



The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham Coventry Group

Sunday 24th September 2023

The Solemnity of Our Lady of Walsingham



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GRANT, we beseech thee, O Lord God, that as in the mystery of the Incarnation the blessed and ever-Virgin Mary conceived thy Son in her heart before she conceived him in her womb: so we, thy pilgrim people, rejoicing in her patronage, may welcome him into our hearts; and, like her, be made a holy house fit for his eternal dwelling; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

First reading *Sirach 24:1,3,8-12,19-22*

Wisdom will praise herself, and will glory in the midst of her people. In the assembly of the Most High she will open her mouth, and in the presence of his host she will glory: "I came forth from the mouth of the Most High, and covered the earth like a mist. I dwelt in high places, and my throne was in a pillar of cloud. Then the Creator of all things gave me a commandment, and the one who created me assigned a place for my tent. And he said, 'Make your dwelling in Jacob, and in Israel receive your inheritance.' From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for eternity I shall not cease to exist. In the holy tabernacle I ministered before him, and so I was established in Zion. In the beloved city likewise he gave me a resting place, and in Jerusalem was my dominion. So I took root in an honoured people, in the portion of the Lord, who is their inheritance. Come to me, you who desire me, and eat your fill of my produce. For the remembrance of me is sweeter than honey, and my inheritance sweeter than the honeycomb. Those who eat me will hunger for more, and those who drink me will thirst for more. Whoever obeys me will not be put to shame, and those who work with my help will not sin."

Second reading *Galatians 4:4-7*

Brethren: When the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

Gospel *John 19: 25-27*

At that time:

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother,

"Woman, behold, your son!"

Then he said to the disciple,

"Behold, your mother!"

And from that hour

the disciple took her to his own home.



Saint of the Week

24th September

Our Lady of Walsingham



Our Lady of Walsingham is a title of Mary, Mother of Jesus venerated by Catholics, Western Rite Orthodox Christians, and some Anglicans, associated with the Marian apparitions to Richeldis de Faverches, a pious English noblewoman, in 1061 in the village of Walsingham in Norfolk, England. Lady Richeldis had a structure built named "The Holy House" in Walsingham which later became a shrine and place of pilgrimage.

O Mary, recall the solemn moment when Jesus, your divine son, dying on the cross, confided us to your maternal care. You are our mother, we desire ever to remain your devout children. let us therefore feel the effects of your powerful intercession with Jesus Christ. make your name again glorious in the shrine once renowned throughout England by your visits, favours, and many miracles.

Pray, O holy mother of God, for the conversion of England, restoration of the sick, consolation for the afflicted, repentance of sinners, peace to the departed.

O blessed Mary, mother of God, our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us. Amen.

Notices and news

Recently departed

Terry Hutchinson
Mary Marcer
Pamela Read
Fr John Morley-Bunker
Mgr David Silk

Anniversaries of death

O GOD, the Father of mercies: grant unto the souls of thy servants a place of refreshment, the blessedness of rest, and the brightness of light; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Ann Wilson's Reception & Confirmation

A date for your diary. Following a period of preparation over the past year or so, Ann Wilson will be received and confirmed during the **7.30pm Mass on Thursday 30th November, St. Andrew's Day**. In that way she will begin a new Church year in the full communion of the Church. Please try your very best to be here to show your support for Ann and pray for her in the meantime.

Baptism of Teddy and Molly Ingram

Another date for your diary and to look forward to is the baptism of John and Sarah Ingram's grandchildren, Teddy and Molly, which will be at **2.30pm on Sunday 15th October**.

Solemn Evening & Benediction THIS WEDNESDAY, 7pm



There will be a monthly weekday celebration of Solemn Evensong and Benediction in the parish (using Divine Worship Daily Office) beginning **THIS WEDNESDAY, 27th September**. I'm delighted that Tim Campaign will be the organist.

The idea is to make our existing monthly ordinariate gatherings something more open to others and outward-looking, and what better than an act of worship so distinctive to the ordinariate and so beautiful? Followed by some refreshments of course!

Please do make this a monthly priority, and support it as a missionary initiative. It will start small (the size of our existing monthly gatherings), but I think it has the potential to attract others, Catholics and Anglicans, not least because it will be **livestreamed**.

Livestreamed Evensong Sunday to Thursday

As you know, Evening Prayer is prayed publicly in church **Sunday to Thursday at 5.30pm**, using Divine Worship Daily Office. Sometimes it is just me; on other occasions I'm joined by one or two people. I've recently started livestreaming it, so again there is the potential that others will join in remotely, as I know they have been doing. I'd love you to join me, either remotely or in person if you're able. I'm more and more convinced that the ordinariate Office Book is a very powerful tool in our hands – in gathering us around a very authentically Anglican liturgy and in reaching out to others and sharing a new expression of prayer. Evensong lasts about 30 minutes:

Versicles and responses

Psalms

First Lesson

Office hymn

Magnificat
Second Lesson
Nunc Dimittis
Apostles' Creed
Our Father
Versicles and responses
Collect of the Day
Collect for Peace
Collect for Aid against all Perils

Thursday evening Mass

Please do attend Thursday evening Mass if you are able, which is celebrated according to Divine Worship.

A new home found for The Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. John Henry Newman's prayers have been answered! Deo gratias!



Here is a press release from the Archdiocese of Birmingham, included in Monsignor Newton's address to the clergy of the Ordinariate.

A new era for Aston Hall, Stone

Archdiocese of Birmingham sells site to The St Barnabas Society

The Archdiocese of Birmingham is pleased to announce it has agreed, subject to contract, the sale of Aston Hall in Stone, Staffordshire, to The St Barnabas Society.

Aston Hall has been owned by the Archdiocese since 1959 and used as a guest house for priests and a home for retired and convalescent priests. It has an impressive Catholic history, most notably as the hiding place for the bones of St Chad, which were discovered under the altar in the Hall chapel, having been brought to Aston Hall from Lichfield Cathedral for safekeeping during the Reformation.

In 1842, Blessed Dominic Barberi arrived from Italy and founded a Passionist novitiate at the Hall.

In recent times the number of priests choosing to stay at Aston Hall had fallen to low single figures and at the time the final decision was taken to make the house available for sale there was only one priest in residence who was found accommodation closer to his family. At this level of occupancy, the current arrangements were not sustainable and for some time we have been searching for an appropriate buyer and new owner.

The Grade II listed property was designed by Edward Welby Pugin as a private house, though the site itself is much older.

The St Barnabas Society 'is a registered charity which operates in Great Britain and Ireland. It exists to provide pastoral and financial help on behalf of the whole Catholic community to former clergy and religious of other Christian denominations and other world faiths, who are resident in Great Britain and Ireland, and who have been led by faith and conscience into the full communion of the Catholic Church'.

The Society intends to use Aston Hall as a new home for the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary and its vision to make the Society more widely known within the Catholic Church. The rich Catholic history attached to the property will provide a solid foundation for its future development.

There will also be investment in providing apartments for retired priests, with the Hall being used for retreats and meetings.

Fr Paul Martin, Director of the St Barnabas Society, said: "I am delighted that the Trustees of the Archdiocese of Birmingham have agreed to the offer of the St Barnabas Society for the purchase of Aston Hall, in Staffordshire, as a new home for the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our vision to make the Society more widely known within the Catholic Church.

"We are confident that Aston Hall will provide for all our needs and that the rich Catholic history attached to this property will provide a solid foundation for their future development.

"May the intercession of St Chad, whose relics were hidden there at the time of the Reformation, of Blessed Dominic Barberi, who made his home there and used it as a centre for his missionary activity, and of the Venerable Ignatius Spencer, who began his

novitiate as a Passionist there, help us as we move the Society forward to a fruitful future. May that same intercession help the St Barnabas Society to extend the sphere of its activity and, in doing so, assist the Archdiocese of Birmingham and the wider Church in bringing the riches of the Catholic Faith to our society in the 21st Century.”

Archbishop Bernard Longley said: “I am delighted that a sale has been agreed with The St Barnabas Society and that Aston Hall will remain within Catholic ownership. The work of The St Barnabas Society reflects many of the priorities of our Diocesan Vision and I am grateful that the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary have found a new home for their apostolate of prayer within the Archdiocese. It is a blessing that Aston Hall will continue to offer accommodation for retired clergy and to welcome those who come on pilgrimage to seek the intercession of Blessed Dominic Barberi.”

Parish pilgrimage to Walsingham 2023

The parish pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, **Monday 23rd – Thursday 26th October 2023, has been confirmed.** So far, there are 19 pilgrims, including a good number of the Ordinariate community.

Pilgrims have been sent information about payment this last week. Information about the itinerary will be sent out soon.



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Praying the Daily Office this week

Evening Prayer is recited publicly in church Sunday to Thursday at 5.30pm and is livestreamed (see the parish website). **Please join in.**

If you intend to pray daily **Morning Prayer** and **Evening Prayer**, the table below gives you the page numbers for each of the parts of the Office for each day this week. Placing the markers in the correct pages, as indicated in the table below, takes a few minutes each time, but once done, actually praying the Office is quite straight-forward.

The Order of Morning Prayer (MP) (Matins) begins on page 375

The Order of Evening Prayer (EP) (Evensong) begins on page 421

All numbers below refer to *page numbers* in Divine Worship: Daily Office (DWDO), unless otherwise indicated.

Note: the Office hymn is always optional, but encouraged.

Day	Morning Prayer (Matins)				Evening Prayer (Evensong)				Notes
	Psalmody	Readings	Hymn	Collect	Psalmody	Readings	Hymn	Collect	
Sunday 24th SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM	Pss 24 45 85	1958	307	158	Pss 110 113 127	1959	306	158	Sixteenth Week after Trinity
Monday 25 th Feria	592	1667	202	102	595	1669	202	102	
Tuesday 26 th Feria	597	1671	202	102	599	1672	203	102	
Wednesday 27 th St. Vincent de Paul, Priest	601	1674	203	159	604	1675	204	159	
Thursday 28 th Feria	606	1677	204	102	609	1960	293	160	EP I of Michaelmas
Friday 29 th ST. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, Archangels (Michaelmas)	612	1961	294	160	615	1962	293	160	
Saturday 30 th St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor	616	1683	205	160	619	1684	201	101	EP I of 17 th Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 1st October 17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	463	1686	201	101	466	1689	201	101	

For those who are looking initially for something a little simpler, the **Office of Prime** (page 397) is a shorter form of prayer for the morning, and the **Office of Compline** (page 427) is a shorter form of prayer for the evening. These will take about 10 minutes each to pray.