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Other local Sunday Masses

King's Lynn (Our Lady) PE30 5ES: Sat. Evening 6:00pm, Sunday 11:30am.

Gaywood (Holy Family) PE30 4AX: Sunday 9:30am.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was already being celebrated on 15 August in the 5th century. It bore the sense of Our Lady's "Birth into heaven", The feast began to be celebrated in Rome in the middle of the 7th century. It was not until 1950 that Pope Pius XII proclaimed the Dogma of Mary's assumption body and soul into heaven.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, body and soul, is an eloquent sign of how not only the "soul" but also the "body" is included in the biblical observation that "God found it very good" (Gn 1:31), so much so that in the Virgin Mary, "our flesh" would be assumed into heaven. This does not exempt us from committing ourselves to life here on earth, but rather that with our gaze fixed on the goal, on Heaven, our Homeland, we are driven to commit ourselves during our present life to reflect the Magnificat: to rejoice in God's mercy, to be attentive to all our brothers and sisters we meet along the way, beginning with the weakest and most vulnerable.

The Holy Father's August Prayer Intentions: For evangelization in the city.

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick, especially:

Madeleine Coughlan, Glyn Davis, Fr. Bill Dobson, Fred Grimley, Mary Grimley, Polly Hooley, Sarah King, Nicholas Koning, Anne Lindley, Fr. Henry MacCarthy, Mary McEnnis, Joan McTaggart, Dickie Nally, Sharon Parkin, Michael Rhodes, James Skinner, Joy Skinner, Nicky Sugden, John Witting.

Please pray also for those whose anniversaries occur this week:

Michael Griffiths, Mary Jane Ellis, Denis Murphy, Evelyn Collins, Amy Teresa Barkham, Henryk Joseph Ciszewicz, Gerald Bell, William Gary Warburton, Rosaleen Turner.

LIST of the SICK

I give permission for my name to be included among the Prayers for the Sick

Name: Signature

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St. Edmund, Hunstanton ***with*** ***St. Cecilia, Dersingham***

MASS INTENTIONS 16th - 23rd Aug 2026 (20th Week in Ordinary Time)

Readings at Mass - Sundays: Year A. Weekdays: Cycle II

Assumption of StC Blessed Virgin Mary Solemnity [Ps Wk 4]	OLSE	9:00am	People of the Parish
		<i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> 11:00am	Ints. Roisin Wellard [90 th Birthday]
Monday <i>feria</i>	OLSE	10:00am	Mary Gallagher Cockle RIP
Tuesday <i>feria</i>	OLSE	10:00am	Ints. Fr. Bill Dobson
Wednesday <i>feria or St. John Eudes</i>	StC	10:15am	Bernadette Mallon RIP
Thursday St. Bernard <i>mem</i>	OLSE	10:00am	Amy Teresa Barkham RIP[F]
Friday St. Pius X <i>mem</i>	OLSE	10:00am	Thomas Duggan RIP
Saturday Queenship of BVM <i>mem</i>			

21 st Sunday of the Year [Ps Wk 1]	StC	9:00am	People of the Parish
	OLSE	11:00am	Ints. Will & Patricia Keir

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Sacrament of Reconciliation in the parish

StC - Sundays & Wednesdays after Mass

OLSE - by Request and on the last Friday of the Month after Mass

<u>Ext. Ministers</u>	<u>OLSE</u>	<u>St.C</u>
16 th August	Paul Mulligan	Andrew Wordsworth
	Tom Koning	Carol de Ruyter
23 rd August	Tom Koning	Peg Hunter
	Kathleen Woodhouse	Carol de Ruyter
<u>Readers</u>	<u>OLSE</u>	<u>St.C</u>
16 th August	Elizabeth Howe	Chris Davey
23 rd August	Angela Jewell	Pat Nevin

Information and Events

Rosary Group: Monday 17th August at 2.00pm to be held at St C.

Bible Study: in the Garnett Room, next meeting on Tuesday 18th August 4pm.

ONGOING SOLIDARITY WITH THOSE IN NEED:

So many needs are making themselves felt locally and across the world. Here are some that we continue to help

Venezuela Earthquake Appeal: CAFOD Emergency Envelopes are still available for us to make an offering (see poster)

The Food Bank: Local need and threats to food security continue to rise; all donations of funds or food items (see list in the church) are much appreciated

War-torn Ukraine: Attention from the media to the war waged on Ukraine ebbs and flows in direct proportion to the attention given to other tragedies and disasters; but the need remains. Offers of much-needed medications are welcome.

Important information regarding hospital visits: If you or a relative are in Queen Elizabeth Hospital and require a visit from the priest you should ask the ward staff or family member to contact the Chaplaincy Office or Switchboard. Ward staff are no longer allowed to do this automatically. A message left on the parish telephones may not be dealt with immediately.

MAKE A NOTE! SAVE THE DATE! PARISH PLANS AND BEYOND!

The middle of August already! Which means our minds are turning to the time when we are settled back into the routine of parish life beyond "the holidays". Plans for the coming months are gradually coming together. Here is a taste of what's ahead in the parish and beyond.

Annual Summer Praise on Hunstanton Green on **Sunday 23rd August at 4.30** with music and readings. This has been an uplifting and thoroughly enjoyable way to spend an hour on a sunny summer's afternoon in Hunstanton over recent years. Come along to see for yourself.
Everyone is welcome. Bring a picnic; bring a friend!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE: The date is set! Hopefully safe from heatwave (!), **Saturday 10th October** has been fixed for the parish pilgrimage. As 2026 is the Jubilee year of the Diocese, this year's pilgrimage will be to Norwich. We will start our pilgrimage with Mass in the Walsingham Chapel in the cathedral. Provisional plans include a guided tour in the Cathedral, and, we hope, a visit to the cell of Julian of Norwich, the 14th Century anchorite who lived through the Black Death and is thought to be the first woman to write a surviving book in English, widely acknowledged as one of the great classics of the spiritual life. So there will be plenty in the day to interest, inspire and involve us. Look out for more information about the pilgrimage as the programmes gets firmed up.

SEASON OF CREATION: This runs from **1st September to the 4th October**, the feast of St Francis (although this day falls on Sunday this year, so the readings will be of the Sunday, rather than of the feast).

Some of the events being planned during the Season include:

- **Mass for the Care of Creation**, to be celebrated on **Wednesday 2nd September** at 10.15am at StC. It will be followed by a **coffee morning** open to all - parishioners and visitors, run by our own **Wash SVP**.
- **OLSE Grounds** will be in the spotlight on **Saturday 26th September**. Find out more in forthcoming newsletters!
- **Via Creationis** (or similar!) We are using that name, as we hope to replicate the hugely appreciated Via Creationis held last year in the OLSE grounds.

EXCEPT! that we realised last year that the length of the service, and the amount of standing and walking meant that, for many, it was a challenge. We plan to address that this year. **More information on the service and the date it will be held to be announced in due course.**

What we can say is that the **artwork** - you may have seen the invitation to **create and offer a piece of artwork** in last week's newsletter - will be used in this service. **Don't be shy!** We have a couple of offers lined up already, so add yours to the mix! Further information can be obtained from Pat Fuchter (pat.fuchter@hotmail.co.uk)

- **Saturday 3rd October** - Watch this space! An event to be announced in the next few weeks. To whet your appetite, it will involve food!

LIST of the SICK TO BE PRAYED FOR: Anyone who would like her/his name to be included in this List is invited either to email the Parish Office or complete, sign and return the **form printed overleaf**. Please note that it must be the sick person who gives permission for this by their signature [Data protection laws].

To remove your name from the list please contact the Parish Office.