

Sunday 17 August 2025

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C

Welcome to today's Parish Mass. A loop system is fitted here for those with hearing devices. A collection will be taken at the Offertory, or if you prefer, a contactless machine is available by the South Porch Door.

Please respect others by not talking now, simply prepare quietly by reading this booklet or today's hymns. You may like to recite this 4th Century prayer of preparation.

Lord Almighty, send down upon this sacrifice your Holy Spirit. May he declare this bread that we shall eat to be the body of Christ, and this cup that we shall drink to be the blood of Christ. May he strengthen and sanctify us who eat this bread and drink this cup, grant forgiveness of our sins and deliver us from the wiles of the devil. May he fill us with his presence to make us worthy of Christ, your Son, and obtain for us eternal life. Amen.

Please stand when the bell rings and join in with the parts in bold.

Setting: Cabrini/Greening

Hymn 368

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

The priest introduces the Mass

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

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, 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.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

The choir sings Kyrie eleison Darke in E Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest, and 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.

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 of the Father, have mercy on us.

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. Amen.

Let us pray.

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love,

so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Please be seated

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

38:4-6, 8-10

In those days: The officials said to the king, 'Let this man, Jeremiah, be put to death, for he is weakening the hands of the soldiers who are left in this city, and the hands of all the people, by speaking such words to them. For this man is not seeking the welfare of this people, but their harm.' King Zedekiah said, 'Behold, he is in your hands, for the king can do nothing against you.' So they took Jeremiah and cast him into the cistern of Malchiah, the king's son, which was in the court of the guard, letting Jeremiah down by ropes. And there was no water in the cistern, but only mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud.

Ebed-melech went from the king's house and said to the king, 'My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they did to Jeremiah the prophet by casting him into the cistern, and he will die there of hunger, for there is no bread left in the city.' Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, 'Take thirty men with you from here, and lift Jeremiah the prophet out of the cistern before he dies.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

33(32):1,12. 18-19. 20, 22. R12b

LORD, make haste to help me!

I waited, I waited for the LORD, and he stooped down to me. He heard my cry.

LORD, make haste to help me!

He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock, made my footsteps firm.
LORD, make haste to help me!

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the LORD.

LORD, make haste to help me!

Wretched and poor though I am, the Lord is mindful of me. You are my rescuer, my help; O my God, do not delay. LORD, make haste to help me!

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Hebrews

12:1-4

Brothers and Sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or faint-hearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

12:49-53

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptised with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided: three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated

Homily - Fr Spicer



After a time of reflection please stand when the priest stands.

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,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

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.

The Bidding Prayers with the response after each intention:

Lord, hear us, Lord graciously hear us.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord And let light perpetual shine upon them. **May they rest in peace. Amen.**



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



After a brief silence the Priest concludes the prayers. Please then be seated for the Offertory, during which a collection will be taken for God's work here-thank you. The bread, wine, altar, cross, priest and people are censed. Please stand when the thurifer approaches.

Hymn 271

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

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.

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For through his Paschal Mystery, he accomplished the marvellous deed, by which he has freed us from the yoke of sin and death, summoning us to the glory of being now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for your own possession, to proclaim everywhere your mighty works, for you have called us out of darkness into your own wonderful light.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

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

Please kneel

The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

After the words of the Consecration:

The mystery of faith.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again

The prayer concludes with:

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. **Amen.**

Please stand

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All offer one another the sign of peace

Please kneel

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.

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.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon
With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

Please come forward now to one of the three Holy Communion stations. If you are used to receiving Holy Communion, then share with us, otherwise bow your head for a blessing.

The Body (Blood) of Christ. Amen.

The choir sing the Anthem O salutaris hostia – Saint Saens

Be still, my soul! the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul! your best, your heav'nly friend
Thru' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul! your God does undertake
To guide the future as he has the past;
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he lived below.

Be still, my soul! when dearest friends depart And all is darkened in the vale of tears, Then shall you better know his love, his heart, Who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears. Be still, my soul! your Jesus can repay From his own fullness all he takes away.

Be still, my soul! the hour is hast'ning on When we shall be forever with the Lord, When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.

Be still my soul! when change and tears are past, All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Kathrina von Schlegel

Please stand when the priest stands

Let us pray.

Made partakers of Christ through these Sacraments, we humbly implore your mercy, Lord, that, conformed to his image on earth, we may merit also to be his coheirs in heaven. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**



Bow down for the blessing

Graciously enlighten your family, O Lord, we pray, that by holding fast to what is pleasing to you, they may be worthy to accomplish all that is good, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Mass is ended. Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.

Hail, our Queen and Mother blest! Joy when all was sadness, Life and hope you brought to birth, Mother of our gladness!

Pray for us, O Patroness, be our consolation! Lead us home to see your Son, Jesus, our salvation!



You may like to recite this 4th Century prayer of thanksgiving.

Father, we thank you for your holy name which you have made to dwell in our hearts and for the knowledge, faith and immortality which you have made known to us through your servant Jesus. To you be glory for ever.

Amen

Please be respectful of the organist and those who wish to listen to the voluntary by remaining quiet until it is over.



Organ Voluntary

This is one of the "difficult" Gospels. None of your "gentle Jesus, meek and mild" about this profession of intent, which is not to divide for the sake of division, but expecting division as a result of the choices his teaching will force people to make. It calls for a gritty piece of music, not some jolly volley for a summer's day! So here is a serious one to respond to a serious challenge: **Bach's C minor Prelude**, BWV 546 statuesque and with stark contrasts between pillar-like

chords and flowing conversational lines, between plain quavers and triplets (3 in the space of 2). It is not based on anything, but I think it suits the moment.

Please take this booklet home with you for the coming week's notices.

Refreshments are available now at the back of church.

Please join us.



Please pray for

Those receiving exam results;



Those due to be married in Priory on Saturday;

Aaron Marklew and Jessica Blohm

Robert Brion Garnett to be ordained Deacon here September 7th;

For peace especially in the DR Congo, the Holy Land, Lebanon, Ukraine, South Sudan, Sudan, Yemen and Syria; for all who suffer hunger;

our GP surgeries, hospice, hospital, and care homes;

the sick, especially,

Bev, Chris, Christine, Eric, Jan, Jon, Keith, Linda, Lynn, Mick, Paul, Richard, Tuomas, Violet and Wendy

for those who are unable to attend Mass,

Anne, Christine, Hazel, June, and Judith

and for those who have died recently,

Margaret Pridmore and Lillian Hill

for those whose anniversaries fall around this time.

17 Aug	Alexander Latimer	
18 Aug	Frances Varley	
20 Aug	Brenda Elizabeth Mould	
23 Aug	Patricia Howell-Everson	



Services for the week ahead				
Today	9.30am 11.15am 11.30am	Mass at Priory with Junior Church Mass at St Paul's with Junior Church Mass at Clumber		
Monday 18 August Feria	9.30am	Mass at Priory		
Tuesday 19 August Feria	9.30am	Mass at St Paul's		
Wednesday 20 August St Bernard	9.30am	Mass at Priory		
Thursday 21 August St Pius X	6.30pm	Mass at Priory		
Friday 22 August Our Lady, Mother & Queen	12.00pm	Mass at Priory		
Saturday 23 August	9.30am	Mass at Priory		
Feria	12.30pm	Wedding at Priory		
Next Sunday	9.30am	Mass at Priory with Junior Church		
21st Sunday in	11.15am	Mass at St Paul's with Junior Church		
Ordinary Time	11.30am	Mass at Clumber		



Live streaming through Worksop Priory Facebook Page will take place whenever possible and technology allows.



GIVING as an act of worship BEFORE GOD

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-15

Due to bank charges for processing cheques and cash, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, people donate money using online banking, even for small amounts. This doesn't cost us a penny. Please indicate in the reference field who it's from, and what for, then we can Gift Aid your donation wherever possible.

Our Virgin Money bank details for standing orders or donations are:

Worksop Priory PCC

Sort Code: **05-09-89** Account Number: **38125853**

For convenience there is also a card machine in the Priory which can be used for donations or regular payments.

You can also donate quickly and easily by scanning our QR code, this includes an option to register your donation for gift aid, it takes a matter of seconds!

Those of you that wish to continue to put cash in the collection plate each week, please note that gift aid envelopes are only required for amounts over £30.



Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.



Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment, or before Mass on Thursday Evening or Friday Lunchtime.

Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit if



we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit

Other Activities					
Tuesday 19 August	10am	Coffee Morning at St Paul's			
	10am	Public Hour at St Paul's			
	1-2pm	CommuniTea at St Paul's			
	2-3pm	Community Pantry at St Paul's			
Wednesday 20	10.15am	Songs and Stories at Priory			
August	6 -7pm	Community Pantry at St Paul's			
Friday 22 August	10.30am	Public Hour at Priory			



PLEASE BE MINDFUL...

You may well have heard that recently there have been some thefts of personal possessions left unattended in church. Please, be aware, keep your bags closed and, along with other valuables, about your person always. We hope this will reduce any further opportunistic thefts.

Bassetlaw Food Bank



There are collection boxes at the back of both Priory and St Paul's churches.



St Paul's Community Pantry



Opening Hours: Tuesdays 2pm -3pm Wednesdays 6pm -7pm All are welcome, no referral necessary!



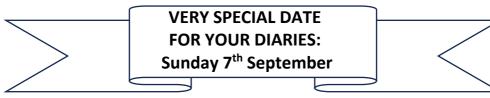
£5 buys a mixed bag of produce, fresh and frozen and ambient products depending on availability.



you can volunteer for. Thank you!

WORKSOP PRIORY & GATEHOUSE OPEN DAY SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2025

We are expecting a good number of visitors for this years National Heritage Open Day with the Church and Gatehouse open 10am to 4pm. Volunteers are needed as welcomers (church & Gatehouse Chapel) and to serve refreshments (with donations of cakes/buns/scones etc). Donations also required for a tombola, book stall and bric-a-brac. If you are able to run a stall to raise funds for church please let Susan know. Please sign the list in church to indicate the hours



At 6.30pm Sunday 7th September Bishop Stephen will be here to ordain Robert Garnett to the Diaconate. Living in Conrad Close, Robert is the new Full Time Curate for the Priory Parish.

So as many of us as possible can attend there will be no Mass at Clumber that day and the 9.30am and 11.15am Masses will be simple, said Masses of the Day. Please make every



effort to be at this exciting occasion and sign the list in church so we can have a number for refreshments.

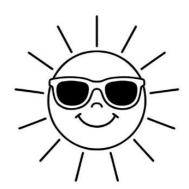
If you would like to be part of a "welcome to Worksop pack" please leave your donation in the box in the Churchwarden's pew. Anything that you think a new homeowner might need or want, gratefully received. Thank you!

PRIORY TRIP TO GRIMSBY VIA CLEETHORPES

Thursday 28th August – departing 11am and returning 9pm.

Thank you to all who have already paid the coach fare. If you haven't could you please arrange payment of £35 by 19th August.

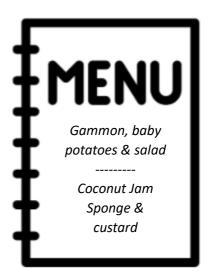
There are some seats spare on the coach, so if you would like to join this trip to Grimsby (via Cleethorpes seafront) to celebrate the Feast of St Augustine with Fr Mason's new parish, please just contact Susan (07355 850735 or admin@worksoppriory.co.uk). Thank you!



PARISH LUNCH

The next lunch will be on Sunday 24th August at 12.30pm for only £8.00.

Please add your name to the list at the back of church or contact Susan who will be happy to add your name for you.



Congratulations!

Wednesday 13th August 2025



£20	18	Miss L Davison
£10	52	Mr P Spridgeon
£5	77	Mrs L Spridgeon
£5	07	Mrs D Batty

Subscription Information:

To make this enterprise simpler to manage we please ask that subscriptions be paid by bank transfer if possible and referenced '100 CLUB'. Cash payments should be in an envelope clearly marked '100 CLUB' with your NAME and NUMBER. Each number is £1 per week. Envelopes can be placed in the collection plate or passed to a member of the clergy, lvy Underwood, Keith Wake or Susan Bekisz.

AVAILABLE NUMBERS 29,32,34,59,61,62,63,72,74,50,81,82,84,86,89,91,92,96,97

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