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Being reconciled with God in Christ can bring forth anger and persecution from the world. When people turn against us for proclaiming God's truth, Jesus tells us to hold fast to him without fear. The grace of God will abound without limit or those rejected for their faith, just as it abounds without limit for those cleansed of Adam's sin.

*Sundays Year A ~ Ordinary Time ~ Psalms Week: IV
 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 21st June 2026*

Entrance Antiphon	<i>The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.</i>	
First Reading	<i>'He has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.'</i>	Jeremiah 20:10-13
Responsorial Psalm	<i>In your great mercy, answer me, O Lord.</i>	Psalm 69
Second Reading	<i>'The free gift is not like the trespass.'</i>	Romans 5:12-15
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia. The Spirit of truth will bear witness about me, says the Lord, And you also will bear witness. Alleluia.</i>	
Gospel	<i>'Do not fear those who kill the body.'</i>	Matthew 10:26-33

Saturday			6:00pm	Brenda Millar
Sunday	21st June	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30am	Evelyn Petrie
Monday	22nd June	Ss John Fisher & Thomas More	9:15am 3:00pm	Stanley & Doreen Howes R.I.P. Funeral – Laureen Edwards
Tuesday	23rd June	St. Etheldreda		No Mass
Wednesday	24th June	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	7:00pm	Daphne Blandford R.I.P.
Thursday	25th June	Feria	9:15am	Personal Intention (A)
Friday	26th June	Dedication of the Cathedral		No Mass
Saturday	27th June	Feria	10:00am 6:00pm	Parishioners Prada & Hermoso Families (Living & Deceased)
Sunday	28th June	Ss Peter & Paul	10:30am	Jimmy Gallagher 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 Jenny King, Eamon McGrath, Peter King, Dorota Gobiecka-Grosz, Patricia Paul, Christopher Sharples, Peter King, Joseph Mitton, Geoff Routs, 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 John Scrutton, Henry Guest, Gordon (John) Pelling, David Nesbitt, Fred Stocks and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

“In revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God, a man is called upon to ensure the harmonious and united development of all the members of the family.”

St. John Paul II

St Augustine's School Fete: Saturday July 4th, 12noon-3.00pm. All welcome.

The Chosen: The next episode will be shown in the Garden Room at 7.30pm (after the evening Mass) on Wednesday June 24th.

Confirmations 2027: Registration is now open for next year's Confirmations. As usual, the youngsters will join with others at St John's Cathedral for the classes, which begin in September of this year, but will be confirmed here in their home parish at Costessey. Please note that the closing date for application is a firm one so don't delay to apply! For details please follow this link: [FHC and Confirmation Booking form 2026-27- please click here](#)

Deacon Anthony's Ordination: There are still seats available on the coach to the ordination to the priesthood of Deacon Anthony (along with Deacon Peter Ho) on Saturday July 4th. The coach will leave St. Walstan's at 10.00am, allowing plenty of time to get there for the 11.30am ordination Mass. It will depart from the cathedral at 2.30pm. Please let Fr David know a.s.a.p. if you would like a seat on the coach.

Diocesan Jubilee: On Sunday, July 19, following Mass, the parish will celebrate our diocese's 50th anniversary with a BBQ and Fr. David's 70th birthday. We felt it would be entertaining to include pictures of parishioners in 1976, even if you weren't a parishioner at the time. (Yes, I am aware that many of you weren't around at the time—the pleasures of youth!) If you would like to submit a photo, please place it in the Presbytery's letterbox with your name and contact information printed on the back or on a post-it note that is attached.

St Walstan's Lectio Divina Prayer Sessions

We warmly invite you to join St Walstan's Lectio Divina sessions. The Bible is inspired by God and Lectio Divina offers a way of *encountering Scripture* rather than studying it; an opportunity to listen, reflect, and rest in God's presence. Our next sessions are 7pm in the Garden room **on Thursday 25th June, then 9th July, continuing fortnight.**

Collections (DONA) 13th /14th June

£ 755.03(£50)

Many Thanks

Day for Life 2026: This Sunday, 21 June, we mark the Day for Life under the theme “The Wonder of the Child in the Womb.” The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website: www.dayforlife.org. The second collection will go towards the Day for Life Fund, which distributes grants to organisations that promote respect for life from conception until natural death. You can also donate online via the Day for Life website.

Jubilee Information: The Diocese of East Anglia is celebrating its 50th anniversary with a year-long schedule of festivities. On Sunday, July 19, St. Walstan's will participate in the festivities with a special Mass, followed by the yearly parish barbecue and the creation of a St. Walstan's booklet. We wish to honour and celebrate the cultural history of St. Walstan's parishioners as part of these celebrations. We are a unique parish because of our diversity, and we would want to know which nations our families are from so that we can honour them in our booklet. Please fill out the form on the porch if you are comfortable sharing your cultural heritage. Thank you, Priscilla and Marcelle.

Tickets for the Strawberry Tea which will be held in the Garden Room on Saturday June 27th. Tickets on sale from Saturday, May 23rd until Sunday, June 21st, after all masses.

Tickets are £6, all proceeds to Mary's House Appeal. Numbers are limited so purchase early.

Teas After Mass: There are spaces on the rotas in the church porch for people to make tea and coffee after both weekend Masses. New volunteers are always welcome. If you're not sure what to do, have a chat with those who are experienced hands.

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.