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Benefice Prayer List

We pray for those sick, ill, or who need our prayers:

Herbert Websdell, Myra Payne, Paula Brewster, Kathy Leeder, Sheena Duncan, Ken Deighton, Ruth Cawcutt. Gary Took. Those battling cancer.

For all carers, particularly those caring for loved ones at home.

For the repose of the souls of those recently departed: Margaret Smith, Ryan Balls, Cyril Burridge

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this month:

Raymond Warner, Elizabeth Lim, Russell Norman, Mary Allen

Dates for your Diary

14th MU Meeting, The Brewhouse, PMKT, 2.30pm Lasting Power of Attorney made simple, all welcome

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14th Benefice Council, Starston Jubilee Hall, 7.00pm

15th Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

16th Meet & Mardle, DB Church Rooms, 2.00pm

18th D'Burgh cleaning morning for all cleaners, 10.30am

18th Traitors Evening at PMKT, £25pp contact Laura 01379 676906 for details

22nd Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am 29th Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

SAFEGUARDING

To report SG concerns please contact Tony Gray on 01379 676321 or tonyigray@gmail.com or to Sue Brice on 01603 882345 or safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org

The Weekly Pewslip

Sunday 12th October 2025

TRINITY 17/PROPER 23/GREEN

Services THIS Sunday 12th October

09.30 Communion, Dickleburgh

09.30 Messy Church, Pulham Market

11.00 Communion, Pulham St Mary

11.00 Great & Small, Starston

15.00 Harvest Communion, Rushall

Services NEXT Sunday 19th October

09.30 Morning Prayer, Dickleburgh

09.30 Communion & Lighthouse, Pulham Market

11.00 All Age Worship, Pulham St Mary

11.00 Communion, Starston

15.00 Taize Service, Thelveton

Midweek Communion

Every Wednesday 10.00am Pulham St Mary Church

Saturday Prayers

Saturday mornings Dickleburgh Church 9.30am

From our Benefice Cycle of Prayer

For our Bishops – particularly Bishop Ian, Bishop of Thetford.

For our Ministry Team – for John and Norman, our assistant priests.

For our Schools – For the children in Reception and Key Stage 1 and their teachers.

For our local businesses and commerce (pubs, shops, cafes, farms etc).

For those living in our parish, particularly those living in streets (from your parish).

For those who serve the church locally – cleaners, flower arrangers and bell ringers.

Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Post Communion

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

TRINITY 17/PROPER 23

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c

A reading from the second book of Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favour, because by him the Lord had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valour, but he was a leper. Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him. And he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 111

- The fear of the Lord, the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.
- 1 Alleluia. I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.
 The works of the Lord are great, sought out by all who delight in them. +
- 2 His work is full of majesty and honour and his righteousness endures for ever.

He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. +

3 He gave food to those who feared him;he is ever mindful of his covenant.He showed his people the power of his works in

- giving them the heritage of the nations. +
- 4 The works of his hands are truth and justice; all his commandments are sure.
 They stand fast for ever and ever; they are done in truth and equity. +
- 5 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his name

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have those who live by it; his praise endures for ever. +

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2.8-15

A reading from the second letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to guarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Luke 17.11-19

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**