



# ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY



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

SUNDAY 23 JUNE 2024  
Sunday Readings: Year B

12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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

Today's Gospel is one of the most striking of all episodes in the life of Jesus and His disciples: the Stilling of the Storm. Jesus sets out with his friends in a boat to cross the Sea of Galilee. This is a notoriously unpredictable stretch of water, an inland lake measuring 12 miles by 7 miles, relatively shallow at 200 feet in the deepest, but prone to sudden and violent storms. These are the result of cold winds sweeping down through the wadis and the steep hills surrounding the water and hitting the relatively warm surface. A calm evening can descend quickly into a cauldron-storm.

Things look bad as a major "weather-event" erupts and waves start to sink the boat. Jesus is still asleep in the stern, exhausted from His healing and preaching work. "Master, do you not care?" He wakes, silences the wind and the sea, and the disciples are struck with awe asking among themselves..." Who then is this? Even the wind and waves obey Him."

In their hearts, the disciples know who this is. To the Jews, only one force could control the unruly elements of Nature, only one Person was able to bring order to the chaos of existence: Yahweh, The Lord God Almighty. They had just seen Him for themselves. The sea, the archetypal uncontrolled force of the universe, could only be tamed and brought to heel by the Divine.

"Who then is this?"

That is a question for us all. In the storms of our lives only one Person is able to bring calm and order: Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, Saviour of mankind. In the good times we let Him sleep but as we begin to go down we look to Him. He could ask us as He asked the disciples:

"Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" Instead He says:

"This is my Body. This is my Blood"

Freely given, freely offered. In every Mass we see and we adore. As we sing at the end of Benediction:

"O Sacrament most holy O Sacrament Divine

All praise and all thanksgiving

For evermore be Thine."

Masses and Rosary as usual this week apart from Tuesday when Fr Tony and I have to attend an all-day Safeguarding course in Immaculate Conception, Bicester.

A reminder that again at Bicester, the Archbishop will be closing his Deanery Visitation this next Thursday at 7 pm. All welcome.

God bless everyone

Fr Clive.

**ACN COLLECTION (9<sup>th</sup> June):** Thank you for your generosity: we collected £167 for ACN and the St Therese seminary in Haiti. Those young seminarians will be most grateful.

(continued overleaf)

## NEXT WEEK in

### St Teresa's:

Monday 24 June

The Nativity of John the Baptist

Open for private prayer

Tuesday 25 June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Open for private prayer

Wednesday 26 June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 9.15

Followed by benediction and exposition

Thursday 27 June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Open for private prayer

Friday 28 June

St Irenaeus, martyr

Mass at 9.15am

Saturday 29 June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Open for private prayer

Sunday 30 June

Ss Peter and Paul

Parish Mass at 9.15am

ALL WELCOME

For Confessions, please contact Fr.Clive.

Weekday Mass in our sister parish, Holy Trinity, Chipping Norton, on

Monday and Thursday, all

at 9.15am, with Rosary

group at 9.15am on Friday,

vigil mass at 6pm Sat and

Sunday mass at 11am

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Sharnalee Foster. She can be contacted at 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 if you have any concerns.

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**PARISH BARBECUE -14<sup>th</sup> July 12.30** – Our famous parish barbecue will resume this year, after a few years break, in the garden of 5 Enstone Road (thanks to Fr Tony). Tickets will be £5 for adults and free for children, and will be available from this weekend. Suze Mathews has kindly offered to coordinate selling the tickets. We need to know how many people to cater for, so please get a ticket in advance if you would like to come.

## CLOSING OF DEANERY VISITATIONS MEETING

Canon John would like to invite you all the Closing of Deanery Visitations Meeting which will commence with Vespers at the church of the Immaculate Conception, Bicester, OX26 1UN, followed by a meeting in the St John Paul II Centre (next door to the church) on **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm**. His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley and Episcopal Vicar Canon Paul Fitzpatrick will report on the current parish visitations taking place in our Deanery.

## PROPOSED JOINT PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR HOLY YEAR 2025 - Holy Trinity and St Teresa's

2025 has been declared a Holy Year or Jubilee. These Holy Year's happen every 25 years and the theme for next year is to be Pilgrims of Hope. The Holy Father has asked us to pray for

- 1) the resolution of wars
- 2) the post COVID situation
- 3) the climate .

To celebrate this Holy Year, we are seeking EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST ONLY at this time

### DETAILS

Spiritual leaders - Fr Clive and Fr Tony (dv)

4-5 days in September 2025 - to be confirmed.

Cost - as economically as possible

To gain the benefits of a Holy Year we will visit the 4 major basilicas in Rome - St Peter's, St Mary Major, St John Lateran and St Paul outside the walls and enter through the Holy Doors.

Please contact Johnny Hulme 07770 433290 [Johnnyhulme@me.com](mailto:Johnnyhulme@me.com) or Paul Branch 07771624578 [pnmebranch@btinternet.com](mailto:pnmebranch@btinternet.com) at Holy Trinity or Elizabeth Canning 07785 9714344 - [emcanning1@btinternet.com](mailto:emcanning1@btinternet.com) at St Teresa's.

For more information on the Holy Year and what it means please click on the following link; [www.iubilaeum2025.va](http://www.iubilaeum2025.va).

please also let Elizabeth Canning know if you would be interested in becoming involved in spiritual preparation for the Pilgrimage especially if you cannot travel.

**ACN FAMILY PILGRIMAGE TO STONOR, SAT 14 SEPT 2024** ACN is organizing a pilgrimage specially for parishioners at St Teresa's, and is partly sponsored by St Teresa's. The pilgrimage is suitable for families with/without children as the programme allows choices of activities according to preference, ie a tour of the house, Mass and other devotions are included, but bring your own picnic. If you are interested please contact Suze on [suemathews1066@btinternet.com](mailto:suemathews1066@btinternet.com), or see her after Mass on Sundays.

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