



ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY

COMBE, DUNS TEW, ENSTONE, GAGINGWELL, GLYMPTON, MIDDLE BARTON,
RADFORD, RAMSDEN, STEEPLE ASTON and STONESFIELD

SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER 2020
Sunday Readings: Year A

29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
Divine Office week I

Weekday Mass this week is on 9.30 Mon, Tue, Thur and Fri, 7pm on Wednesday.

Adoration on Wednesday and Friday after Mass

Please book in for Sunday Mass at St.Teresa's (see bulletin for details)

NEXT WEEK

Monday 19 October
Weekday of Ordinary time
Mass at 9.30am

Tuesday 20 October
Weekday of Ordinary time
Mass at 9.30am

Wednesday 21 October
Weekday of Ordinary time
Mass at 7pm

Adoration
Thursday 22 October
St John Paul II, Pope

Mass at 9.30am

Friday 23 October
St John of Capestrano
Mass at 9.30am

Adoration
Saturday 24 October
St Anthony Mary Claret

No Mass today

Sunday 25 October
30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

9.15 St Teresa's

For Confession at St.Teresa's, please contact Fr.Clive

Please pray for the sick and the housebound of the parish: Paula Biggs

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

With the recent imposition of different degrees of lockdown taking place at the moment, the situation continues to be very confusing for many and indeed a possible cause of increased anxiety for some. One way we can help is to be clear of what the regulations are for our own areas and gently help to enlighten those who need greater clarity.

In today's Gospel we hear the striking words of Jesus: 'Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God'. It is a reminder that we are all part of the same basic human society

and by that very fact each of us individually has an obligation to support and sustain the common good. How much the present situation makes us aware of this. Once again, as Christians we acknowledge the existence of a providential God and that He is able to work his loving concern even through individuals who do not formally know him. The prophet Isaiah writes of this in reference to Cyrus, the King of Persia, who exercises a favourable judgment in regard to the Jewish old testament people. To have faith in such a God, who often works in mysterious ways, is a firm foundation in the heart of our lives. How much more so is this with those who are blest with a faith that acknowledges Jesus as Emmanuel, 'God with us'. St. Paul in his first Letter to the new Christian community at Thessalonika, gives them great encouragement as he writes: 'We know that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction'.

Let us pray for the grace to be firm in that same conviction and with faith, to live lives of goodness and hope for others.

Father Tony

Today we keep **World Mission Sunday**. We are invited to join in sharing God's love with those near and far. World Mission Sunday is celebrated in every Catholic community in the world. It is a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. There is a special Collection for this cause today.

A simple **Mission Prayer** has been offered to us:

Here I am, Lord, send me to share your love with all people. May I be empowered and carried by you to be courageous and enthusiastic in bearing faithful witness to the merciful Father, to the love of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to the divine life in the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

'**Fratelli tutti**'. Bishop Paul McMahon is the lead Catholic Bishop of our National Conference for Migrants and Refugees. He has called on people in the UK to take up Pope Francis' call in His recent Encyclical to oppose racism in all its forms. More information from the Conference website.

Masses during the week at St Teresa's will be every day Monday-Friday as in the side bar. Sunday Mass is at 9.15am with a booking system due to limited numbers. This week is already fully booked, but if you wish to come to the Sunday Mass at St Teresa's next week, please email CharlburyMass@gmail.com or phone Alison on 07754 739169.

SAFEGUARDING: If you ever have any concerns regarding safeguarding please contact our Safeguarding Rep Sharnalee Foster on 01608 678731.