



ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY

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

SUNDAY 31 OCTOBER 2021
Sunday Readings: Year B

ALL SAINTS DAY
Divine Office Week III

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

All welcome at all Masses

Tea and coffee is served after Sunday Mass in the church garden (weather permitting) – all welcome.

NEXT WEEK

Monday 1 November
Weekday of Ordinary Time
MASS 9.30am
Tuesday 2 November
All Souls
MASS 9.30am
MASS 7.00pm
Wednesday 3 November
Weekday of Ordinary Time
MASS 9.30am
HOLY HOUR 6pm
Thursday 4 November
St Charles Borromeo,
Bishop
MASS 9.30am
Friday 5 November
Weekday of Ordinary Time
MASS 9.30am
Followed by Exposition
Saturday 6 November
Weekday of Ordinary Time
No Mass today
Sunday 7 November
34th Sunday
Parish Mass 9.15am
ALL WELCOME

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 678731 sg.stteresaoflisieux.charlbury@rcaob.org.uk

Solemnity of All Saints

Dear Parishioners,

When the Feast of **All Saints** falls on a Saturday or Monday it is celebrated on the Sunday next to that day. That is the case this year and we are invited to honour and seek the intercession of all those who have been officially declared as saints through Canonisation. It is important to remember the countless number of unknown saints who are also now in heaven. In this way the Church reminds us that sanctity and holiness is within everyone's reach. Sometimes we may think that the saints lived lives of goodness well beyond our reach. That would be a mistake which so easily could hinder our efforts at trying to grow in holiness. All the good and realistic lives of the saints that have come down to us tell us how really human they were with their personal traits and characteristics. What did help them was the desire they fostered through faith and grace to accept the invitation expressed by Jesus when he made the challenge: 'Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect'. Let us always find some hope and comfort in the further example of Jesus in his humanity seeking the strength and grace he needed to do his Father's will.

Over a very long tradition now November has also been called the month of the **Holy Souls**. In love, faith, and hope, we commend the departed to the loving mercy of our heavenly Father they that

may be graced and be granted a place among the saints of God. It is a prayer tradition that goes back to Old Testament times: 'It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins'. May all our departed loved ones rest in peace. Father Tony

Morning and Evening Masses on Tuesday, All Souls Day, St. Teresa's: 9.30am & 7.00pm. There are envelopes at the back of church if parishioners wish to have a Mass offered for their departed relatives or friends.

COP26 Climate Summit. The message of Pope Francis for the gathering of COP26 has been graciously received by so many. Let us continue to pray for him and the strong moral and religious conviction that he offers to our world. His message, which was broadcast on the BBC 'Thought for the Day', can be heard again on the Bishops' Conference website: www.cbcew.org.uk

November Mass for the Pandemic. Next Sunday, 7th November, parishes in the diocese have been asked to hold a Mass for those who have died during the pandemic and for all healthcare and frontline workers who have supported our local communities during the last eighteen months.

Why has Pope Francis asked for a Synod and how can I get involved? All are invited to two evening ZOOM meetings to discover why the Holy Father has asked for the Synodal Pathway: Monday, 8th November, at 7.30pm with Father Jan Nowotnik and Monday, 15th November, at 7.30pm with Mary McCaughey. Email: synodalpathway@rcaob.org.uk

The Universe Catholic Weekly has launched a new on line newspaper with Cardinal Vincent Nichols being the first subscriber. Details are available at www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk or call them on **07436617650**

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