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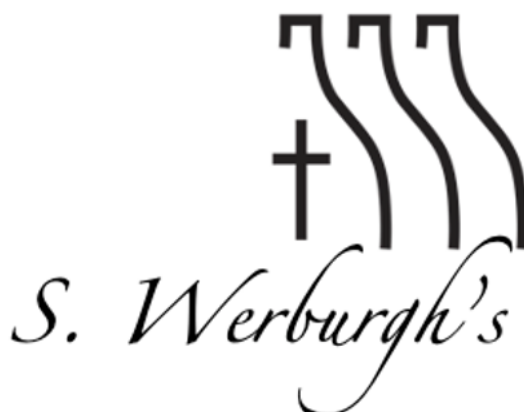
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SUNDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2022 **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Welcome to S. Werburgh's especially if this is your first visit or if you haven't been to church in a while! If you would like say hello to one of the clergy or the hospitality team please do (hiding behind a pillar is fine too if you're a bit shy!) This booklet contains everything you need to follow this service, please join in as far as you would like but don't worry about remembering when to stand, or kneel, or sit, go along with what feels comfortable. A collection is taken during the Offertory Hymn, this helps to pay for the upkeep of the church and more importantly it helps to keep the mission and outreach of the church going, please give what you can. If you pay tax please fill out a Gift-Aid envelope, this allows us to claim extra dosh from the Government!

View From A Pew

In a discussion group recently the subject of life after death came up and someone said "Well no one has ever come back to tell us have they?" As you would expect I soon put them straight on that one. Yet even in today's Gospel, Abraham seems disheartened that our Lord's resurrection had still not made people sit up and listen. Here we see a rich man, in life oblivious to the needs around him yet begging now for someone to go back and tell his loved ones of his fate, and to warn them to care for those less fortunate than themselves. St. Teresa of Avila wrote - "Our Lord asks but two things of us: love for him and love for our neighbour" For the rich man there was no redemption, he left it too late. I think in the next months we shall be seeing many neighbours in need.

The Introductory Rites

*As the bell is rung all **stand** as the clergy approach the altar. As he comes to the altar the priest prays a silent prayer of preparation, he kisses the altar because it contains (or should contain!) a relic and so asks for the saint's prayers for us all. The altar is a symbol of Jesus here with and so is treated with great respect. We sing the Introit hymn:*

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| 1 Immortal, invisible,
God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid
From our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious,
The Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
Thy great name we praise | 3 To all life thou givest,
To both great and small;
In all life thou livest,
The true life of all;
We blossom and flourish
As leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish;
But naught changeth thee. |
| 2 Unresting, unhasting,
And silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting,
Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains
High soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love. | 4 Great Father of glory,
Pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee,
All veiling their sight;
All laud we would render,
O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour
Of light hideth thee. |

*Walter Chalmers Smith,
based on 1 Timothy 1:17*

<i>Priest</i>	+ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
<i>All</i>	Amen
<i>Priest</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>All</i>	And with your Spirit.

The priest invites us to offer to God the times that we have done things we should not have done, knowing that God forgives all who are truly sorry. This means we can begin worship knowing we have been set right with God.

<i>All</i>	I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, <i>and, striking their breast, all say</i> through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.
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Priest May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All **Amen**

Following confession, with the priest we say the Kyrie, this is an ancient part of the mass and is frequently said in Greek, one of the three sacred languages of Christianity (Latin and Hebrew being the other two), these languages are considered sacred because they are the three languages used on the notice placed with Christ on the Cross and so are considered to be deeply connected to our salvation.

Priest Kyrie eleison. or Lord, have mercy.

All **Kyrie eleison.** or **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest Christe eleison. or Christ, have mercy.

All **Christe eleison.** or **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest Kyrie eleison. or Lord, have mercy.

All **Kyrie eleison.** or **Lord, have mercy.**

Together we sing the Gloria, a hymn of praise to God. It reminds us that coming to church is a celebration of the wonderful things God has done, is doing, and will continue to do in our lives.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer,
you are seated at the right hand, the right of the Father, have mercy on us.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will. Amen

*The priest prays the Collect which sums up all our prayers for the day. After the prayer we **sit** for the readings, which come from the Old Testament (the Hebrew bible Jesus and the first Christians would have known), followed by a psalm, then from the Epistles (Letters) of Paul, Peter, or John &c. (the early writings of the church that helped shape and develop it) and finally a Gospel passage (a reading from the lives and teachings of Jesus).*

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Amos 6:1,4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria,
those famous men of this first of nations
to whom the House of Israel goes as client.
Lying on ivory beds
and sprawling on their divans,
they dine on lambs from the flock,
and stall-fattened veal;
they bawl to the sound of the harp,
they invent new instruments of music like David,
they drink wine by the bowlful,
and use the finest oil for anointing themselves,
but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.
That is why they will be the first to be exiled;
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

At the end:

<i>Reader</i>	The word of the Lord
<i>All</i>	Thanks be to God

Psalm 145(146):7-10

The Response is:

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

1 It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R**

3 It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed
down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R**

5 The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **R**

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of S. Paul to Timothy

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who at the due time will be revealed
by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,
the King of kings and the Lord of lords,
who alone is immortal,
whose home is in inaccessible light,
whom no man has seen and no man is able to see:
to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

At the end:

Reader The word of the Lord
All **Thanks be to God**

We **stand** as the Gospel is heralded

Priest Alleluia, alleluia
The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them
and they follow me.
All **Alleluia.**

The Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

Priest The Lord be with you

All **And with your Spirit**

Priest + A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

At the end:

Priest The Gospel of the Lord

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

The Homily

We **sit** for the Homily, this is a short talk about the readings we have just heard or the theme of the day. Its purpose is to help us better understand the scriptures and how wisdom and advice that is so old can still help us today. After the homily comes the **Creed** for which we **stand**. This is the Church's statement of belief and the word Creed comes from the Latin word for 'I believe.' If you are new to church or not a Christian do not feel you have to say the words with us. Have a read of them before the service (or if the Homily is boring then!) and if you feel you can agree with the words you are most welcome to join in saying them.

The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father, and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead + and the life of the world to come. Amen.

We remain standing for the prayers.

The Universal Prayers

In these short prayers we ask God to hear our petitions for particular people and situations. If you have something or someone you would like praying for in the week at mass or next Sunday please let us know and we'll be happy to include it. It is normal to pray for the Church, the world, the local community, those who are sick or in need, and those who have died.

<i>Intercessor</i>	Lord, in your mercy,	<i>or</i>	Lord, hear us
<i>All</i>	Hear our prayer		Lord, graciously hear us.

Towards the end the intercessor introduces the Hail Mary, the hymn of praise of Jesus' Mother. It is composed from the Angel Gabriel's greeting to Mary, and words spoken to her by her cousin Elizabeth in the first sentence; the second reflects the belief and hope that those who are in heaven, and especially Mary, are our friends and family can pray for us as we pray now for our friends around us here on earth.

All **Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

At the offertory the altar is prepared, the sacred vessels, the chalice (cup) and paten (plate) are laid out and the gifts of bread and wine are offered back to God who first gave them to us. To mark these things out as holy offerings set aside for God blessings particular prayers are said. The priest washes his hands asking for purity (and practically its more hygienic, especially in these Covid times). After the priest has said the offertory prayers and censed the gifts, he too is censed and then the congregation, when the server bows to us we **stand and bow** in return.

During the Offertory we sing the hymn:

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| 1 Lord Jesus, think on me,
And purge away my sin;
From earthborn passions set me free,
And make me pure within. | 4 Lord Jesus, think on me,
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point thou the heavenly way. |
| 2 Lord Jesus, think on me,
with care and woe opprest;
let me thy loving servant be,
and taste thy promised rest. | 5 Lord Jesus, think on me,
When flows the tempest high:
When on doth rush the enemy
O Saviour, be thou nigh. |
| 3 Lord Jesus, think on me,
Amid the battle's strife;
In all my pain and misery
Be thou my health and life. | 6 Lord Jesus, think on me,
That, when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
And share thy joy at last. |

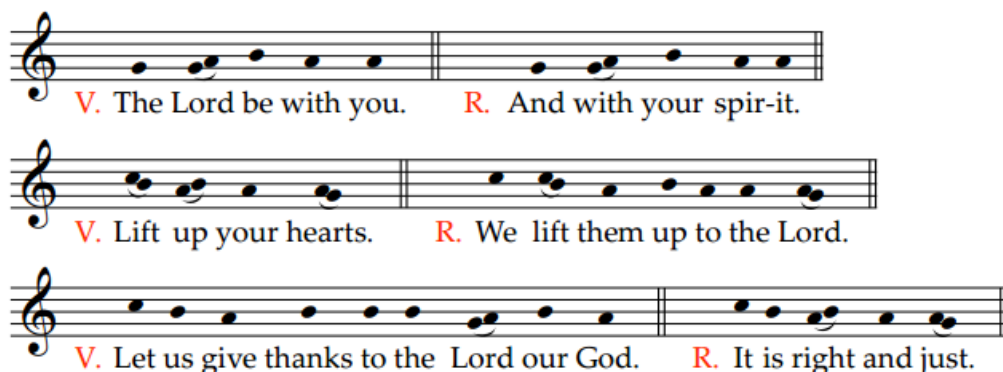
Greek, Synesius of Cyrene (375-430)
Tr A. W. Chatfield (1808-1896)

The priest prays silently asking Our Lady the saints will join with us in prayer, he then asks us to pray with and for him:

Priest Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.**

The priest then prays the prayer over the gifts before beginning the Eucharistic (thanksgiving) Prayer, saying:



V. The Lord be with you. R. And with your spir-it.

V. Lift up your hearts. R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is right and just.

The priest goes on to say or sing the Preface, this speaks to the theme of the day on special occasions or reminds us of important things to do with Jesus' mission to. It begins the Eucharistic Prayer which is a remembering of the Last Supper certainly, but most especially it is the re-presenting of Jesus' sacrifice of himself on the Cross. The preface ends with words used to greet Jesus when he entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.

**All Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
 Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of
 the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

*All **kneel or sit** and the priest continues with the prayer during which the gifts of bread and wine are consecrated and so very truly become the Body and Blood of Jesus. During the prayer the priest makes many gestures and blessings which may seem strange, do speak to him afterwards and he his happily talk to you about what happens. Part way through comes the following acclamation and response:*

**Priest The Mystery of Faith
All We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess
 your Resurrection until you come again.**

The prayer continues and concludes:

**Priest Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all glory and honour is yours,
 for ever and ever.
All Amen.**

*All **stand** and the Priest invites us to join in saying the Lord's Prayer*

The Communion Rite

**All Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name;
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into
 temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.**

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray...
All **For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.**

The priest introduces the Peace.

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always.
All **And with your Spirit.**

We may be invited to offer one another a sign of Peace, please do be considerate of others and perhaps opt for something non-physical.

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

The priest then breaks the consecrated Host and drops a tiny fragment into the chalice to symbolise the re-joining of Christ's body and blood after it was spilled on the Cross. To prepare himself to receive communion he prays silently and we are encouraged to do the same. The priest invites us to receive communion by elevating the Broken Host and saying:

Priest Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
All **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*Having acclaimed the Real Presence of Christ the clergy make their communion. If you have been joining us for the Rosary or would like to begin that meditation this might be an ideal moment to reflect on **The Fifth Luminous Mystery – The Institution of the Eucharist** or **The First Glorious Mystery – The Resurrection**? Perhaps offer a decade thinking about either of these after you make your communion? We **stand** for the prayer after communion.*

The Concluding Rites

Priest The Lord be with you
All **And with your Spirit**
Priest May Almighty God bless + you...
All **Amen**
Priest Go forth the mass is ended.
All **Thanks be to God**

*We **remain standing** and again the priest kisses the altar in a gesture of thanks and farewell. The priest altar party return to the sacristy as the Recessional Hymn is sung:*

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| <p>1 Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven!
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.</p> | <p>3 Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows!</p> |
| <p>2 Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness</p> | <p>4 Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace!
Henry Francis Lyte</p> |

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Prayer List

The Sick And Those In Need

June, Ethan, Jim, Alex, Paul, and Joan

The Recently Departed

Allen Townsend (Pr), Irene Blisset, Ruth Embleton

This Week's Anniversaries

John Ebrill, Cyrill Harvey, Esther Tryner, and Jenny Martin

Notes on the Diary:

Days in italicised type called Ferias are the 'ordinary' weekdays of the year or season

Days in plain type are memoria, commemorations of the saints

**Days in bold type are feasts, they are the more important days in the year
DAYS IN BOLD CAPITALS ARE SOLEMNITIES, THESE ARE THE MOST
IMPORTANT DAYS AND IF POSSIBLE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO BE AT
MASS. (as the BCP would say, red letter days!)**

The letters after a saint's name indicate something about them M = Martyr, Bp = Bishop, Pr = Priest, Dn = Deacon, Rel = Religious, V = Virgin and so on.

The letter in brackets indicates the liturgical colour of the day, green, red, white and so on

The item in brackets is the mass/prayer intention for the day.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Sunday Year C – Weekday Lectionary Year II – Psalter Week 2

Monday 26th September

Ss Cosmas and Damian, Mm (R)

(for surgeons)

9.00am Morning Prayer (SS)

10.00am Mass (SS)

6.00pm Evening Prayer (SS)

Tuesday 27th September

S. Vincent de Paul, Pr (W)

(for those in prison)

9.00am Morning Prayer (HT)

10.00am Mass (HT)

6.00pm Evening Prayer (HT)

Wednesday 28th September

S. Wenceslaus, M (R)

(for the sick and those in need)

9.00am Morning Prayer (SW)

6.00pm Evening Prayer (SW)

6.20pm Rosary (SW)

7.00pm Mass (SW)

Thursday 29th September

**Ss Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,
Archangels (W)**

(for those under the patronage of the angels)

9.00am Morning Prayer (SS)

10.00am Mass (SS)

6.00pm **NO** Evening Prayer (SS)

7.30pm S. Michael's Cross Heath Patronal Festival

Friday 30th September

S. Jerome, Pr & Dr (W)

(for biblical scholars)

9.00am Morning Prayer (HT)

11.00am Funeral Service – Ruth Embleton (SS)

11.20am Rosary (HT)

12.00noon Mass (HT)

6.00pm Evening Prayer (HT)

Saturday 1st October

S. Therese of the Child Jesus, V & Dr (W)

(for a Team Vicar and the growth of our congregations)

9.00am Morning Prayer (SW)

10.00am Mass (SW)

6.00pm Evening Prayer (SW)

Sunday 2nd October

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME (G)**

(Our Team, mission and outreach)

9.30am SUNG DISTRICT MASS (SW)

10.30am SUNG DISTRICT MASS (HT)

11.30am SUNG DISTRICT MASS (SS)