

# THREE SAINTS PARISHES

St Joseph's Tewkesbury St Nicholas' Winchcombe St Thomas More Cheltenham
PARISH PRIEST FATHER JOBY LUKOSE
PARISH ADMINISTRATOR CHRISTINE DAVIES

# SEVENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

[Psalter 3]

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY

St Thomas More Mass 5.00pm

[Maria Jones RIP]

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> St Joseph's Tewkesbury

Mass 9.00am with Children's Liturgy

[PEOPLE OF THE PARISH]

BOOK & JIGSAW SALE AFTER MASS - NEPAL PROJECT

St Nicholas' Winchcombe

Mass 11.00am [PEOPLE OF THE PARISH]

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Nicholas' Rosary 7.00pm

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Thomas More, Cheltenham

Adoration 5.30pm 6.00pm Mass

[Latha Nair RIP]

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's No Adoration

Requiem Mass for Elizabeth (Betty) Fossett 10.00am

Followed by Private Cremation at Cheltenham

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Nicholas' Winchcombe

Adoration 9.30am Mass 10.00am

[PEOPLE OF THE PARISH]

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Weekday in Ordinary Time

**St Thomas More** *5.30 Adoration* **6.30pm Mass** for Vocations to priesthood and religious life

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March Weekday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass of Sunday 5.00pm St Thomas More [Joan Rice RIP]

# **EIGHTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> St Joseph's Mass 9.00am

Children's Liturgy [PEOPLE OF THE PARISH]

St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am [PEOPLE OF THE PARISH]

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<u>Entrance Antiphon</u> O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

1st Reading [1Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23]

The Lord gave you into my hands today, and I would not put out my hand against the Lord's anointed.

Responsorial Ps The Lord is compassionate and gracious

2nd Reading [1 Corinthians 15: 45-49]

"Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven"

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u> Alleluia, alleluia! A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Alleluia

Gospel [Luke 6: 27-38]

Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

Antiphon I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims* of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer

throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS +** Please note the extra mid-week Mass at St Thomas More Church this Friday at 6.30pm

**NEPAL APPEAL +** Thanks to all for our second collections last weekend in support of the children in Nepal. Results were: St Joseph's £105, St Nicholas' £219.18 and St Thomas More £199.00.

**IN YOUR PRAYERS +** Please remember all the sick in our parish and pray also for Betty Fossett, recently deceased – a faithful member of our parish for many years.

Deceased parishioners with anniversaries in February are:

<u>ST JOSEPH'S</u>: Michael Jackson, Anastasia Malone, Sylvia Warren, Arthur Peters, Brian Gibson, Thomas O'Keefe, Muriel Taylor, Stella Goloskok, Adrian Kyyziol, Hugo Pawsey and Thomas Cusick

<u>ST NICHOLAS':</u> Phil Adamson, Lee and John Wilkinson, Gerald Pisani, Albert Backhouse, Louis Hollan, Joan Harsant, Bernard Roney, Mary Birt, Anna Trelfa, Maureen Burnett, Brigid Boardman, Raymond Murphy, Gilbert Jones and Donal O'Connor.

ST THOMAS MORE: Elisabeth Willson, Mary Davenport, Molly Lynch, Mo Chabot, Josef Sauter and John Sauter.

**OUR 2025 JUBILEE** + Our three parishes need to get numbers together shortly to assess how many might be taking the opportunity to join the various pilgrimage options open to our congregation. Please indicate your interest as soon as possible on the noticeboard lists, so that we can begin to discuss and plan transport to these events during this special year.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH WITH CLIFTON +**

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for the diocesan social media accounts (<u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>) to hear directly about events, opportunities for formation and other items of interest. A link to where the newsletter can be found is <a href="https://cliftondiocese.com/clifton-evangelist/">https://cliftondiocese.com/clifton-evangelist/</a> For greater interactivity all are invited to respond to invitations via these channels.

CELEBRATING THE FATHER'S MERCY + There is one event listed in our Parish Booklet that we need to amend. Please delete the service planned for 18<sup>th</sup> March. We are now all invited to join Bishop Bosco during Lent for the Sacrament of Reconciliation as he travels around the diocese during Lent. The Bishop will be visiting a number of parishes, including St Gregory the Great Cheltenham on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm. A number of priests will be available during the service to hear individual confessions and all are encouraged to use this opportunity.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY +**

Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of the penitential season of Lent, is just a week away, on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Please make a note of the mass times: 10.00am at St. Joseph's, 12.30pm at St. Thomas More and 7.00pm at St. Nicholas.

**DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK +** This week we pray for **St Thomas More** parish in Marlborough (with Pewsey)

## WEDNESDAY REQUIEM +

Readings and Hymns for Betty's Requiem Mass will be indicated in the Order of Service provided. The family have arranged for refreshments in Gupshill Manor after the private cremation in Cheltenham.

**FUND RAISING +** Saint Thomas More PPC will hold a **Fish & Chip Supper + Quiz Friday 21**st **March at 7pm.** Tickets £11 can be obtained from Helen 01242 582394. Always a lot of fun and good to be with friends in our three parishes.

**ADMINISTRATOR ON LEAVE +** Office not manned on Tuesday this week. Please leave answerphone

**FOODBANK DONATIONS** + Our Foodbank is emptied each week and sometimes is fuller than others.... One couple in our parish recently shared an excellent way of remembering this valuable local charity – they always write '**FOODBANK**' on the bottom of their weekly shopping list.

## **NEWMAN ASSOCIATION +**

There will be a talk on **Tuesday 4 March at 2.30pm**, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts' Hall Cheltenham. **Tony Comer OBE** (who most of us will know from St Thomas More Parish) worked at GCHQ for 37 years, in a variety of operational roles, mainly involved in supporting the UK and allied military. He will speak to us on: **The Liturgy in 1900: What was English Parish Life like for Parishioners?** All are welcome. Admission: £3 (members & students free) Enquires to Stephanie Jamison, Tel: 01242 539810.