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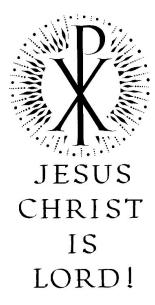
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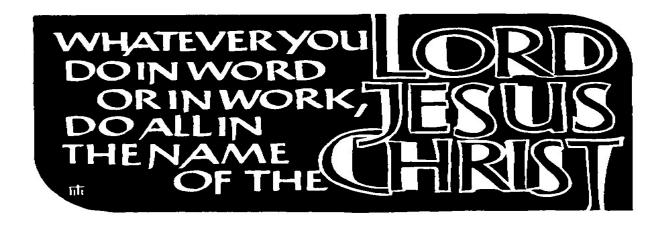
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23RD JUNE 2024 TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)



	Sunday 12 in Ordinary Time			
Sat 22nd Jun	-	5.30pm	Sunday Mass ()	Nympsfield
Sun 23 rd Jun		10.30am	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Dursley
Mon 24 th Jun	BIRTHDAY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, Solemnity	7.30pm	Mass	Dursley
Tue 25 th Jun	Feria of Week XII	9.30am	Mass ()	Dursley
Wed 26th Jun	Feria	9.00am	Mass ()	Dursley
Thu 27 th Jun	Feria	10.00am	Mass with the School ()	Nympsfield
Fri 28 th Jun	St Irenaeus of Lyons	10.30 6.00pm 7.00pm	Funeral of Pat Scriven Adoration & Confessions Pre Pilgrimage Mass in honour of O.L.W.	Gloucester Crem. Dursley Dursley
Sat 29th Jun	Our Lady on Saturday	Noon	Mass	Dursley
		2.00pm	FHC Mass	Dursley
HOLY APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL [Transferred]				
Sat 29th Jun		5.30pm	Sunday Mass ()	Nympsfield
Sun 30th Jun		10.30am	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Dursley



MASS PROPERS FOR ORDINARY SUNDAY XII (Year B)

Entrance Antiphon The Lord is the strength of His people, a saving refuge for the one He has anointed. Save Your people, Lord, and bless Your heritage, and govern them for ever.

<u>First Reading – Job 38:8-11</u> 'Here, your proud waves shall break,' says the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm O give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures for ever.

Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 The new creation in Christ is already here.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u> May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope His call holds for us.

Gospel Reading – Mark 4:35 - 41 Who is He, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?.

Communion Antiphon The eyes of all look to You, Lord, and You give them their food in due season.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The Recently Dead: PLEASE PRAY for those who have recently died – Pat Scriven

Diocesan Prayer Link: St Thomas More parish in Bradford on Avon **Churches Together:** Voters & Polling Station staff in the General Election

Parish Prayer Rota: First Holy Communion Candidates, their families and catechist.

THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR JUNE: FOR MIGRANTS FLEEING THEIR

HOMES We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY: Pope Francis has given us The Year of Prayer 2024 in preparation for the Holy Year of 2025. The series runs at St John the Evangelist, South Parade, Bath. The next session is 25 June, where Sister Walburga from Minster Abbey will teach us about the Prayer of St Benedict. Each session will take place in the Church and begin at 7.00pm. The series details are: Tuesday 25 June: The prayer of St Dominic (Sr Hyacinthe and the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph); Tuesday 23 July: Windows on the Divine – praying with icons (Tamara Penwell); Tuesday 24 September: The prayer of St Francis and St Clare (Friar Maximilian Martin, OFM Conv); Tuesday 29 October: The prayer of Carmel (Fr Michael McAndrew); Tuesday 26 November: The prayer of St Ignatius (Fr James Hanvey SJ). All are most welcome.

'MEET THE POLITICIANS' AND THE FORTHCOMING GENERAL ELECTION:

- 1. Catholic social teaching tells us that, because of our concern for the common good, the Church strongly urges us to exercise the right to vote and perform our civic duty.
- 2. Wednesday 26th June Hustings with the Parliamentary Candidates for our constituency 7.30pm, Dursley Tabernacle URC Chapel.

FORTHCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

- Taster Evenings for any parishioner interested in a pastoral ministry formation course. Tuesday 18th June at English Martyrs, Tuffley and Tuesday 16th July at St Peter's, Cirencester both @ 7.00pm
- Friday 28th June, your prayers are asked for the soul of Pat Scriven, whose funeral is @ 10.30am at Gloucester Crematorium. Friends and parishioners are invited to St Dominic's parish hall for refreshments with the family afterwards, from noon.
- Friday 28th June @ 7.00pm in St Dominic's, Pre UCM Pilgrimage Mass in honour of Our Lady of Walsingham.
- Saturday 29th June @ 2.00pm First Holy Communion Mass in St. Dominic's.
- Sat. 29th June/Sun. 30th June, Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, transferred holyday of obligation
- Saturday 6th July Diocesan Day on "Hope" with Bishop Bosco, at St Bernadette's School in Whitchurch.
- Saturday 13th July "The Big Dig" a morning tidying up our gardens and grounds at St Dominic's, like the Big Clean only out of doors. If you like gardening, let us indulge your passion.
- Sunday 14th July Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury
- Sunday 14th July @ 5.00pm Churches Together Summer United Service in St Bartholomew's Anglican church in Coaley.
- Thursday 8th August, Patronal Solemnity of St Dominic in Dursley 10.00am Mass in Nympsfield as usual, Noon Mass and Sung Mass at 7.30pm in Dursely
- Sunday 15th September at 9.00am, before the Sunday Mass, Parish Breakfast [No Café Dominic afterwards]
- Sunday 29th December Feast of the Holy Family, we proposed replacing the Café Dominic with Mulled Cider/Apple Juice and mince pies, to bring the family of the parish together. Please remember that heating the cider will drive off some of the alcohol. We do not wish to send Mass goers home tipsy.



NEW LECTIONARIES FROM ADVENT SUNDAY

<u>2024:</u> Most of us remember the introduction of our updated and improved Mass books in 2010. Some of us can even remember the introduction of small amounts of English into the Mass in 1965, and the introduction of a completely new English Mass Rite on Advent Sunday 1970. These new lectionaries are nothing as scary as that! In fact, the International Commission on English in the Liturgy originally proposed that the translation of the Readings should change at the same time as the translation of the Missal.

We know this didn't happen!! The difficulties of international copyright law

and the vast amounts of books involved slowed the process considerably. In the end, the RSV texts were not available to us and we will be receiving the ESV The English Standard Version. The four volumes will replace the 3-volume version we have at present. The bible references have not changed, only the translation.

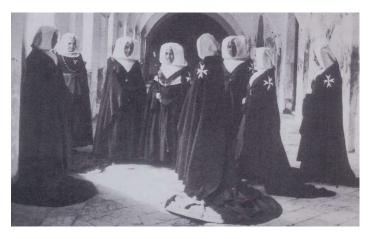
In addition, the version of the psalms will also be updated. Currently, we are using the Grail Psalter made in the 1960's by the Sisters of the Grail. Its inaccuracies and mistakes have long been known about. This has been





further complicated by the Sisters refusing to be generous in sharing their copyright. This revenue from this has been paying for the retirement care of elderly sisters for some time. The solution was the actual sale of the copyright to the American Bishops' Conference, who asked the OSB monks of Immaculate Conception Abbey, Missouri, to correct the texts and to pray and sing them before they were released to the world. The new Abbey Psalter comes into use with the ESV on Advent Sunday. This will naturally affect our singing of psalms at Sunday Mass, though musicians will help us with this!

Each of our two parishes and the Convent have to purchase these new books in time to start using them on Advent Sunday. If you would like to donate and inscribe one of these, please see the relevant Parish Treasurer.



FR. PHILIP WRITES Like Christ, his Cousin, and Our Blessed Lady, St John the Baptist has not only his death (The Beheading or Decollation on 29th August) but his birthday in our calendar. Christ Himself told us how special he is. His Nativity falls around mid-summer and is linked to lots of folk customs.

For us as Christians, the association is with healing and wholeness. It goes back to a pilgrim hospice/hospital in Jerusalem at the time of the Crusader Kingdoms. A body

noble knights undertook both to protect the caravans of pilgrims and to care for the sick and elderly. Fairly quickly, these knights began to take religious vows, like the Franciscan and Dominican friars at home. They became the **Sovereign Military Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem**,

Rhodes and Malta. They exist to this day. Their religious family has various degrees and is open to men and women. Sadly, the Spanish Civil War in the 1930's wiped out the knightly ladies. We await their refoundation. The SMOM moved from the Holy Land to Rhodes and then to Malta and finally to Rome, where it is based today. Twice in its history the British Isles have provided Grand Masters, and the current head is its first Canadian.

The Reformation brought great losses to the Order, but among some of our separated brethren, the desire to serve God, the poor and sick continued and there are 4 sister orders of St John. One of them is





British, being an

Anglican revival of the English Langue of old. This body created the St John's Ambulance Brigade. In this country, the SMOM and the Venerable Order of St John work very closely together. My grandfather, Wellington Thomas, was a Serving Brother. Most visible in this country is the Orders of St John Care Trust, owning and running care homes around the country. When I was PP of Marlborough, they opened a new one and the then Grand Master came to open it, His most eminent highness the Prince and Grand Master Fra Andrew Bertie. His cause for canonisation is now open.