

WAVENEY VALLEY CATHOLIC PARISH



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NEWSLETTER for the WEEKEND October 3rd / 4th 2026 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - A - PSALTER WEEK 3

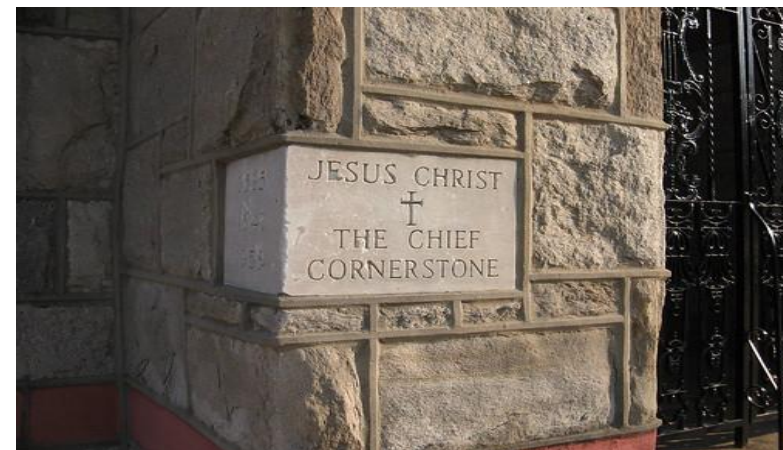
First Reading: Isaiah 5: 1 – 7 'The vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the House of Israel'

Psalms Response: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel

Second Reading: St. Paul to the Philippians 4: 6 – 9 'Practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you'

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia, I chose you out of the world, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28 – 32 'He will let that vineyard out to other tenants...'



ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Kevin Kinsella, Margaret Wilson, Anne Curran, Sylvia Boulger, Jo Sharp, Dom Meinrad Fulton OSB, Audrey Sawyer, George West, Pamela Henderson, Dorothy Peck, Muriel Bennett, Richard Hunt, Anne Kearns, Richard Hunter, Freda Crisp, Margaret Haymes.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

MASS AND THE SACRAMENTS

SATURDAY 3rd October

9.15 Mass @ Bungay (Open Intention)
9.45 – 10.00 Confessions @ Bungay
17.30 Confessions @ Harleston
N.B. 18.00 Mass @ Harleston (For the People)

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY YEAR A 4th October SECOND COLLECTION

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

9.15 Mass Bungay (Imshi Burrell + L&AM)
11.00 Mass Beccles (Dec. St. Leger & Kyrke-Smith)
18.00 Gillingham (Mr. Anthony Couldery + HT)

MONDAY 5th October NO MASS

TUESDAY 6th October St. Bruno – Priest

9.15 Mass @ Bungay (Sheila Barnes Ints)

WEDNESDAY 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary

9.30 Parish Rosary @ Beccles
10.00 Mass @ Beccles (Martin Williams + PW)

THURSDAY 8th October

9.15 Mass @ Bungay (Franca Lacamera SB)

FRIDAY 9th October St. John Henry Newman – Priest

11.00 Mass @ Beccles
(Kevin Kinsella + PK)

SATURDAY 10th October

9.15 Mass @ Bungay (Stephen Tsang + HT)
9.45 – 10.00 & 17.30 Confessions @ Harleston
N.B. 18.00 Mass @ Harleston (For the People)

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY YEAR A 11th October

9.15 Mass Bungay (In Thanksgiving for MRG)
11.00 Mass Beccles (Sheila Barralet + HH)
18.00 Gillingham (Shelagh Parmenter + PP)

NEWS AND EVENTS

Newsletter deadline 9am Thursdays simon.blakesley@rcdea.org.uk

CONGRATULATIONS to Nicole and Ken Griffith on the successful birth of their daughter **Maria Rose** on Tuesday the 29th. Needless to say she has two very proud sisters!



FAMILY FAST DAY was on last Friday October the 2nd and this year the **CAFOD** focus is on providing safe drinking water in schools so that children can stay healthy and be encouraged to learn. There will be a second collection this week.

RETURN TO ST. THOMAS MORE, HARLESTON As September draws to a close we will be returning to having our Saturday evening Mass at Harleston and I will be keeping an eye on the numbers as we go forward. The average (over three weeks) at Bungay was 34, which was higher than the usual at Harleston but not really dramatically so. We will keep open minds and hearts....

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (people have asked for these to be made known, but please note that this does **not** include the sums given by standing order or by the Dona terminals in the two main churches as these vary so widely over the course of any month)

Beccles: £289.82

Bungay: £254.55 (inc. 18.00 Saturday)

SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP meets on Tuesdays in Bungay at **19.00**. New members are always welcome to join in. However, **no** meetings on the **20th or 27th of October** – please note.

WALKING FOR OUR PERSECUTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS On 26th September, families from the Beccles and Bungay will be walking from church to church across Norfolk to raise funds for Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). Please keep us in your prayers and, if you can, support our efforts to bring hope to our persecuted brothers and sisters. Every step is a prayer, and every donation helps make a difference.

Sponsorship forms are available at the back of all the churches. To find out more or join the walk, please contact Aloma in Beccles or Jenson Mathews in Bungay.

CONGO SCHOOL FOR PEACE AGM Mary, Mike and Alan and their support team invite you to come along to their AGM to see how the work started by Anne Bauers nearly thirty years ago has brought forth amazing fruitfulness, but it is a work that will always need to be supported by our prayers and our generosity.

**PLEASE COME TO
THE CONGO
SCHOOL FOR
PEACE
AGM**

Thursday 8th October, 2.30pm
The Quaker Meeting Room, 15a
Smallgate, Beccles, NR34 9AB

Followed by refreshments

RSVP: congoschool4peace@gmail.com www.schoolforpeace.org

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Banns, Patricia Bath, Steven Brooks, Ellen Clark, Deacon Tony Felton, Richard Freeland, Derek Gibson, Jenny Gibson, Peter Harvey, Carole Hunt, Sue Kerr, Alasdair Kirkpatrick, Jo Lewis, Billy Maloy, Anne Nightingale, Michael Osborne, Christine Rhodes, Kathryn Robinson, Jordan Scott, Simon Smith, Fr. Roger Spencer, Huw Spratling, Luciana Staff, Jean Vousden, Katy Wakely, Wendy Walpole.