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DEACON SHAUN MORRISON'S WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday January 22, 2023

Dear Friends,

Today is the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

"The Lord is my light and my help."

Today is also Sunday of the Word of God.

The Sunday of the Word of God takes place on the third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *-Aperuit illis*, published on 30 September 2019, established that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God.

Source: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/motu_proprio/documents/papa-francesco-motu-proprio-20190930 aperuit-illis.html

It is Psalter Week 3 for the Divine Office.

The YouTube link for the 11.30am Mass at Our Lady's is: https://youtu.be/KzoRpZN5RDM

From the Office of Readings:

A reading from the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Second Vatican Council.

Christ is present in his Church

Christ is always present to his Church, especially in the actions of the liturgy. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister (it is the same Christ who formerly offered himself on the cross that now offers by the ministry of priests) and most of all under the eucharistic species. He is present in the sacraments by his power, in such a way that when someone baptises, Christ himself baptises. He is present in his word, for it is he himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church. Finally, he is present when the Church prays and sings, for he himself promised: Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in their midst.

Indeed, in this great work which gives perfect glory to God and brings holiness to men, Christ is always joining in partnership with himself his beloved Bride, the Church, which calls upon its Lord and through him gives worship to the eternal Father.

It is therefore right to see the liturgy as an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ, in which through signs addressed to the senses man's sanctification is signified and, in a way proper to each of these signs, made effective, and in which public worship is celebrated in its fullness by the mystical body of Jesus Christ, that is, by the head and by his members.

Accordingly, every liturgical celebration, as an activity of Christ the priest and of his body, which is the Church, is a sacred action of a pre-eminent kind. No other action of the Church equals its title to power or its degree of effectiveness.

In the liturgy on earth we are given a foretaste and share in the liturgy of heaven, celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem, the goal of our pilgrimage, where Christ is seated at the right hand of

God, as minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle. With the whole company of heaven we sing a hymn of praise to the Lord; as we reverence the memory of the saints, we hope to have some part with them, and to share in their fellowship; we wait for the Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, until he, who is our life, appears, and we appear with him in glory.

By an apostolic tradition taking its origin from the very day of Christ's resurrection, the Church celebrates the paschal mystery every eighth day, the day that is rightly called the Lord's day. On Sunday the Christian faithful ought to gather together, so that by listening to the word of God and sharing in the Eucharist they may recall the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God who has given them a new birth with a lively hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The Lord's day is therefore the first and greatest festival, one to be set before the loving devotion of the faithful and impressed upon it, so that it may be also a day of joy and of freedom from work. Other celebrations must not take precedence over it, unless they are truly of the greatest importance, since it is the foundation and the kernel of the whole liturgical year.

Responsory

- R. As our priest, Christ prays for us; as our head, he prays in us; as our God, we pray to him,* but let us recognise our voices in him and his voice in us.
- When we pray to God, let us not separate ourselves from the Son,* but let us recognise our voices in him and his voice in us.

On Tuesday (24th Jan) at 11.30am there will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for the ministry of Bishop Alan Hopes at the Cathedral. Everyone is welcome.

The Mass will be livestreamed and the YouTube link is: https://www.youtube.com/@CathedralofStJohntheBaptist/streams

The YouTube link for the Ordinariate Mass at 2pm this afternoon at Our Lady's is:

https://youtu.be/h4ll_6EFuQc

The link to our YouTube channel is: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8V030I7usRZiKoTlrwBAKq

And the link to our Parish Website: http://www.catholicparish-kingslynn.org.uk/

God bless

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