



THREE SAINTS PARISHES

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

PARISH PRIEST FATHER JOBY LUKOSE

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR CHRISTINE DAVIES

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 8th August St Thomas More Vigil Mass 5.00pm
[Keating & Finnerty family members RIP]

Sunday 9th St Joseph's Mass 9.00am
[People of the Parish]

St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am
[John Parr RIP]

Monday 10th FEAST OF ST LAWRENCE
St Nicholas Rosary 10.00am

Tuesday 11th Memorial of St Clare
St Thomas More Adoration 5.30pm
Mass 6.00pm Thanksgiving Mass
[Paul Cooper RIP]

Wednesday 12th Weekday in Ordinary Time
St Joseph's Adoration 9.30am
Mass 10.00am *[People of the Parish]*

Thursday 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time
St Nicholas Adoration 9.30am
Mass 10.00am *[People of the Parish]*

Friday 14th Memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe
No Services

Saturday 15th Woodmancote Village Hall
Mass 3.00pm

St Thomas More Vigil Mass 5.00pm
[Patrick McHale RIP 2nd Anniversary]

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Sunday 16th St Joseph's Mass 9.00am
[Aziza Long RIP]

St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am
*[Mass intention Mark & Becki Harvey]
Silver Wedding Anniversary Blessing*

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Entrance Antiphon Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading [1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a]
'Stand on the mount before the Lord'

Responsorial Psalm
Show us, O Lord, your mercy and grant us your salvation

Second Reading [Romans 9: 1-5]
'I wish that I were accursed for the sake of my brothers and sisters'

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia. I long for you, O Lord, my soul longs for his word. Alleluia

Gospel [Matt 14: 22-33]
'Command me to come to you on the water'

Communion Antiphon
O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who give you your fill of finest wheat.

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 Chaplaincies to His Majesty's Forces

WELCOME CANON DAVID RYAN + This weekend Fr Joby will be covering a parish in the west country and we are pleased, as always, that Father David is with us for the three Sunday Masses across our joint parish.

EXTRA MASS NEXT WEEKEND +

Parishioners will note that we have the monthly Mass in Woodmancote Village Hall next Saturday afternoon at 3.00pm

200 CLUB + Winners for July Belinda Neuberger 1st (152) Renee Vorst 2nd (124) Trixie Hadley 3rd (220) congratulations to all.

FATHER TONY IN PRINT + There are still some copies available of **"The Word Speaks"** - a collection of sermons that Fr Tony has shared from 2001 to today. Cost £10.00 per copy, half of which will go towards the building works fund at St Thomas More parish. Please phone or email Chris Davies to order a copy

PARISH PICNIC + One of our parishioners is hoping to organise a cross-parish picnic on **the 12th September** in and around the Woodmancote Village Hall (12.15pm until 3.00pm) There is plenty of outdoor space where we can sit if the weather is good and where hopefully we can play some outdoor games. All are invited from our three churches and the simplest thing is that people bring a picnic basket and that we share items together – some may bring savouries, some may bake cakes. Usefully those sitting outside could bring fold-up chairs. If the weather is against us, we could certainly use the inside of the hall where all (young and old) could entertain themselves and each other with shared stories and laughter. Becki Harvey is trying to gather a picture of numbers attending and would appreciate people messaging her 07527 957851 /email thesixharveys@googlemail.com

ST FRANCIS + On Friday 2nd October a talk entitled **'In the Footsteps of Francis'**, led by Eddie Gilmore, will take place at St Francis. This session will focus on what the saint from Assisi can teach us today about how to live in harmony with the earth and with each other. Eddie Gilmore is a dedicated pilgrimage walker, writer, musician and he regularly contributes to BBC Radio 2's 'Pause for Thought'. Copies of Eddie's books will be on sale at the event. We start at 7pm (refreshments from 6.30pm). To register for the evening, please use the Eventbrite link: <https://footstepsoffrancis.eventbrite.co.uk> All welcome!

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 the diocese is 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 in Tewkesbury if you wish to attend and represent the churches in our cluster.

CLIFTON MISSION APPEAL + Father Samuel Alabi MSP will be coming to make an appeal for the **Missionary Society of St Paul** at St Thomas More, St Joseph's and St Nicholas' on **29th & 30th August 2026**

VOLUNTEERING FOR YOUTH MINISTRY +

Do you care about young people in the Church, particularly those age 11-18? Do you or have you thought about volunteering to work with the young people either in your Parish or further afield? For more information, please go to: <https://cliftondiocese.com/departments/evangelisation-and-discipleship/youth-ministry/> where you'll be able to register your interest and join a database of Youth Ministry volunteers so that we can keep in contact, share new initiatives and keep you informed about events in the Diocese: [Youth Ministry Volunteer Database – Fill in form](#)

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.

THURSDAY

Entrance Antiphon	Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.
Responsorial Psalm	Never forget the deeds of the Lord!
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees. Alleluia
Communion Antiphon	O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who give you your fill of finest wheat