



# THREE SAINTS PARISHES

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

PARISH PRIEST FATHER JOBY LUKOSE

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR CHRISTINE DAVIES

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April St Thomas More *Adoration 4.30pm*  
Vigil Mass 5.00pm *[People of the Parish]*

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> St Joseph's Mass 9.00am  
*[People of the Parish]*  
BOOKS AND JIGSAW SALE AFTER MASS

St Nicholas' Mass 11am *[People of the Parish]*

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Weekday of Easter  
St Nicholas *Rosary 9.30am*

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Weekday of Easter – No Services  
[See Thursday]

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Weekday of Easter  
[Readings for Feast of St George]  
St Joseph's *Adoration 9.30am*  
Mass 10.00am *[George Phillips 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday]*

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> SOLEMNITY OF ST GEORGE  
St. Nicholas, *Adoration 9.30am*  
Mass 10.00am *[Birthday intentions]*  
  
St Thomas More *Adoration 5.30pm*  
Mass 6.00pm *[People of the Parish]*

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Weekday of Easter  
Requiem Mass for Maria Tucker  
12.00pm ST GREGORY'S CHELTENHAM

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> FEAST OF ST MARK, EVANGELIST  
St Thomas More *Adoration 4.30pm*  
Vigil Mass of Sunday 5.00pm  
*[Deceased members of the Sweeney family]*

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Day of Prayer for Vocations – Second Collection

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> St Joseph's Mass 9.00am  
*[People of the Parish]*

St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am  
*With Children's Liturgy*  
*[Derek & Joan Ivory RIP]*

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### Entrance Antiphon

**Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.**

### First Reading [Acts 2: 22-33]

*'It was not possible for him to be held by death'*

### Responsorial Psalm

**O Lord, you will show me the path of life**

### Second Reading [1 Peter 1: 17-21]

*'You were ransomed with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish'*

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia**

**Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn within us when you speak to us. Alleluia**

### Gospel [Luke 24: 13-35]

*'He was known to them in the breaking of the bread'*

### Communion Antiphon

**The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.**

### 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 all the sick of our parish and those who care for them. April Anniversaries in this parish are : Joseph Nolan, Derek Cunningham, Brian Turner, Rose Ballentine, Marion Power, Michael Woollnough, Leonard Warwick, Peter Hackett, Howard Bellingham, Lynda Doran, Janet Weaden and William Philp

**DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK +** This weekend we remember those in all the parishes of **St Dunstan**, Somerton and **Holy Ghost**, Yeovil with South Petherton

**FATHER JOBY AWAY +** This weekend we thank Canon David Ryan for his kindness in celebrating Mass in each of our three churches whilst Father Joby enjoys the last few days of his break.

**CLERGY TRAINING FUND +**

Next weekend we have a second collection for the Clergy Training fund which allows the Bishop to support those who offer themselves for training for the priesthood – it covers their training at seminary and offers them a grant during their years of formation. The fund, at times, is also used to support the on-going formation opportunities for clergy in our diocese and formation of permanent Deacons.

**200 CLUB +** Winners for April, 1st prize Harvey Family (142)2nd prize Ewoud Vorstman (126) 3rd prize Renee Vorstman (125) congratulations to all three.

**CELEBRATING ST GEORGE +** This week we celebrate the feast of St George, Patron saint of England. Many other countries also claim George as their patron (including Ukraine) and he is unique in as much as he is recognized and revered by both Muslims and Christians

**CREATION WALK +** Monday 27th April 2026 6:15 – 7:30pm: all welcome The Cheltenham Laudato Si' Circle invites you to join in a short walk to look at some of our beautiful trees and gardens reflecting God's glory at Easter. Meet 6:15pm, at Uplands, Malvern Rd, Cheltenham GL50 2JH – See poster displayed in church porch.

**PRIOR WARNING +** Although some weeks away still, please note that there will be a change to the time of our Sunday Mass on May 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have Mass here in St Nicholas at **9.00am** and St Joseph's parish will take the 11.00am slot in order that Father Joby can be with the parish in Tewkesbury as they will be celebrating their Patron Saint on that day with Mass and a shared lunch.

**UPCOMING CEILIDH +** Please see the new poster advertising the 8<sup>th</sup> May event, at St Thomas More Hall. Proceeds will support the Enabling Adventure pilgrimage later in the year. There are one or two updates on the information – the cost will be £15 per ticket *including a Ploughman's Supper* and all are welcome to bring their own drinks.

**ENCOUNTER PROGRAMME +** The programme will be run with six speakers, covering a range of topics. The week-day talks are Tuesdays 7-9pm and begin on **21st April – Called to New Life: How the Holy Spirit Began to Guide My Life** - Harry Sadd – 16, College Student A young person's witness to discovering faith in Jesus and experiencing the guidance of the Holy Spirit. **How to Participate** – sessions will be live-streamed from the Cathedral website and can be viewed here; <https://cliftoncathedral.org/stream> Each will also be recorded and available for one week from the Cathedral website. <https://cliftoncathedral.org/stream>

**A DAY AT PRINKNASH +**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2026 10.30am - 4.00pm. **'REFRESHING, RENEWING AND HEALING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT'** - led by the Catholic Evangelist and International Speaker Ros Powell. 'A day to be renewed in your Faith, in your Hope and in your God-given Mission.' Prinknash Meeting Room - See poster in church porch area

**THURSDAY** Mass responses – **ST GEORGE PATRON OF ENGLAND**

Entrance Antiphon	Rejoice you saints, in the presence of the Lamb; a kingdom has been prepared for you from the foundation of the world, Alleluia..
Responsorial Psalm	Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia Blessed in the man who endures trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life Alleluia
Communion Antiphon	If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him; if we persevere, we shall also reign with him. Alleluia