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Newsletter for Sunday, 23rd June 2024, Solemnity of St Etheldreda

Twelfth Week of the Year. Psalter: Week 4.

We pray for the Parish of Sheringham and Cromer, the Holy Land, Ukraine, the Catholic community in Prek Toal, Cambodia, and the SVP in Kerala.

Times of Mass this week Memorial Acc: We proclaim your Death...

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| Saturday | 6.30 pm | <i>People of the Parish</i> |
| Sunday | 9.00 am, | <i>Catherine & Harold Leeder RIP</i> |
| | 11.00 am, | <i>Paul Casapieri RIP</i> |
| Monday | 9.30 am, | <i>Paul Casapieri RIP</i> |
| | | <i>Maria Rus RIP</i> |
| Tuesday | 9.30 am, Feria | <i>Patrick Regan RIP (Steel)</i> |

Wednesday 12.15 pm, DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL

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| Thursday | 9.30 am, Feria | <i>Patrick James O'Sullivan RIP</i> |
| Friday | 12.15 pm, St Irenaeus | <i>Private intention</i> |
| Saturday | 10.00 am, Our Lady | <i>Private intention - Dente</i> |
| | 6.30 pm (SS Peter & Paul) | <i>Geoffrey Abbott RIP</i> |
| | | <i>Fr Martin Hardy's intentions</i> |

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturday, 10.30 am or by appointment. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,** Friday, 11.40 am – 12.10 pm. Teas and coffees after 9.00 and 11.00 am Mass. **Children's Liturgy** at 11.00 am Mass.

THE SOLEMNITY OF ST ETHELDREDA, our Parish Patron, replaces the liturgy of the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time today. See overleaf for details. **EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF ST ETHELDREDA** Bishop Peter has been invited to preach at Evensong in Ely Cathedral at 4.00 pm this afternoon and the Dean and Chapter kindly invite us all to join the congregation for the service. **THE SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER & PAUL** will be celebrated next Sunday. There will be a Retiring Collection at all Masses next Sunday for Peter's Pence.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS Congratulations and every blessing to those who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday morning. A second Mass will be celebrated this coming Saturday, again at 11.30 am. Please note: Acremont School grounds will not be available for parking on Saturday morning. **FIRST COMMUNION CARDS AND GIFTS** A wide range of cards and medals for those making their First Holy Communion are now on sale in the Repository.

SVP NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM Mass and Sacrament of the Sick, 7nd July starting 1.30pm. A 16-seater, wheelchair accessible coach has been booked leaving Barton Road car park at 11.30 am. Travel is free but donations towards the cost are appreciated. Please sign up at the back of church. Contact Joan for more details. 07510359845 joanwall@ntlworld.com More details on our parish web site.

THE PARISH BBQ, on Sunday, 21 July, from 12 noon, adults £5, children free. Please register your attendance on the list at the back of the church. Please bring salad or dessert or drink (or combination) to share with others. Don't miss out on this social gathering!

NEWS FROM THE FOODBANK Ely Foodbank is desperately in need of your support. Demand is rising but donations of food have dropped off dramatically and the Foodbank is currently spending £300 - 500 a week to buy food for distribution. There's a list of items currently needed in the church porch. Thank you. **HOLY BAPTISM** Congratulations and every blessing to Isla-Mae Ashanti Scille, baptised last Sunday, and to her parents, Tyrone and Saira.

WE PRAY for all our sick and household and for the Anniversaries of Paul Casapieri, Veronica Evans, Barbara Harper, Wayne Denigan, Kellie Britton, Alica Millmore, Catherine Rose Essam, Esther Gatt, Geoffrey Abbott and Gillian Brady. May they rest in peace.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND Parish Offertory Plate £919.45. (Standing Orders average £480). Life Charities £227.00. Thank you for your generosity. **For the Catholic Chaplain at Addenbrooke's,** call the Chaplains' Office, 01223 217769. **Relationship difficulties** Contact Marriage Care 0800 389380.

COMING UP: The SVP meets on Monday at 7.30 pm. The Parish Bible Study and Prayer Group will next meet on Saturday, 6th July, at 10.45 am.

Happy Feast of St Etheldreda and every blessing for the coming week, Deacon Paul and Father David.

Prayers of the Faithful – Solemnity of St Etheldreda 2024

Priest:

With great joy we praise Christ, the bridegroom of all virgins. Through him let us bring the needs of the Church and the world before God, as we pray.

Reader:

For the Church, the Bride of Christ, and especially for all religious women, nuns and sisters, in the world today...

Lord, hear us.

For Bishop Peter and the Church in East Anglia, for everyone in our Parish and especially for our children who are receiving their First Holy Communion at this time and for their catechists and families...

Lord, hear us.

For our friends and neighbours at Ely Cathedral as we join together in honouring the Feast of St Etheldreda...

Lord, hear us.

For our country and for the gifts of discernment and wisdom as we prepare for the General Election...

Lord, hear us.

For the suffering peoples of the Holy Land and Ukraine, all refugees and asylum seekers, and for all who hunger and thirst for peace with justice....

Lord, hear us.

For the gift of healing for those who are sick, in body or in mind...

Lord, hear us.

For all the faithful departed, who are called to the Wedding Feast of the Lamb...

Lord, hear us.

Let us pray quietly for our own needs...

We seek the prayers of our Blessed Lady, Queen of Virgins: HAIL MARY...

Priest:

Accept our prayer, Lord, as we recall the life and virtues of Saint Etheldreda.

Grant that we may abide in the shelter of your love and continue to grow in your grace to the end of our days, through Christ our Lord. Amen.
