

## St Teresa's: Monday 2 Sept Weekday in Ordinary Time Open for private prayer Tuesday 3 Sept St Gregory the Great Open for private prayer Wednesday 4 Sept St Cuthbert Mass at 9.15 Thursday 5 Sept Weekday of Ordinary Time Open for private prayer Friday 6 Sept Weekday of Ordinary Time Open for private prayer Saturday 7 Sept Weekday of Ordinary Time Open for private prayer **Sunday 8 September** 23rd Sunday Parish Mass at 9.15am ALL WELCOME

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

For Confessions, please contact Fr.Clive.

## ST TERESA'S A CHARLBURY

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

**SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2024** Sunday Readings: Year B

22ND 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, Catherine, Joanna

With Fr Clive away this week. Fr Martin has written a text for us:

Think today of a young arrogant Roman citizen so proud of his skill as a public speaker, so full of hubris, and then he found God. This is part of what he wrote:

"As I first began to know you, you lifted me up and showed me that, while that which I might see exists indeed, I was not yet capable of seeing it. Your rays beamed intensely on me, beating back my feeble gaze, and I trembled with love and dread. I knew myself to be far away from you in a region of unlikeness, and I seemed to hear your voice from on high: "I am the food of the mature: grow, then, and you shall eat me. You will not change me into yourself like bodily food; but you will be changed into me".

Accordingly I looked for a way to gain the strength I needed to enjoy you, but I did not find it until I embraced the mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus, who is also God, supreme over all things and blessed for ever. He called out, proclaiming I am the Way and Truth and the Life.

Late have I loved you, Beauty so ancient and so new, late have I loved you!

Lo, you were within, but I outside, seeking there for you, and upon the shapely things you have made. I rushed headlong - I, misshapen. You were with me, but I was not with you.

They held me back far from you, those things which would have no being, were they not in you.

You called, shouted, broke through my deafness; you flared, blazed, banished my blindness; you lavished your fragrance, I gasped; and now I pant for you; I tasted you, and now I hunger and thirst; you touched me, and I burned for your peace.

From the Confessions of St Augustine of Hippo who we celebrated last Wednesday.

Given my suggestion that we avoid pride, may I humbly let you know that I have written s Novel which is now available from Amazon that you might like to read.

It is called "Finding Colin" and costs £5.99 or 99p on Kindle.

Father Martin Flatman

No Friday Mass this week. Fr Tony will say Mass on Wednesday.

## Ride and Stride:

The next ride and stride event is on the 14<sup>th</sup> September, the same day as the parish pilgrimage to Stonor. You may already be involved or on the rota for welcomers in the church on that day, but if not, Georgie Slack is organising a sponsored walk again at St Mary's Charlbury, doing a circuit of the 5 churches and chapels and along the Salt Way to Stonesfield church, and finishing the walk with a lunch in the community pub. She says St Theresa's is very welcome to join us in their ramble and in the lunch. Let her know if you would like to be included in the numbers for lunch.

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