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**Newsletter for Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 – Twenty-First Sunday of the Year.**

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**We pray for our own Parish of Ely, for the Holy Land, Ukraine and the Catholic Community in Prek Toal, Cambodia, and Kerala SVP.**

**Times of Mass this week**

**Saturday 6.30 pm,**  
**Sunday 9.00 am,**  
**11.00 am,**  
**Monday 10.00 am, Feria**  
**Tuesday 9.30 am, Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God**

**Memorial Acc: We proclaim...**

*Nellie Gnapp & Cecil Purcell RIP*  
*People of the Parish*  
*Thanksgiving (Raynes)*  
*Una, Natacha and Bill's intentions*  
*Special intention*

**Wednesday 12.15 pm, St Monica** *Laurence Walker - sick*  
**Thursday 9.30 am, St Augustine** *All Pro-Life issues*  
**Friday 12.15 pm, The Passion of St John the Baptist**  
*(No Exposition before Mass) Johannan RIP*  
**Saturday 10.00 am, SS Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and**  
**Margaret Ward** *Deacon John Steel RIP*  
**6.30 pm, (22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)** *Marcia R. Pieters RIP*

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):** Saturday, 10.30 – 11.00 am or by appointment.

**No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Friday.**

**TEAS AND COFFEES in the Parish Rooms after 9.00 and 11.00 am Mass today.**

**PARISH FAMILY PICNIC** - You are invited to Vine Cottage for a bring-your-own picnic next Sunday, 31st August - ice cream provided! Time: 11am - 5pm.

Contact: John at 07731 954740 or [j.g.i.underwood@gmail.com](mailto:j.g.i.underwood@gmail.com)

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES** will begin after the Autumn Half Term Holiday and will be on THURSDAYS at 6.45pm. We hope that announcing this now will help you to plan when you commit your children to other after school activities at the start of the coming term. We will be inviting you to sign your children up for classes in the next few weeks if they will be in Year 3 (turning 8 in the coming school year) or older. Please speak to Deacon Paul if you would like to know more.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – 21<sup>st</sup> September after 11.00 Mass** Parish International Meal. After the great success last year, SVP and parishioners are organising a Parish International Meal – bring and share food to represent your country. There is now a sign-up list at the back of the church.

**DEDICATING PARISH MASS BOOKS** Blank forms available at the back of the church. Return the form with £5 for each dedication in a marked envelope.

**THE GARDENING GROUP** is calling for help to tidy up the Parish Garden. Please join, if you can, for a couple of hours on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> September, from 11am. Thank you very much.

**CHURCH CLEANING** If you can come along to help with the next Big Clean on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September from 11.30 am, we would be delighted to see you.

**THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED** Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Liam Browne** whose Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September, at 10.30 am and for the consolation of his family and friends. We pray too for the repose of the souls of all who have died recently.

**WE PRAY for all our sick and housebound and for the Anniversaries of** Wojciech Lewandowski, John Barlow, Walter Heywood, Lawrence Sheehan, Canon Paul Taylor, Marijona Zibert, Lucy Lawson, Daniel Murphy, James Erwin and Basil Kobil. May they rest in peace.

**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND** Parish, £625.70 (Standing Orders average £590). Thank you all for your generosity.

**HOLY BAPTISM** Congratulations and every blessing to **Jade Eleanor Fernandes**, baptised last Sunday, and to her parents Kester and Nikita and family.

**For the Catholic Chaplain in Addenbrooke's**, call the Chaplains' Office, 01223 217769. **Relationship difficulties** Contact Marriage Care 0800 389380.

**Coming up: Mass this Monday at 10.00 am.** The **SVP** next meets again on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> September at 10.15 am.

The Prayer and Bible Study Group will meet again in September.

**God bless you in the coming week, Deacon Paul and Father David.**

## Prayers of the Faithful – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Year

Priest:

God has called us from every nation and culture to become one in Christ. With one voice let us pray.

Reader:

That the family of the Church in every nation may grow each day in love for Christ and one another. We pray for the Diocese of East Anglia in union with Bishop Peter and the pilgrims to Lourdes....

Lord, hear us.

That all who strive for peace and justice may have the courage to persevere in their efforts. We pray especially for the people of Gaza and Ukraine...

Lord, hear us.

That those who are seeking work and fearful for their future may be supported by those around them...

Lord, hear us.

That our community may be saved from complacency and that we may always show compassion to those in need...

Lord, hear us.

That the Lord may grant eternal life to our relatives and friends, especially Mick McCann and Liam Browne and to those whose anniversaries occur at this time...

Lord, hear us.

Let us bring our own petitions to the Lord in the silence of our hearts...

We remember our sick brothers and sisters as we invoke the prayers of Our Lady of Lourdes: HAIL MARY...

Priest:

Hear these prayers, God of love, and give us the strength to persevere in faithfulness to your Covenant. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.





