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Luke is paired with the Prophet Amos, who decries decadence: those who 'stretch themselves out on couches' and 'lie on beds of ivory' while others suffer. Luke's Gospel is similarly peppered with memorable visuals; Luke sharpens Amos' insights with the graphic illustration of the rich man and Lazarus impelling us surely, to ask where we see ourselves in this story.

Sundays Year C ~ Ordinary Time ~ Psalms Week: II

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th September 2025

Entrance Antiphon	<i>All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, For we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.</i>	
First Reading	<i>'The revelry of those who now stretch themselves out shall pass away.'</i>	<i>Amos 6:1a, 4-7</i>
Responsorial Psalm	<i>My soul, give praise to the Lord.</i>	<i>Psalms 146</i>
Second Reading	<i>'Keep the commandment until the appearing of our Lord.'</i>	<i>1 Timothy 6:11b-16</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. Alleluia!</i>	
Gospel	<i>'You received good things, and Lazarus bad things; now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish'</i>	<i>Luke 16:19-31</i>

Saturday				
Sunday	28th September	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:00pm	Mike Prada R.I.P.
			10:30am	Sister Mairead
Monday	29th September	Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	9:15am	Valerie Munnelly
Tuesday	30th September	St. Jerome		No Mass
Wednesday	1st October	St. Therese of the Child Jesus	7:00pm	Maya Maskajevs
Thursday	2nd October	The Holy Guardian Angels	9:15am	Vocations
Friday	3rd October	Feria		No Mass
			7:00pm	Rosary
Saturday	4th October	St. Francis of Assisi	10:00am	Parishioners
			6:00pm	Rosario & Corazon Hermoso R.I.P.
Sunday	5th October	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	Louis Borg R.I.P.

Morning or Evening Prayer will be prayed fifteen minutes before weekday Masses.

Confessions on Saturday 10.30-11.00am and Wednesday 6.00-6.30pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the morning Mass.

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for Dorota Gobiecka-Grosz, Peter Bevis, Patricia Paul, Christopher Sharples, Peter King, Joseph Mitton, Geoff Routs, Henry Bedingfield, Jane Henson, John Barnes, Sue Williams, Jennifer Gates, Trudy McClosky, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany and Marcia Jenkin.

Faithful Departed – Please pray for Joyce Quain, Norah Jackson, Grace Cork, Jean Vince, Asmik Toprakashvili and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

“Happiness is not something ready-made. It comes from your own actions.”

Dalai Lama

Diocesan Retreat Day For Women 2025 “Waiting in Hope”. With talks given by the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham, this highly popular retreat day will take place on Saturday 15th November in OLEM, Cambridge. Places are limited! Booking essential! Booking Form and all information found here: www.rcdea.org.uk/east-anglia-diocese-announces-retreat-day-for-women/ Please direct all enquiries to mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk

Bible Timeline Course: Grasp the big picture of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation with this free course presented live online by Mauro Ianicelli. Starts Wed. 1st October at 7pm (eight Wednesday evenings). Info and registration: www.comeandsee.org.

Harvest Festival: Weekend of September 27th/28th. Please place your offerings of food in front of the altar before Mass. They will be distributed to the needy after the weekend. Thank you.

Marriage Support - Does your relationship need some TLC? Need help with deeper issues? Next programme starts 17th October www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: [+44 7887 296 983](tel:+447887296983)

If anyone would like to join the flower group, you would be very welcome. It's just an hour or two every six weeks, Easter, Christmas and an occasional wedding. You don't have to have any experience, just enjoy arranging flowers. If you are interested or would like to know more about our group, please give me a call on 07714417663 or email h.guerin@sky.com

You're Invited! The Couples for Christ – Handmaids of the Lord warmly welcomes you to our upcoming Christian Life Program, a beautiful opportunity for spiritual renewal and deeper connection with God. Program Dates: September 28, October 11, October 18, November 2. Time: 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Location: St. John's Cathedral. If you're a woman aged 40 and above, seeking to grow in faith and build meaningful friendships with others on the same journey, we invite you to come and be part of this life-changing experience. Let's walk together in faith, sisterhood, and love. Come and join us — your journey begins here! Contact: Lyn Taaca (07967305142)

The UCM are out to lunch on Tuesday, October 7th at Bawdswell Garden Centre. If you want to join us can you put your name down on the list in the porch, places on the coach is limited, so if you can come by car please state. Thank you.

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.

Collections	20th /21st September	£586.21
	2nd Collection	£235.31
		Many Thanks

Rosary: October is the month of the rosary so we will meet in the church to pray five decades every Friday evening during this month at 7.00pm.

Baptism: There will be a baptism during the 10.30am Mass on Sunday October 4th.

World Mission Day is approaching, so would all Red Mission Box holders please bring their boxes in. Please see the poster in the porch for more information. New collectors are welcome.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal - Friday 3 October
Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10 – Many thanks

October 18th marks UK Modern Slavery Day set up under the Modern Slavery Act 2015.

This "Open Wound on the Body of Christ" as Pope Francis put it is growing at an alarming rate in the UK. Figures produced by the Home Office show a 32% year on year increase in the number of souls found in modern slavery for the quarter to 30th June of this year.

To mark Modern Slavery Day a Conference is being held in Norwich on 10th October. The conference is being organised by my Initiative co-lead Mark Little MBE who (as you may know) received this award in 2022 for his services the victims of modern slavery. Please follow this link <https://fundraising.rotaryeastanglia.co.uk/event/modern-slavery-conference-2025#purchase> for more information.

Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2026

We are welcoming applications from those who wish their child to prepare for the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2026.

If your child will be in year 3, or above, in September 2025, and you wish them to be included, please contact Julia Murphy via email – Boot2982@outlook.com for an application form.

The programme will start in January 2026.

The closing date for applications is **Sunday 28 September 2025.**