

Wis. 7:7-11

I prayed and understanding was given me;
I entreated and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty;
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Psalm response:

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord relent! is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R/.**

2. In the morning fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune.
R/.

3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands.
R/.

Heb. 4: 12-13

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword, but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit; or joints from the marrow; it can judge secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.
Alleluia!*

Mark 10: 17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt down before him and put this question to him, 'Good Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; you must not commit adultery; you must not steal; you must not bring false witness; you must not defraud; honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case,' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them, 'For men,' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up, 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, mother, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and in the world to come, eternal life.'



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Sunday 14th. October 2018
Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year
Eucharistic Prayer 2
Psalter Week 4 - Weekday Series 2

SAT. 13th.	5.40pm. Rosary 6.00 pm.	Mass	People of the Parish
		St. Mary's C of E Parish Church Horncastle	
SUN. 14th.	9.40am. Rosary 10.00 am.	Mass	Private Intention
MON. 15th	9.40am. Rosary St. Thérèse of Lisieux 10.00 am.	Mass	
TUES. 16th.	9.40am. Rosary Feria 10.00 am.	Mass	Special Intention
THURS. 18th.	6.40pm. Rosary St. Luke 7.00pm.	Mass	Norah & Vincent Conroy RIP
FRI. 19th.	Feria 10.00am.	Mass	
		<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary</i>	
SAT. 20th.	9.40am. Rosary Feria 10.00 am.	Mass	Jimmy McGowan RIP

		Sunday 21st. October Twenty-ninth Sunday of the Year	
SAT. 20th.	6.00pm.	Mass	Private Intention
		St. Mary's C of E Parish Church, H/castle	
SUN. 21st.	10.00 am.	Mass	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Woodhall Spa - Sat. 10.30 am. - 11.00 am.
Horncastle Sat. 5.30 pm. - 5.50 pm.
or on request.

Baptism : By arrangement with the priest.

Marriage: Six months notice - at least.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

Finance:

Envelopes: £113.50 Loose: £191.35 Standing orders: £78.92

Total: £383.77 Thank you.

Collection for Missio (APF) weekend of 20th/21st October On World Mission Sunday every parish throughout the world is asked by the Holy Father to pray and give a monetary gift in support of the young Churches through the Universal Solidarity Fund. MISSIO thanks you for your cooperation and support which is making a vital difference to Churches living in difficult and challenging situations.

RED BOXES Jackie has pointed out that it is time for their emptying – Could box holders please bring them in asap, and certainly before the end of October. Many thanks.

'**Let Earth be Glad**', the Justice and Peace Commission's annual assembly, is on 10 November 2018 at St Hugh's in Lincoln, a short walk from the railway station. Come and join other Catholics who care about justice, peace and care for creation. With Graham Gordon, CAFOD's Head of Public Policy, and Cllr Chris Burke, recent Mayor of Lincoln, we'll imagine what a 'zero-carbon' diocese will look like. Join us for a day of inspiration, challenge and networking, opening with Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick. Share exciting new plans for justice and peace in the diocese. Booking is free at jpnotttingham.eventbrite.co.uk or call 07470 907656.

Faith Hub – for Lincolnshire Catholics

We are looking for young adults (including parents) aged 18 – 35 who are interested in building a community of like-minded Catholics in our county. Meetings are held every two weeks, the next being Sunday 16th September 2018 at 7pm at Our Lady of Lincoln RC Church, Laughton Way, Lincoln LN2 2HE. Please contact info.faithhub@gmail.com for more information. Please come and join us!

“Churches Without Walls”

Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All

We will meet from 7.00pm till 9.00pm on **Tuesday 30th. Oct.** and then every 1st & 4th (not 5th) Tuesday of each month, at the **Lions Den, 26A, Silver Street, Coningsby, LN4 4SG. Free parking** available in Silver Street Car Park. Coming out onto Silver Street, driveway entrance to Lions Den bungalow is across the road, between Ginger Cow Coffee Shop and Doctor's Surgery.

“Come and see!” (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)

“Churches Without Walls” : Programme.

We are exploring “Centering Prayer”, “Lectio Divina”, and “The Cloud of Unknowing”, in relation to each other, leading into a **silent** session of “Contemplative Prayer”.

“Intercessory Prayer” may be offered, **on request.**

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Community Larder

The national and local press have recently publicised the fact that community larders across the country have experienced increased demand and some, it is reported, have run short of food.

There is always an increase in demand during school holidays due to the loss of school lunches, but this year other factors seem to be causing greater need, delay in benefit payments, the introduction of universal credit, or maybe the withdrawal of benefits. Whatever the cause it is essential that we, as a parish, continue with our donations to our local food bank in Horncastle. All non-perishable foods are most welcome, especially tinned meat, jam, soap powder, tinned vegetables and toiletries.

The organisers of the food bank are extremely grateful for the donations from our parish as we do provide a constant and reliable source of food.

Thank you all so much for your donations.

Catholic paper snippets:

- Pope Francis has asked every Catholic in the world to pray the rosary everyday in October seeking Our Lady's assistance in protecting the Church, and 'at the same time making the Church more aware of her sins, errors and the abuses committed in the present and the past, and committed to fighting without hesitation that evil would not prevail.' *The Universe (5/10)*
- A poll has suggested that 67% of Scots would support a ban on Orange parades, with 28% stating they back an outright ban on the Orange Order. *The Catholic Times (17/8)*
- A Vatican initiative, in response to the urging of Pope Francis in 2016, brought together church leaders, international health officials and chief executives of some of the largest drugs companies 'into the same small room where it was hard to hide'. Cardinal Turkson and Mgr. Robert Vitillo urged the gathering to do the right thing, the moral thing, the ethical thing in dealing with children living with HIV in the under-developed world. Few children in the developed world get infected with HIV anymore, so there is little market for drug makers to earn a return on their investment. Children in poor countries do get infected but there is little profit to be made in selling them drugs. Initiatives are being taken to address the problems. *The Catholic Times (17/8)*
- Since the end of July, six Brazilians, including Franciscan Brother Sergio Gorgen, have been on hunger strike to denounce the deteriorating conditions of many Brazilians due to increased violence, unemployment and hunger. The strikers are denouncing the social policies of the current administration as well as the failure of the Federal Supreme Court to uphold the Constitution. Br Sergio said the former president, Lula da Silva, is in prison not because of corruption but because he went against powerful groups who do not care about the lower classes, and so the group are seeking his release so that he can restore hope to the poorest of the country. *The Catholic Times (24/7)*
- Latin American Church leaders have been marking the 50th anniversary of the landmark Bishops' meeting in Medellin, Columbia. It was a Bishops' conference that shifted the Church's emphasis to the 'preferential option for the poor.' 'Medellin led us to connect with that impoverished world and learn how to work in those communities,' said Fr. Rojas, regional co-ordinator of Caritas Latin America and the Caribbean. *The Catholic Times (24/8)*

Thought for the week:

Once a country is habituated to liars, it takes generations to bring the truth back.

Gore Vidal