



THREE SAINTS PARISHES

St Joseph's Tewkesbury St Nicholas' Winchcombe St Thomas More Cheltenham

PARISH PRIEST FATHER JOBY LUKOSE

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR CHRISTINE DAVIES

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

- Saturday 3rd Jan St Thomas More Cheltenham
Vigil Mass 5.00pm
[Amelia Salazar Birthday Intention]
- Sunday 4th St Joseph's Tewkesbury Mass 9.00am
With Children's Liturgy
[People of the Parish]
- St Nicholas' Winchcombe Mass 11.00am
With Children's Liturgy
[People of the Parish]
- Monday 5th Weekday of Christmas Time
St Nicholas Rosary 7.00pm
Vigil Mass 7.30pm *[People of the Parish]*
- Tues 6th SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
St Joseph's Mass 10.00am *[Thomas Sundarajoo]*
St Thomas More Mass 12.30pm *[People of the Parish]*
- Wed 7th Weekday of Christmas Time
NO MASSES IN THE PARISH
- Thurs 8th Weekday of Christmas Time
St Nicholas' Winchcombe
Adoration 9.30am Mass 10.00am
[People of the Parish]
- Friday 9th Weekday of Christmas Time
St Nicholas Rosary 9.30am
Mass 10.00am *[People of the Parish]*

JOINT PARISHES FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
ST JOSEPH'S NARTHEX 4.00PM

- Saturday 10th St Thomas More Vigil Mass 5.00pm
[Mavis Critchley REST IN PEACE]

THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

- Sunday 11th St Joseph's Mass 9.00am
With CLOW [People of the Parish]
- St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am
[People of the Parish]

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Entrance Antiphon

When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne..

First Reading [Sirach 24: 1-2 8-12]

'The Wisdom of God has dwelt in the chosen people'

Responsorial Psalm

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to you, O Christ, proclaimed among the nations.
Glory to you, O Chris, believed in throughout the world.
Alleluia

Gospel [John 1:1-18]

'The Word became flesh and dwelt among us'

Communion Antiphon To all who would accept him, he gave the power to become children of God.

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

IN YOUR PRAYERS + Please remember the sick in our parish, the bereaved and those with January Anniversaries :
ST THOMAS MORE : Terry Ruck, Don Soul, Eileen Morgan, Tom Morgan, Margaret Crossan, George Kelly, Barbara Smart, Cathy Gobey, Veronica Gifford and Jim Fitzgerald.
ST NICHOLAS : Alan Collett, Michael Raffety, Olwen Askew, Elizabeth Martin, Patrick Andrew, Michael Sanger, Anne Northover, Janet Woolnough, Alfred Finch, Edna Guest and iris Mayo.
ST JOSEPH'S : Olekska Szyryj, Thomas Sundarajoo, Robert Shiner, Michael Noone, Rene Joy, Nora Rudd, Gladys Conway, Jo Perrott, Kay Singleton and John Myers

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK + This weekend **St Peter** Cirencester, **St Aldhelm** Malmesbury and **St Michael** Tetbury.

FLOOD DISASTER IN SRI LANKA +

Most parishioners will have heard of the continuing problems in Sri Lanka following the recent floods. This weekend – 3rd and 4th January we will take up a second collection across our three parishes to help alleviate the suffering. The enormous deluge of rain in Sri Lanka caused floods which have destroyed so many homes, villages and fields. Almost half of the country was under water.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c5yq26x0dd6o>

CHANGES TO NORMAL SCHEDULE + Please note overleaf times of Masses this Tuesday 6th January– A Holy Day of Obligation when we celebrate the Solemnity the Epiphany, commemorating the revelation of Jesus to the whole world and not just the Jewish people. Readings and responses are in the Parish Mass Book, Page 111

VISITING THE CRIB + The origin of the Christmas crib, is firmly rooted in the life of the Church and in the heart of one of her greatest saints, St Francis of Assisi. Please take the time to visit the one that stands here in our church. Collection boxes are placed alongside the various Nativity scenes so that we can support the various charities who do such good work in our diocese. Thank you

RECOMMISSIONING + Our Ministers of the Word in each of our three parishes are encouraged to step forward and renew their commitment during Masses next weekend (10th and 11th January). Please let Fr Joby know if you need to make an appointment at an alternative time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE + Our Joint Parishes Finance Committee will convene on Friday 9th January at St Joseph's for their quarterly meeting. A draft agenda together with minutes from the September 2025 will be found in email boxes. All in our parishes should feel free to submit any questions/suggestions they have to a member of the committee.

ADMINISTRATOR ON LEAVE + Please note that the office will be unmanned for some time from 13th January. Chris Davies will return to work on Monday 2nd February. Emails can be sent to the office as normal. Newsletters will be prepared in advance as far as possible. Any notices need to be submitted by Monday 12th for inclusion during January.

FOODBANK NEWS + Staff at **Tewkesbury** FB reported that demand had been higher this year than previously. Warehouse stocks are now depleted quite considerably. Please consider donating something to help with this situation in January The FB collection from **Winchcombe** takes place next Sunday, 11th. Lists of most urgently needed items will be available at this Sunday's Mass. Thank you for thinking of all in our community this Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

Encounter Revive Day - Clifton Cathedral , 17th January 2026 – 9.30am to 4 pm Begin 2026 in the fire of the Holy Spirit by joining us for a Day of Encounter with guest speaker Ros Powell. Let us start the New Year “awake and alert” 1 Thess 5:6. This is a day to renew heart, hope and mission. For more information about the day, email Encounter@cliftondiocese.com or contact Ann on 07815 751556. All welcome.

THURSDAY RESPONSES

Entrance Antiphon	In the beginning and before all ages, the Word was God and he humbled himself to be born the Saviour of the world.
Responsorial Psalm	All the nations on earth shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor; to proclaim liberty to the captives. Alleluia
Communion Antiphon	God so love the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

Parishioners should know that they are able to use a link to read messages/homilies from Fr Joby – Go on line to <https://threesaintsgloucs.org.uk/fr-joby/>