

**ST DOMINIC'S, DURSLEY
&
ST JOSEPH'S, NYMPSFIELD**

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**30TH JUNE 2024
HOLY APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL (YEAR B)**



HOLY APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL [Transferred]

Sat 29 th Jun		5.30pm	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Nympsfield
Sun 30 th Jun		10.30am	Sunday Mass (Mary Bucci RIP)	Dursley
Mon 1 st Jul	DEDICATION OF CLIFTON CATHEDRAL, Feast		No Public Mass, Fr. P's Day Off	
Tue 2 nd Jul	Feria of Week XIII	9.30am	Mass ()	Dursley
Wed 3 rd Jul	ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, Feast	9.00am	Mass (Julie Hackett RIP)	Dursley
Thu 4 th Jul	St Isabel of Portugal – Election Day	10.00am	Mass with the School ()	Nympsfield
Fri 5 th Jul	Feria	6.00pm	Adoration & Confessions	Dursley
		7.00pm	Mass	Dursley
Sat 6 th Jul	St Maria Goretti	Noon	Mass	Dursley
	Sunday 14 in Ordinary Time			
Sat 6 th Jul		5.30pm	Sunday Mass ()	Nympsfield
Sun 7 th Jul		10.30am	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Dursley

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.



St. Paul

MASS PROPERS FOR THE VIGIL OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL IN NYMPFIELD (Year B)

Entrance Antiphon Peter the Apostle and Paul the Teacher of the Gentiles, these have taught us Your law, O Lord.

First Reading – Acts 3:1-10 *Peter and John healing at the Beautiful Gate.*

Responsorial Psalm Their word goes forth through all the earth.

Second Reading – Galatians 1:11-20 *Paul tells of his vocation.*

Gospel Acclamation Lord, You know everything; You know I love You.

Gospel Reading – John 20:15-19 *The Risen Lord commission's Peter to feed His sheep*

Communion Antiphon Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these? Lord, You know everything; You know I love You.

MASS PROPERS FOR THE DAY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL IN DURSLEY (Year B)

Entrance Antiphon These are the ones, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became His friends.

First Reading – Acts 12:1-11 *Peter is delivered from prison by an angel.*

Responsorial Psalm From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

Second Reading – Timothy 4:6-8 & 17-18 *Paul speaks of his impending death and the crown of righteousness reserved for him.*

Gospel Acclamation You are Peter and, on this rock, I will build My Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 16:13-19 *You are Peter and I will give you the keys of the Kingdom.*

Communion Antiphon Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God. And Jesus replied: You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church.



St. Peter

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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

Diocesan Prayer Link: Bridgewater and Burnham

Churches Together: Voters & Polling Station staff in the General Election

Parish Prayer Rota: Our musicians and singers.

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.** Each session will take place in the Church and begin at 7.00pm. The next session is 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.**

DURSLEY PARISH BBQ on **Saturday 10th August 2024** at 1pm in the hall or hopefully outside the hall on the grass. Tickets on sale from this weekend adults - £10 each, children - £5 each. All proceeds to the Hall Fund. Any questions see Laura or Pat. **OPEN TO BOTH PARISHES**



ST WULSTAN PASTORAL AREA - MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK This will take place at **St Patrick's, Brockworth GL4 3HL, at Noon on Saturday 27th July**. It will be followed by lunch. In order to help with catering and the care of the sick and elderly, you are asked to complete the sign-up form at the back of each church, by Sunday 20th July. This is the first such Deanery Mass for the new Deanery of St Wulfstan. Your prayers are asked. It is great opportunity to get together and meet new people, as well as supporting our sick in prayer.

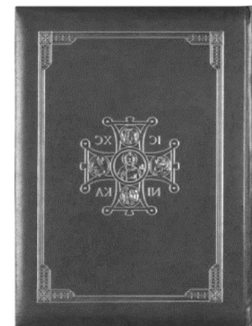
THERE WILL BE NO MIDDAY MASS IN DURSLEY THAT DAY

FORTHCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

- Saturday 29th June @ 2.00pm First Holy Communion Mass in St. Dominic's.
- 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 (10.00am till noon) 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.**
- Taster Evening for any parishioner interested in a pastoral ministry formation course. Tuesday 16th July at St Peter's, Cirencester @ 7.00pm
- **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 Dursley. Saturday 10th August Dursley Parish BBQ, see above for details**
- 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 propose 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.

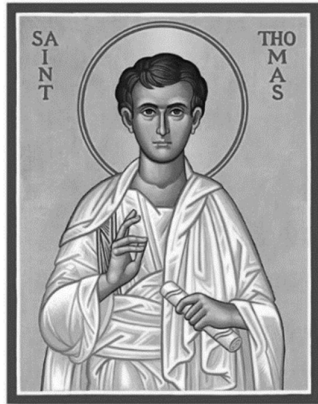
NEW LECTIONARIES FROM ADVENT SUNDAY 2024:

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. The 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. ***You might like to look online to see the people's hand missals which are coming out over the summer.***



FR. PHILIP WRITES St Thomas the Apostle comes in for a lot of stick and many think he is famous for his doubting, but if that were the case, we would not praise him or thank God for him. Thomas' splendid faith in the Risen Lord is without parallel; "My Lord and My God"! Thomas represents many Christians, whose journey to faith is bumpy and difficult. Having missed the Easter Sunday appearance of the Risen Lord, he is scared to accept that he was wrong in thinking Jesus was dead and buried and that was the end of it. The risk of faith fills him with fear and he does not want to get hurt again. He does not say that he does not or cannot believe, but that he refuses to believe. Intellectual arguments were not what it was all about. It will take an act of the will, and seeing his Risen

Lord in the flesh is all it takes to burst the dam of refusal. His personal relationship with Jesus is more important than fear.

There are many like St Thomas, unwilling, not unable, to accept the Christian Faith. Our personal commitment to Christ may be the battering ram that breaks the dam. They see Christ alive in and through us. From the boldness of our faith, they can take the courage to entrust their will and their life to the care of God in Christ. The risk of faith is worth taking, when you see it working in other people. Others catch faith from us. It was caught by St Alban in Verulamium all those centuries ago. It is caught from missionaries.

Faith transforms lives. St Thomas was willing to travel overland out of the Roman Empire, through Persia, to India, where he died a martyr for the faith. Men and women with wayward youths are transformed into religious founders and saints - St Norbert of Xanten was one such and he founded the Canons Regular of Premontr . St Mary of Egypt went from prostitute to Desert Mother and model of conversion. Faith transforms. All-praised Apostle Thomas, pray for us.

A POEM FOR ST PETER BY W. WALSHAM HOWE

1 "Thou art the Christ, O Lord,
The Son of God, most high!"
Forever be adored,
That Name in earth and sky.
In which, tho' mortal strength may fail,
The saints of God at last prevail!

2 Oh, surely he was blest,
With blessedness unpriced,
Who taught of God, confessed
The Godhead in the Christ!
For of Thy Church, Lord, Thou didst own
Thy saint a true foundation-stone.

3 Thrice fallen, thrice restored!
The bitter lesson learnt,
That heart for Thee, O Lord,
With triple ardour burnt.
The cross he took he laid not down
Until he grasped the martyr's crown.

4 Oh bright triumphant faith!
Oh courage void of fears!
Oh love, most strong in death!
Oh penitential tears!
By these, Lord, keep us lest we fall,
And make us go where Thou shalt call.