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Practise what you preach.

The Pharisees were singled out by Jesus as being hypocrites. They were not prepared to ease the burdens of others and so became a stumbling block to the faith of many people. We proclaim the Good News not so much but what we say as by the way we live.

Sundays Year A ~ Ordinary Time ~ Psalms Week III
 Thirty - first Sunday in Ordinary Times
 5th November 2023

Entrance Antiphon	<i>Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!</i>	
First Reading	<i>You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.</i>	<i>Malachi 1:14-2:2. 8-10</i>
Responsorial Psalm	<i>Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.</i>	<i>Psalm 130</i>
Second Reading	<i>We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.</i>	<i>1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia</i>	
Gospel	<i>They do not practise what they preach.</i>	<i>Matthew 23:1-12</i>

Saturday			6:00pm	Parishioners
Sunday	5th November	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	Bridget Wooldridge R.I.P.
Monday	6th November	Feria	9:15am	Grace Sadd R.I.P.
Tuesday	7th November	Feria		No Mass
Wednesday	8th November	Feria	7:00pm	Juby Family
Thursday	9th November	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9:15am	Vocations
Friday	10th November	St. Leo the Great		No Mass
Saturday	11th November	St. Martin of Tours	10:00am	Ralph Rose R.I.P.
			6:00pm	Those who Died During Covid
Sunday	12th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	War Dead

Morning or Evening Prayer will be prayed fifteen minutes before weekday Masses.
 Confessions on Saturday 10.30-11.00am and Wednesday 6.00-6.30p

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for Andrew Thurlow, Jane Henson, John Barnes, Sue Williams, Jennifer Gates, Trudy McClusky, Gerry Watt, Leo Tolosa, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany, Vivienne Anne Mallett and Marcia Jenkin.

Faithful Departed – Please pray Harold Hedge, Ethel King, Ronald Bunn, Bridget Wooldridge, William Moverley, Stanley Bell, Eileen Holt, Phyllis Barnes, Thomas Peter Carroll, May Ryan, Joan Miller, Percy Cannell, Ralph Rose, Betty Kibble, Herbert Seely, Ronald Piercy, Marie Cooper and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

A note for young men who may have considered a vocation to the priesthood: There will be a gathering of those who feel that God may be calling them to be a priest, even if this desire is in its very early stages. Come to St John's Cathedral in Norwich for the 11.00 am Mass on Sunday November 19th and afterwards in Cathedral House (attached to the Cathedral) to meet Bishop Peter Collins and others for lunch and an informal meeting about vocations. If you intend coming, please email our Vocations Director, Canon Patrick Cleary on vocations@rcdea.org.uk by Monday 13th November so that we know how many will be present for lunch.

Rise Up – A special event for young people and catechists, Saturday November 11th: A special event for young people (Year 7 upwards), catechists and youth leaders to be empowered to *Rise Up* and celebrate World Youth Sunday in their own parishes, later in the November. Amongst other activities, there will be live music, inspiring talks and good food! Helds at St. John's Cathedral, Norwich. Organised by the Diocesan Youth Service. See www.rcdea.org.uk/youth for more details.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Deacon Bill is in the process of up-dating the list of ministers who take Holy Communion to the sick or house-bound. If you do so, please email him with the name(s) of those that you visit.

Bible Alive: Copies of this monthly magazine are now available for sale in the church porch, having been requested by some parishioners. Each edition contains useful commentaries on the daily Mass readings. The price is £3.

A Mass to Remember.

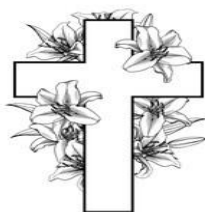
The Memorial Mass for those who have died led by Fr David is next weekend Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th November.

Special mention will be made of family and friends who have passed away in the last three years or so when we were limited in our ability to be supportive and perhaps not even attend their Funerals due to COVID restrictions.

If you would like someone mentioned by Name in the Bidding Prayers please place their Name on the List in the Porch.

You and all others will be most welcome to join together

In Remembrance at that Mass.



Collection

28th /29th October

£560.87
Many Thanks

Cambodia Christmas cards, Throughout November there will be the opportunity, for just £1.50, to write a card to our fellow parishioners in our twin parish of St Joseph's, Taken, Cambodia. We know from Bishop Kike how much this small act of friendship and unity means to them all. The cards are displayed in the church and then handed out to the parishioners who display them proudly in their homes all year round.

Any money raised will go towards future projects and improvements in Taken.

Thank you for your continued support Hilda Kaye

Leaf Clearing: If you can help with clearing leaves in the church grounds, please come along any Saturday morning (bringing a rake with you) to lend a hand. If you can't make it on a Saturday, please come along and clear some at any time. Thank you.

Remembrance Book: Throughout November (the month of the Holy Souls) the Remembrance Book will be in the porch for you to enter the names of loved ones who have died. [Please note that this is in addition to the lists for the Memorial Mass weekend.] The book will be brought up as part of the offertory during Sunday Masses this month.

Saturday November 18th: Please note that there will be no morning Mass or confessions on this day as Fr David has to attend a meeting at the diocesan offices.

The next cake stall is on Sunday, November 5th, in the Garden Room after Mass.

CHRISTMAS READERS & MINISTERS: if you are able to minister at any or all of the Masses over Christmas, please put your name on the list in the porch so that the ministries can be shared out - please remember that the First Mass of Christmas will be at 9.00pm & not at midnight as in previous years. The list will stay up until Sunday, November 5th

St George's Crib Festival: St George's church on Sprowston Road will be holding a crib festival on December 8th, 9th & 10th, ending with a Carol Service at 6.30pm on the Sunday. If you have a crib that you could loan to them for this festival please complete one of the forms on the table in the church porch and send it to the address at the bottom.

The UCM invite the ladies of the parish to join for us for lunch at Taverham Garden Centre on Tuesday, November 7th - meeting at 11.55 a.m. If you are interested, please can you let either Rosie Taylor or Marguerite Wayling know by Sunday, October 29th. Do come and join us I promise we don't bite!

Items for the newsletter may be left at the presbytery (marked clearly "for newsletter" along with the date, and your name), or email newsletter@stwalstans.com. For all forms of communication, please provide a telephone number on which you can be contacted. The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 6pm