All Saints' Masses during the coming week

Wednesday 25th September	- 10.00am Mass
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Saturday 28th September - 10.00am Mass

Sunday 29th September - 10.00am Mass St Michael and All Angels

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2024

FROM Thursday 3rd to Sunday 6th October our Pilgrims will be, once gain making their way to Walsingham.

Please pray for them as they will be praying for us. If you would like any special intentions in prayer offered up in the Holy House please give them to Fr. Robin, who is leading the Pilgrimage or Angela Farley by Sunday 29th September.

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All Saints' Church, Sidley



Jesus said.... 'seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,'

Mark 6.33

Sunday 22nd September 2024 - 10.00am

Parish Mass Harvest Festival



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

Every celebration of the Holy Eucharist is a thanksgiving celebration.

In fact, Eucharist simply means "thanksgiving" in Greek. We offer thanks to God for all He has done for us, and especially in redeeming the world by the precious death of His Son, Jesus Christ. As Christians, everything that we give thanks for is mediated by the once for all self offering that Christ makes for us on the Cross. This Sunday we give particular thanks for the gifts of the fruits of the earth. We are continually blessed with the bountiful produce of the land and the sea in this country, and it is right that we should remember that it is God who is the giver of all good gifts.

It is fitting that we do this in the context of the Eucharist. After the altar has been prepared by the deacon, the priest offers up the bread to God saying "Blessed are you Lord God of all creation, for through Your goodness we have this bread to offer you, fruit of the earth and work of human hands. It will become for us the Bread of Life." At the offering of the wine, he says: "Blessed are you, lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink."

We see in these prayers that God is transforming us and all of His Creation into something even more beautiful and wonderful. (Continued)



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

23rd	Ray Hooper;
24th	Howard Smart;
25th	William Bartholomew; Frank Honeysett;
26th	James Johnson; George Duffill;
27th	Winifred Hood; Peter Mello; John Hickie;
28th	Edna Lennard.

Gospel - Mark 6.25-33

"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing?

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

WELCOME (Continued from opening page)

Let us come as thankful people, both for the good things we have received in this world, and most especially for what is promised to us in the life of the world to come, when there will be no more hunger, sorrow, violence, or weeping, but peace and joy beyond our understanding!

Hymns

(Celebration Hymnal for Everyone)

Processional Hymn	- 136	Come ye thankful people come
Gloria	- 460	Glory to God (Murray)
Offertory	- 15	All creatures of our God and King
Post Communion	- 302	In bread we bring you, Lord
Recessional Hymn	- 782	We plough the fields and scatter

First Reading - Joel 2.21-27

"Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things!

Fear not, you beasts of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit; the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

"Be glad, O children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the latter rain, as before. (Continued)

First Reading - Joel 2.21-27 (Continuation)

"The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent among you.

"You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God and there is none else. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Psalm 126

The Response (R) What marvels the Lord worked for us.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage It seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laugher, On our lips there were songs. **R**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels The Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad! **R** (Continued)

Psalm 126 (Continuation)

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage As streams in a dry land. Those who are sowing tears Will sing when they reap. **R**

They go out, they go out full of tears, Carrying seed for the sowing; They come back, they come back, full of song, Carrying their sheaves. **R**

Second Reading - The First Letter of St Paul to Timothy 2.1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man[a] Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.