

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

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**7TH JULY 2024
SUNDAY 14 IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)**



Sunday 14 in Ordinary Time

Sat 6 th Jul		5.30pm	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Nympsfeld
Sun 7 th Jul		10.30am	Sunday Mass ()	Dursley
Mon 8 th Jul	Feria of Week XIV		No Public Mass, Fr. P's Day Off	
Tue 9 th Jul	Feria	9.30am	Mass ()	Dursley
Wed 10 th Jul	Feria	9.00am	Mass ()	Dursley
Thu 11 th Jul	ST BENEDICT OF NURSIA, Feast & co-patron of Europe	10.00am	Mass with the School ()	Nympsfeld
Fri 12 th Jul	(Fr. P's 28 th anniversary of priestly ordination)	6.00pm	Adoration & Confessions	Dursley
		7.00pm	Mass	Dursley
Sat 13 th Jul	St Henry the Emperor – The Big Dig	Noon	Mass	Dursley
		3.00-4.00	Confessions	Dursley

Sunday 15 in Ordinary Time – Sea Sunday

Sat 13 th Jul		5.30pm	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Nympsfeld
Sun 14 th Jul			Sunday Mass (France)	Dursley
		10.30am		
Mon 15 th Jul	St Bonaventure	7.00pm	Mass for Deacon Dominic's 18 th anniversary of ordination	Dursley

***SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR THE APOSTLESHIP OF
THE SEA – STELLA MARIS***

MASS PROPERS FOR SUNDAY XIV (Year B)

Entrance Antiphon Your wonderful love, O God, we have received in the midst of Your temple. Your praise, O God, like Your Name, reaches the ends of the earth; Your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First Reading – Ezekiel 2:2-4 *God tells the prophet that Israel is defiant and obstinate, rebellious, refusing to accept what he says.*

Responsorial Psalm **Our eyes are on the Lord till He show us His mercy.**

Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 *Because of his weaknesses, Paul boasts of the power of Christ conquering hardships and persecution.*

Gospel Acclamation **The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept Him He gave power to become children of God.**

Gospel Reading – Mark 6:1-6 *A prophet is despised only in his own country.*

Communion Antiphon Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in Him.



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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

Diocesan Prayer Link: Bridgewater and Burnham

Churches Together: St. Bart's in Cam, building links to local groups and the work at GL11

Parish Prayer Rota: Our musicians and singers.

National News: The newly elected House of Commons

THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR JULY: FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



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 Wul[f]stan. 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 6th July – Diocesan Day on “Hope” with Bishop Bosco, at St Bernadette’s School in Whitchurch.
- Friday 12th July and Monday 15th July – Anniversaries of Ordination for Fr. Philip as a priest and Deacon Dominic as a Deacon. There will be the usual Friday Mass and an additional Mass on the Monday
- Saturday 13th July “The Big Dig” – a morning (from 9.30am) tidying up our gardens and grounds at St Dominic’s, like the Big Clean only out of doors. Refreshments will be provided, but please bring your own implements. 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.
- Saturday 14th September – Holy Matrimony at St Joseph’s, Nympsfield for Alexandra Holden and Richard Payne
- 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.

DURSLEY PPC MEETING on Tuesday 9th July. If you have something of pastoral concern you would like discussed or raised at the Parish Pastoral Council, please mention it to the Clergy or members of the Council [Rogues’ Gallery at the back in the porch]

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. Benedict

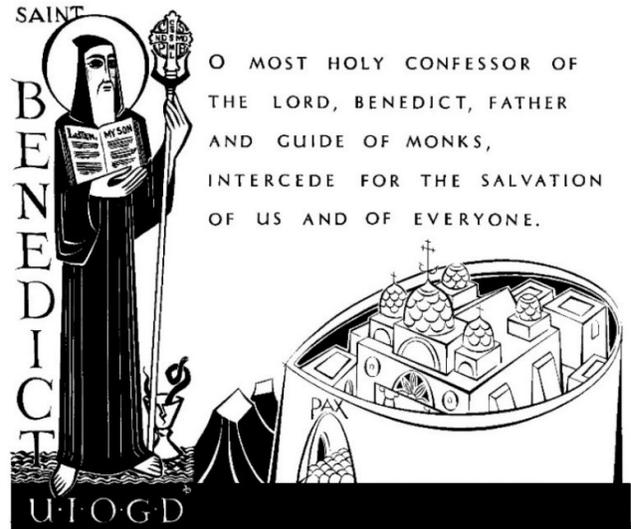
ST BENEDICT OF NURSIA, FATHER OF WESTERN MONASTICISM

On the 21st March 547, St Benedict died at Monte Cassino on the Italian Peninsula. Because this is often in Late Lent – Passiontide, the General Calendar of the Roman Rite keeps him on the 11th of July as the anniversary of the translation of his relics at Fleury in France in the 8th century.

He did not start the monastic explosion, for that honour goes to Egypt and to St Anthony thereof. His genius was born out of prayer and experience. He took from the writings of St John Cassian and a document called the Rule of the Master and fused all this into the Holy Rule of St Benedict. It is followed by men and women around the world and their contribution to Christianity is immense.

The Rule taught its followers to read and study besides spending time in church at the Office and Mass. Their preservation of classical Greek and Latin learning was vital for civilisation itself. In addition to prayer and mission, their monasteries were centres of medicine, education, agriculture, horticulture, hospitality.

The Rule said that there should be physical work as well as spiritual and mental work. They ran monastic farms and herb gardens. The farming fed Europe and the herbs formed part of medicine, nursing care and hospice work. They valued balance and avoiding extremes in religious life. Gregor Mendel the father of modern genetics was a Benedictine, as was Dom Perignon of Champagne fame. Much literature and art has emerged from the sons and daughters of St Benedict. They brew and distil, as well as growing grapes. The Holy Rule is also followed by the Cistercian Order, and they too are great brewers, especially in Belgium.



O MOST HOLY CONFESSOR OF THE LORD, BENEDICT, FATHER AND GUIDE OF MONKS, INTERCEDE FOR THE SALVATION OF US AND OF EVERYONE.

Benedictine and Cistercian monasteries figure in the spiritual lives of many Christians, friends, oblates and visitors. Many famous people have owed much to St Benedict and his balanced and wise way of living. Downside, Prinknash and the sisters at Brownhill all testify to this in our own diocese and those who live around these monasteries or who work at them owe them a great deal.

In England, Benedictines took over the running of several medieval cathedrals, because of their involvement with the mission to England sent by St Gregory. As a result, one ecumenical aspect of St Benedict's legacy has been his influence on the Daily Office of the Church of England, beginning with the Book of Common Prayer in 1549. There are several Anglican Benedictine Monasteries and these days they are listed in the Benedictine Yearbook as being part of the family.

The CSMV sisters from Wantage, who became Catholic together, have adopted the Benedictine Rule, Habit and Office and now live in Birmingham. New monasteries spring up around the world. It would seem the Holy Spirit inspired and filled the work of St Benedict, and the Spirit continues to give life and growth through the example and rule of St Benedict.



FR. PHILIP WRITES Shortly, our schools, both secondary and primary, will break up for the Summer Holiday. Colleges and Universities have already done so. Our roads will experience congestion and opportunities for patience. Families will experience joy in having all members together at home, and yet, as we learnt during the Covid Lockdown, there can be stresses and strains at being together for extended periods.

The words HOLIDAY and HOLY DAY have the same root. The approach of summer holidays is therefore an opportunity for spiritual refreshment and development as well as rest and recuperation. Day pilgrimages, visits to historic churches, short retreats can fit into the timetable of going to see Aunty, the Grandparents and the swimming pool or seaside. No matter what British weather throws at us (or elsewhere on your travels), I wish you a happy and profitable holiday time.

***JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF THE SAVIOUR
(Last month was for the Sacred Heart, not Gay pride)***