

All Saints' Masses during the coming week

Wednesday 9th October - 10.00am Mass
Saturday 12th October - 10.00am Mass
Sunday 13th October - 10.00am Mass

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2024

Our All Saints' Pilgrims are now at Walsingham.

Please continue to pray for them as they will be praying for us.

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All Saints' Church, Sidley



Jesus said... "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them."

Mark 10.14

Sunday 6th October 2024 - 10.00am

Parish Mass

WELCOME TO THE PARISH MASS FOR THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The collect for this week speaks of the abundance of God's kindness and mercy. It is such a refreshing prayer that reminds us of God's incredible goodness.

In fact, God is what it is to be good, and His goodness is infinite. We are used to a world of scarcity, where there just doesn't seem to be enough time, money, food, or any other of the good things we need which makes life good. Our prayer today reminds us who we are praying to. God is not like us, He's not limited by time, nor space, and He certainly doesn't need the things we need to live, like food and shelter. Yet is in His goodness and mercy that He has appeared to us in the flesh, in the man Jesus Christ (the God-man is an ancient title of Christ -in Greek it is theanthropos). God shows His goodness by limiting His power so that He might draw near to us, and yet remain in some sense hidden - remember His own disciples didn't know who He was when He walked with them. In the Mass we recognise Him in the breaking of the Bread and the pouring out of the wine into the cup of His suffering. When we see how Good and full of kindness God is, let us not fear to bring to Him our prayers - for prayer is a confession of those needs in our lives, needs that He is already aware of!
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Prayer for the Faithful

The Sick: Michael and Diane; Bill; Sharon; Pat; Wendy; David; Michael; Nina; Jenny; Rob; Dee; Glyn; Margaret; Stewart; Ian; Jean; Andrew; Rosemary; Andrea; Stewart; Val; Lynne; David; Dorothy; Mary; Rosemary and children: Sebastian and baby Maxwell and Ivy-Mae.

The Recently Departed

Anniversaries of Death

- 6th Betty Josling; Barbara Rice; Pat Bryant;
- 7th Mary McGuire; Joyce Wall;
- 8th Eliza Wiseman; Frederick Ransome;
- 12th Ernest Eldridge.

Gospel - Mark 10.2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

Hymns

(Celebration Hymnal for Everyone)

Processional Hymn - 348	Lead kindly light
Gloria - 460	Glory to God (Murray)
Offertory - 177	For the beauty of the earth
Post Communion - 21	All my hope on God is founded
Recessional Hymn - 398	Love Divine

Introduction (Continuation)

We don't always understand how God is at work in our lives, but we can continue to trust that He is at work, and that He is present with us in the midst of troubles, and present with us in Holy Communion. This week, let's keep reminding ourselves of God's abundant goodness and kindness, and His abiding presence with us in our lives.

First Reading - The Book of Genesis 2.18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven.

These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. **(Continued)**

First Reading - The Book of Genesis 2.18-24 (continuation)

So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh.

The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man.

The man exclaimed:
'This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'
This is why a man leaves his father and mother and
joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

Psalm 127

***The Response (R) May the Lord bless us all the
days of our life.***

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R**
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Psalm 127 (Continuation)

Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **R**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! **R**

Second Reading - The Letter to the Hebrews 2.9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made
lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory
and splendour because he submitted to death; by
God's grace he had to experience death for all
mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his
sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom
everything exists and through whom everything exists,
should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who
would take them to their salvation. For the one who
sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the
same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.