendoline Stringer, Bob Sanders, Bunny Palmer, Phyllis Wendon, Charles Gray, Leonard Huggins, Harry Hayward, Janet Knock, Edith Clements, Thomas Roberts, Arthur Euston, Jean Pipe, Gladys Prior, Tim Licence, Kim Staff and Leslie Howlett, whose anniversaries are this week.

Mary gave a wonderful example of love, let us ask for her prayers. **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, we know you live among us. Grant us the grace to be true to the gifts you have given us. We give thanks and praise because you make all things new in Christ Jesus. We make our prayer through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

Offertory Hymn: 166 v. 1

Offertory Prayer: 166 v.2 - end

Sanctus – Sanctus setting

Mystery of Faith – Sanctus setting

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

Agnes Dei – Sanctus setting

Hymns at Holy Communion . Please join in. 231; 460

Hymn at Ablutions - 167

Post Communion Prayer

Regina Coeli

Notices

Blessing

Recessional Hymn – 12 Supplementary Hymn Book

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