



ST THOMAS MORE CHELTENHAM

WITH ST JOSEPH'S TEWKESBURY AND ST NICHOLAS' WINCHCOMBE

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Psalter 1, Proper of the Season]

Saturday 27 th April	VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY St Thomas More Mass 5.00pm <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Sunday 28 th	St Nicholas' Winchcombe <u>Mass 9.00am</u> With Children's Liturgy <i>[People of the Parish]</i> St Joseph's Tewkesbury <u>Mass 11.00am</u> With Children's Liturgy <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Monday 29 th	FEAST OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA St Nicholas' Rosary 7.00pm
Tuesday 30 th	Weekday of Easter St Thomas More Adoration 5.30pm Mass 6.00pm <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Wednesday 1 st May	Weekday of Easter St Joseph's Tewkesbury Adoration 9.30am Mass 10.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Thursday 2 nd	Memorial of St Athanasius No Mass – Father away training
Friday 3 rd	St James' Postlip FEAST OF ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES First Friday Mass 11.00am <i>[Jaime Caravana Jr RIP]</i>
Saturday 4 th	<u>11.00AM CONFIRMATION MASS</u> <u>GREGORY'S CHELTENHAM</u> VIGIL MASS St Thomas More 5.00pm <i>[Margaret Martin RIP]</i> & <i>[Agnes and Thomas Cronin]</i>

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 5 th	St Josephs Mass 9.00am <i>[Richard & Ann Williams & children]</i> St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
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RECONCILIATION

Please know that Father Joby is usually available to hear confessions prior to each of our Masses

Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading [Acts 9: 26-31]

Barnabus explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul on his journey.

Responsorial Psalm

Your, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

Second Reading [1 John 3: 18-24]

His commandments are these: that we believe in his Son and that we love one another.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! *Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!*

Gospel [John 15: 1-8] *Just as the branch has to be attached to the vine if it is to bear fruit, so we have to be united to Christ if we are to bear the fruits of love.*

Communion Antiphon *I am the true vine and you are the branches says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia*



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IN YOUR PRAYERS + Please pray for the sick in our parish, those who care for them and all whose anniversaries occur in May Patrick Cassidy, Christopher Coughlan, Catherine Tyhurst, Chris Meehan, Beryl Soul, Lucy Sauter, Michael Harwar and Michael Francis Crosbie Please let our administrator know if any others should be added.

Next Saturday in St Gregory's 80 young people across our deanery are to be confirmed by Bishop Declan. Please pray for them.

SECOND COLLECTION + Our retiring collection for Clergy Training last week realised £210.00 Thanks to all for this great result.

FISH & CHIP SUPPER + Thanks to all who made the event such a success -both socially and financially.

EPISCOPAL ORDINATION + A small group of parishioners will attend the Mass at 12pm on **Wednesday 8th May** in Clifton Cathedral when Canon Bosco McDonald is installed as Bishop. Please keep him and also Bishop Declan in your prayers

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILS + Please keep at the forefront of your minds that fact that we are now seeking to reform our PPC in May. Ideally, 9-12 members from differing backgrounds/ages/experiences/perspectives. Meetings will be quarterly going forward. Five people have so far indicated their willingness to continue serving the parish but it would be great to new people, with possibly fresh ideas – please could we encourage people to step forward and let Father Joby know of their willingness to be part of the PPC.

FAMILY LIFE + The Bishop celebrates Mass in Clifton on Saturday 25 May (12 noon) and invites people to join him to celebrate family life, particularly those with significant anniversaries during 2024. Names and addresses of such couples need to be submitted to Clifton to allow personal invitations to be sent out. 0117 902 5595 or send an email to adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

JOB VACANCY + Clifton are currently looking to recruit a Finance and Property Support Officer to strengthen its central finance and property functions. The role is a part-time, 2year fixed term contract, to be worked over 25 hours per week and based at Alexander House, Bristol. The successful applicant will need to have a comprehensive knowledge of Microsoft Office, good communication and organisational skills, to include time management and working on various tasks simultaneously. Previous administrative experience and a can-do flexible attitude are essential. For further information please go to [Working for us | Clifton Diocese](#) or contact Simon Hussey, Head of Finance on 0117 902 5591. The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 10th May 2024.

A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER + With a general election due this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. A Year of Encounter is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including online sessions on Thursday 25th April and Saturday 4th May to learn more.

SECOND COLLECTION + Next weekend there is a second collection for the Clifton Children's Society throughout the diocese.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION + There will be a talk on Tuesday 7 May at 2.30pm, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts' Hall, Charlton Kings. Peter Harrison will speak to us on: **The Clifton Cathedral Story: the Building and its People** Please see poster

ADMINISTRATOR LEAVE + The parish office will be unmanned 29th Apr–14th May. Please use email during this time for notices.

Tuesday responses –

Entrance Antiphon	<i>Sing praise to our God, all you who fear God, both small and great, for now salvation and strength have come, and the power of his Christ, Alleluia.</i>
Responsorial Psalm	<i>You friends, O Lord, shall make know the glorious splendour of your reign.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! <i>It was ordained that the Christ should suffer and rise from the dead, and so enter into his glory. Alleluia!</i>
Communion Antiphon	<i>If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him Christ Alleluia.</i>

PARISH PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, bless our parish family. May we experience your Divine Providence in all our needs - both spiritual and material. Protect us from all harm. Shower your abundant grace on all in our parish family.

Strengthen among the members the bond of fraternal love and sharing. May we grow in generosity and concern for the needy. Keep our priest faithful in obedient service to you so that, by his life and ministry, he may bring you glory in Christ. Strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of sacrifice, so that, with thy grace, we may provide for the needs of our parish. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen