

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham in Prittlewell



SUNDAY WITHIN THE CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

28th December 2025

The Holy Family

HYMNS

Int	36	The First Nowell (vv 1-3)
Kyrie		Marbecke (p558-9)
Sanctus		Marbecke (p567)
Agnus Dei		Marbecke (p569)
Com	28	In the bleak mid-winter
Final	36	The First Nowell (vv 4-6)

First Reading

A reading from the book of Sirach

3:2-6, 12-14

The Lord honoured the father above the children, and he confirmed the right of the mother over her sons. Whoever honours his father atones for sins, and whoever glorifies his mother is like one who lays up treasure. Whoever honours his father will be gladdened by his own children, and when he prays he will be heard. Whoever glorifies his father will have long life, and

whoever obeys the Lord will refresh his mother. O son, help your father in his old age, and do not grieve him as long as he lives; even if he is lacking in understanding, show forbearance; in all your strength do not despise him. For kindness to a father will not be forgotten, and against your sins it will be credited to you.

The word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Colossians
3:12-21

Brethren: Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. Children, obey your parents in

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everything, for this pleases the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

The word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Unum petii (Psalm 27:4)*

V. One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord.

R. To behold the fair beauty of the Lord: and to visit his temple.

Alleluia *Gaudete iusti (Psalm 33:1)*

Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel

The Lord be with you: **And with thy spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
2:13-15, 19-23

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now when the Wise Men had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there till I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him". And he rose and took the child and his mother by night, and departed to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt

have I called my son". But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead". And he rose and took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus reigned over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, "He shall be called a Nazarene".

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**



Mass is at the usual time of 9.00am next Sunday.

**6th January is the
FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY**

Mass at 12 Noon