



ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY

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

SUNDAY 11 JULY 2021
Sunday Readings: Year B

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
Divine Office Week III

Please pray for the sick and the housebound of the parish: Paula Biggs, George Huxley, Johanna

To book a place on Sunday,
please email:
CharlburyMass@gmail.com

No need to book for
weekday Masses – just turn
up – All welcome at all
Masses

NEXT WEEK

Monday 12 July

Weekday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30am

Tuesday 13 July

St Henry

Mass 9.30am

Wednesday 14 July

St Camillus de Lellis

Mass 9.30am

Thursday 15 July

St Bonaventure

Mass 9.30am

Friday 16 July

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Mass 9.30am

Followed by Exposition

Saturday 17 July

Weekday of Ordinary Time

No Mass today

Sunday 18 July

16th Sunday or Ordinary
Time

Parish Mass 9.15am

Please Book

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

SAFEGUARDING: If you ever
have any concerns regarding
safeguarding please contact
our Safeguarding Rep
Sharnalee Foster on 01608
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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

With the increasing numbers in the population receiving their Covid vaccinations, the prospects do seem to be getting better for the return to some kind of normality. However, we do know they we must continue to be careful and responsible not just for our personal safety but for all those around us as well. Let us continue to pray with hope and trust and gentle patience.

In the Sunday readings for today the theme of being sent on a mission come very much to the fore. Amos in the first reading acknowledges that his call be a prophet was not his own choice but God's. Originally living as shepherd and guardian of sycamore trees, he cannot but respond to the call, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel'. It is a reading obviously chosen to reflect the direct commission given by Jesus to the his chosen twelve apostles. Whatever they had been doing before was to be set aside because they were now the Lord's missionaries sent out to prepare the way for the proclamation of the Gospel. St. Paul, chosen later by a direct call from Jesus, would in turn be the missionary 'Apostle of the Gentles'. In the extract today from the start of his letter to the Ephesians he seems to break into a great hymn of praise and acclamation. He blesses and thanks the Father for the eternal plan of loving redemption which has been brought about through Jesus the Son. And in this divine plan Paul also stresses that, in a unique way, all the followers of Jesus have been specifically chosen. It is a deep faith understanding of what our baptismal grace embraces.

St. John Henry Newman wrote that every human being has a personal and unique task to fulfil in their lives and no other person can do it for them. Let us pray with humble trust and confidence that we will live out our personal mission.

Father Tony

Today we celebrate **Sea Sunday**. We are invited to pray for and give financial help to the work of '**Stella Maris**' (Apostleship of the Sea). As the official Catholic charity supporting seafarers, fishers and their families worldwide, there is a desire and hope that people will want to know more about this important work. Their website is located at www.stellamaris.org.uk and there are some gift aid envelopes available for those who want one. We are having a **Second Collection** after Mass today for the charity.

World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. This new initiative will be observed on the 25th July this year. On the Bishops' Conference website there is input on this from Bishop David Oakley and a YouTube message from Cardinal Nichols. Visit www.cbcew.org.uk/home/news

Wednesday Holy Hour: Please note there will be NO holy hour in St. Teresa's this coming Wednesday.

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