



THREE SAINTS PARISHES

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

PARISH PRIEST FATHER JOBY LUKOSE

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR CHRISTINE DAVIES

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 1 st August	St Thomas More Vigil Mass 5.00pm <i>[Flood family members USA & Australia RIP]</i>
Sunday 2 nd	St Joseph's Mass 9.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i> St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Monday 3 rd	Weekday in Ordinary Time St Nicholas Rosary 10.00am
Tuesday 4 th	Memorial of St John Mary Vianney St Thomas More Adoration 5.30pm Mass 6.00pm Thanksgiving Mass <i>[Basil Caroline RIP]</i>
Wednesday 5 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time St Joseph's Adoration 9.30am Mass 10.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Thursday 6 th	FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION St Nicholas Adoration 9.30am Mass 10.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i>
Friday 7 th	Weekday in Ordinary Time First Friday St James Chapel, Postlip 11.00am Celebrant Fr Francis Hughes
Saturday 8 th	St Thomas More Vigil Mass 5.00pm <i>[Keating & Finnerty family members RIP]</i>

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 9 th	St Joseph's Mass 9.00am <i>[People of the Parish]</i> St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am <i>[John Parr RIP]</i>
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Entrance Antiphon O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! you are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading [Isaiah 55: 1-3] 'Come and eat'

Responsorial Psalm

You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord

Second Reading [Romans 8: 37-39]

'Nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ'

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia.

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God Alleluia

Gospel [Matt 14: 13-21] 'They all ate and were satisfied'

Communion Antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste

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 pray for all the sick of our parish and those who care for them.

August Anniversaries in this parish are: Ted Way, Philip Burns, John Parr, Ted Sutton, Patricia Fisher, Graham Boothman, Lily Doran, Sheila Craven, Philip and Mary Smythe, Tony Backhouse, Andrew Hehir, John Reeve, Joe Fry, Jonathan Keane and Frank Smith

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK + This week we pray for Universities/Colleges/ School chaplaincies in our Diocese

BISHOP'S CHARITABLE FUND + Our collection last weekend raised £165.00 Thank you to all who contributed.

FIRST FRIDAY +

Mass will be celebrated in St James Chapel Postlip by Father Francis Hughes at 11.00am on Friday. The First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a powerful way to deepen your spiritual life and experience the boundless love and mercy of Christ. By dedicating the first Friday of each month to this devotion, you open your heart to the transformative graces promised by Jesus.

KEVIN O'SULLIVAN

The parish has received a generous donation on behalf of Kevin O'Sullivan - a much loved parishioner RIP
"To St Nicholas Church, Kevin asked me to make this small gift to the church, which he had grown to love, on his behalf. Given with love" Rory on behalf of Kevin. Thank you to the O'Sullivan family for carrying out Kevin's wish.

FATHER TONY IN PRINT +

A book published in celebration of Fr Tony's Silver Jubilee celebration and called "The Word Speaks" is a collection of sermons that Fr Tony has shared with his parishes ranging from 2001 to today. The books are offered to us at £10.00 per copy and those supplying them (in the west country) are happy that half of the cost be retained by our individual parish(es) to go towards any maintenance that our churches need. Please phone or email Chris Davies to reserve a copy – Just 40 have been reserved for us.

A CALL FOR PILGRIMS +

Adoremus 2026, the National Eucharistic Congress, takes place in London on **Saturday 10 October 2026**. Adoremus is a national celebration of the Eucharist, bringing together Catholics from across England and Wales for prayer, worship, catechesis, and public witness. Our Diocese has been allocated **45 places**, and we are inviting priests & parishioners from across our pastoral areas and parishes to participate in this important event. For fairness, Clifton are limiting tickets for each parish - name, email and parish details are required for each attendee. Please submit your information to the parish office if you wish to attend and represent the churches in our cluster.

SEEKING WORK? + There are currently a number of Bristol-based job vacancies in the diocese. Finance Manager (f/t) and Trust Governance Clerk (p/t) Please visit the Clifton website for more information and application packs.

ST FRANCIS +

This year marks 800 years since the death of St Francis of Assisi and Pope Leo XIV has declared a special Year to commemorate this. **Saturday 3 October 2026** is exactly 800 years since St Francis died, and the day before his feast day. To mark this a walking pilgrimage is planned in the Diocese of Clifton with two legs:

- The Bristol leg will start at Clifton Cathedral at 10.30am (9 miles).
 - The Clevedon leg will start at the Franciscan church of the Immaculate Conception, Clevedon at 1pm (6.4 miles).
- The two legs will convene at around 4.30pm at the Church of St Francis of Assisi, Nailsea, for refreshments and prayer. Those who wish can stay for the 6.00pm Saturday evening Vigil Mass for the Feast of St Francis. For more details and to register please go to: <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/a-franciscan-pilgrimage-in-the-diocese-of-clifton>

FOODBANK REMINDER + Next collection Sunday 9th August. List of items required from the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support

ST JOHN VIANNEY + This important and inspirational saint is remembered this Tuesday is celebrated as the patron saint of parish priests. A French Catholic priest known as the "Curé d'Ars," He is famous for his legendary dedication to the sacrament of confession, often spending 16 to 18 hours a day listening to penitents.

THURSDAY - TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

READINGS AND RESPONSES ARE TO BE FOUND ON PAGE 173 IN THE PARISH MASS BOOK