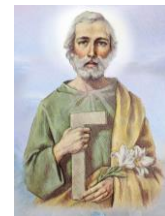




# ST THOMAS MORE CHELTENHAM

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

WITH SAINT JOSEPH'S, SAINT NICHOLAS' AND SAINT THOMAS MORE



### NINETEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

[Year C – Psalter 3]

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August**      **FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION**  
**Vigil Mass St Thomas More**  
*Confession 4.30pm Mass 5.00pm*  
*[Celebrating St John Mary Vianney and Priests everywhere]*

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>**                      **St Joseph's, Tewkesbury**  
**Mass 9.00am**  
*[Celebrating St John Mary Vianney and Priests everywhere]*

**St Nicholas', Winchcombe**  
**Mass 11.00am**  
*[Celebrating St John Mary Vianney and Priests everywhere]*

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**                      **Memorial of St Dominic**  
**St Nicholas' Rosary 7.00pm**

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>**                      **FEAST OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF**  
**THE CROSS**  
**St Thomas More Adoration 5.30pm**  
**Mass 6.00pm**  
*[Basil Caroline RIP]*

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>**              **FEAST OF ST LAWRENCE**  
**St Joseph's Adoration 9.30am**  
**Mass 10.00am**  
*[For the repose of the souls of Rhodes & Griffin Family members]*

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>**                  **Memorial of St Clare**  
**St Nicholas' Adoration 9.30am**  
**Mass 10.00am**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**                      **Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
**No Services**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>**                  **St Thomas More**  
*Confession 4.30pm*  
**Mass 5.00pm** *[People of the Parish]*

### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>**                      **St Joseph's** *Confession 8.30am*  
**Mass 9.00am**  
*[People of the Parish]*

**St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am**  
*[Bernard Johnson RIP]*

#### 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** *Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.*

**Gospel Acclamation** *Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children*  
**Alleluia!**

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

*Readings for this Mass are in the missal. Page 121*

#### First Reading [Wisdom 18: 6-9]

The people expected the virtuous to be saved and their enemies to be punished.

**Second Reading [Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19]** It was faith in God's promise that enabled Abraham to leave his home in search of a new city founded, designed and built by God.

**Gospel [Luke 12: 32-48]** Faithful servants are ready for the master's return



Diocesan Pray Link: Cirencester **Saint Peter**, Malmesbury  
**St Aldhelm**, Tetbury **Saint Michael**

#### CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 4.30pm – Saint Thomas More  
 Sunday 8.30am – Saint Joseph's  
 Sunday – Saint Nicholas' 12.00pm

Parish Office at Tewkesbury 01684 293273  
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If you need a priest in an emergency please contact  
[joby.lukose@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:joby.lukose@cliftondiocese.com)

### **CELEBRATING PRIESTHOOD +**

This weekend we celebrate in our parishes St John Vianney who died on 4 August 1859, at the age of 73. Pope John Paul II referred to him as a "*rare example of a pastor acutely aware of his responsibilities ... and a sign of courage for those who today experience the grace of being called to the priesthood.*" Today also we give thanks for all the priests who have served this parish and especially Fr Joby – asking God to bless the work he does and also pray for vocations to the priesthood to be increased - to build the faith and support the faithful. Refreshments will follow Mass this evening.

### **PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED +**

Please pray for Richard Driscoll, Edward McDonagh and Basil Caroline whose anniversaries occur around this time. We have had quite a number of Mass intention requests lately. Please accept apologies where the date on which your loved one is remembered this way does not exactly match the date requested.

**LAUDATO SI'CIRCLE +** The group meets 'face to face' on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August at 11am. Special guest: Dr Susan Porter. All welcome. Venue, 1 Glensanda Court, Montpellier Spa Rd, GL50 1UF – enter by gate from Montpellier Spa Rd by NE Corner of Montpellier Gardens: bring rug or garden chair. For further details, ring 01242 244182 or email [cheltenhamlaudatosicircle@gmail.com](mailto:cheltenhamlaudatosicircle@gmail.com).

### **R.C.I.A. 'JOURNEY IN FAITH'+**

The above course commences on **Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> September**, at Sacred Hearts after the evening Mass for anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith, with a view to becoming a member of a Catholic community. Each session will be from **6.45pm to 8pm**. Information about the course and course dates can be downloaded from <https://www.sacredhearts.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Deanery-RCIA-2022-23-PACK.pdf> Application Form must be completed and returned to Fr Mark Moran at Sacred Hearts in good time, please

### **RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE +**

In September/October 2022 the relics of St Bernadette will be visiting the UK. This will be a unique opportunity to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes. There is a reservation system accessible via [stbernadette.or.uk/the-tour/](http://stbernadette.or.uk/the-tour/) where you can book, free of charge. Please see the poster displayed on our parish noticeboard. Clifton dates 10<sup>th</sup>- 11<sup>th</sup> September and the Birmingham dates are 7<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> October.

### **RESPONSES FOR TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

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Responsorial Psalm *Your promise is sweet to my taste, O Lord.*

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children Alleluia!*

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

### **A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

O Jesus, eternal Priest, keep your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred heart, where none may touch them. Mary, Mother of Jesus, throw your mantle of purity over our priests. Protect them, guide them, and keep them in your heart. Be a Mother to them, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness, put Jesus always on their lips, so that He is the one they offer to all they meet. Mary, Mother of Jesus, take special care of sick and dying priests and remember how they spent their lives serving. Mary, bless them and keep a special place for them in your heart. Holy Mother, bless their labours with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven - their beautiful and everlasting crown.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen