



# ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY

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

SUNDAY 12 MAY 2024  
Sunday Readings: Year B

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.

Dear Parishioners

**NEXT WEEK in  
St Teresa's:**

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Monday 13 May  
Weekday in Easter  
*Open for private prayer*  
Tuesday 14 May

St Matthias, apostle  
*Open for private prayer*

**Wednesday 15 May  
Weekday in Easter**

**Mass at 9.15am  
Followed by  
Benediction and  
Exposition**

Thursday 16 May  
Weekday in Easter  
*Open for private prayer*

**Friday 17 May  
Weekday in Easter**

**Mass at 9.15am**  
Saturday 18 May  
Weekday in Easter  
*Open for private prayer*

**Sunday 19 May  
Pentecost  
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*

This last week we celebrated two joyful days in our parishes. On Wednesday evening in Holy Trinity, 12 young people, 5 from Holy Trinity school and 7 from Holy Trinity parish, were confirmed by Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, the Episcopal Vicar for our area. Canon Paul is the parish priest of Sacred Heart, Henley in addition to his role as the "stand-in" for our area Bishop who retired some years ago and whose replacement will be consecrated this Summer. Many thanks to Mary Prior for helping with the Catechism and a big well done to Natalie Medler at school for all she does. Then the next day we celebrated The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, in the morning with the school at Holy Trinity and the evening at St Teresa's. And the sun shone on us both days! What glory.

The Ascension is one of the great ecumenical feasts, marked by all Christian churches and communities. It is still held on a Thursday in this country but others have moved it to the Seventh Sunday. Either day, it marks the completion of Jesus' earthly ministry as He returns in triumph to His Father in heaven. Ascension is also the "starting gun" for the coming of The Holy Spirit at Pentecost, 50 days after the Resurrection of Christ at Easter. The assumption of Jesus' humanity into the Godhead holds out to us that our future lies not in death and decay but in the cleansing brightness of God. What a hope and an encouragement that we will not be abandoned at the end of our days.

This Sunday's Gospel continues in the Farewell Discourse that forms part of the "Book of Glory" in St John's Gospel. Jesus is preparing His disciples for life without His physical presence...but He will return in The Holy Spirit to comfort, counsel and console.

Next week:

Baptism at Holy Trinity on Saturday 18th 10.30 am.

Pentecost and the end of Eastertide on Sunday 19th.

Masses as usual in both parishes.

God bless everyone...and let's hope we are in for good Summer weather!

Fr Clive

**St Teresa's Pastoral Council Meeting:** The next meeting is THIS TUESDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the church. All are welcome to attend.

**Tea and Coffee after Mass:** We are starting tea and coffee outside on the patio after Mass this week. If anyone would like to join the rota to help keep this going during the summer, please speak to Sharnalee or Alison.

**Second Collection this week:**

There will be a second collection after Mass this weekend for World Communications Day. You can find out more about it, and contribute if you don't bring cash to Mass, at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/donate-world-communications-day/>

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is

Sharnalee Foster. She can be contacted at [sg.stteresa.charlbury@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stteresa.charlbury@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

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