



ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY



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

SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2024
Sunday Readings: Year B

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Please pray for the sick and the housebound of our parishes: Paula B, Lynette M, Carol W, Tom C, Bridget K, Audrey N, Richard O, Mary W, Betty, Ania.

NEXT WEEK in

St Teresa's:

Monday 4 March

Weekday in Lent

Open for private prayer

Tuesday 5 March

Weekday in Lent

Open for private prayer

Wednesday 6 March

Weekday in Lent

Mass at 9.15am

Followed by

Stations of the Cross

Thursday 7 March

Ss Perpetua and Felicity,
martyrs

Open for private prayer

Friday 8 March

Weekday in Lent

Mass at 9.15am

Saturday 9 March

Weekday in Lent

Sunday 10 March

4th Sunday of Lent

Mass at 9.15am

ALL WELCOME

*For Confessions, please
contact Fr.Clive.*

*Weekday Mass in our
sister parish, Holy Trinity,
Chipping Norton, on
Monday, Tuesday, and
Thursday, all at 9.15am,
with Rosary group at
9.15am on Friday, vigil
mass at 6pm Sat and
Sunday mass at 11am*

Dear Parishioners

Last week we journeyed with the Lord up Mount Tabor for the Transfiguration. There His Divinity was revealed to his closest disciples Peter, James and John, to fortify them in the dark days coming up in the Passion. Christ will be rejected, scourged, beaten and humiliated as a common criminal executed in the most brutal Roman fashion, on a Cross.

At that Transfiguration, the Old Covenant figures of Moses and Elijah...the Law and the Prophets...appeared alongside Jesus, they now relegated to minor roles in the unfolding of the New Covenant.

What then of the Temple, that glorious place of sacrifice, the epicentre of Jewish life, the Holy of Holies? Travelling with the thousands of pilgrims to Jerusalem for the great Feast of Passover, Jesus fulfils the requirements of the Law, eats the Passover Seder meal with his Apostles, and then on the next day, He ascends the throne of the Cross as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. The Temple veil is ripped in two. The debt is paid. Man is reconciled at last with His God, the created and the Creator at peace with each other after the disastrous fall from Grace in the garden of Eden. Christ, the second Adam, restores the eternal relationship through His self-offering at Calvary. Mary, the second Eve, gathers His body to herself as the Lord of Life descends to the very pit of our existence. The prophecy of the old man Simeon, when Mary brought the baby Jesus into the Temple, is fulfilled: A sword shall pierce your heart.

As we travel through Lent, let us try to fix our gaze on that Lamb of God, the Suffering Servant of the Prophet Isaiah. In some quiet moments, we can reflect on the great work done for our salvation, by the Lord Jesus, and let us thank our Father for this Sacrifice.

Next week: Masses as usual.

Friday 8th March: a day of prayer for peace in the Holy Land. Please find some time to pray or better, join the Rosary group for Peace at 9.15 am in Holy Trinity.

Today there is a Second Collection for Cathedral maintenance.

Holy Week times will be posted soon.

God bless everyone,
Fr Clive.

Second Collection: CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE

St Teresa's Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

There will be a meeting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 5th March in St Teresa's Church.

The agenda has been circulated on the email group. The meeting is open to all parishioners.

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Easter Parish Magazine

A reminder that we hope to have another edition of St Teresa's parish magazine by Easter – if you have any contributions – news, reflections, pictures, poems or prayers you have written, anecdotes, memories, puzzles or anything else you would like to share with the parish, please could you email them to alison@wychwoodtigger.com or leave at the back of the church in a clearly labelled envelope by the 17th March.

TALK AT BANBURY - TODAY

An excellent opportunity to hear the American Catholic Evangelist **Jimmy Mitchell** give a talk on the evening of Sunday 3rd March at 6.30pm at St Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Edmunds Rd, Banbury OX16 0PP

All welcome to attend.

As an international speaker, Jimmy has led thousands of people to have a deeper relationship with Christ. **"Draw close to God and He will draw near to you."** James 4:8

Wherever you are in your faith journey, this is a talk not to be missed! Young people especially welcome as Jimmy has spent a lot of his missionary work in Youth Evangelisation.

It promises to be an inspirational evening!

Coffee after Mass during the Winter Months

In the wet and cold winter months, we are unable to have coffee after Mass on the patio outside church as we do in the warmer months, so a table has been booked at the Brazilian restaurant in Market Street for after-Mass coffee.

CTC Lent lunches and Lent talks

CTC's annual lent lunches (soup, bread, cheese) are from noon-1.30 on Fridays from 16th Feb to the 15th March. The remaining dates and venues are: 8th March, Baptist Church; 15th March, St Mary's. The series of Lent talks are in the Friend's Meeting House at 7.30pm on Monday evenings from 26th Feb until 18th March. This week (4th March) Angela Gwatkin and Brigid Avison will talk and answer questions about their experience of taking part in non-violent direct action intended to focus attention on the climate crisis; they will be discussing the pros and cons of direct action rather than promoting any particular organisation or way of protesting. There is no charge but donations are gratefully accepted.

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