



ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY

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RADFORD, RAMSDEN, STEEPLE ASTON and STONESFIELD

SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2024
Sunday Readings: Year B

25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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

Dear Parishioners

This week the newsletter will be different. I want to share an experience of this last week and there is also a pastoral letter from the Archbishop.

On Wednesday I was admitted into The Churchill for a minor but necessary procedure under general anaesthetic. From the start of the journey I was treated, and I use that word on purpose, to the highest standards of care and professionalism by the doctors and nurses involved. All the nurses were from abroad and most were Catholics too. Kerala, Philippines, Africa, Mauritius...every one were first class in their work and manner. Some people think we could do without people from abroad in this country. They should visit any hospital or care home to see the devastation it would cause if we had to rely on the home grown!

The first nurse was...from Ukraine! When I told her about our Ukrainian family in Holy Trinity, and that they were from the same city as her, the tears were welling up in both of us as she thanked the church for doing what we are doing to help fellow human beings who need the practical love of Christ.

The surgeon was young, British female, straight to the point. I noticed that she had clean, small hands which boded well for what she had to do! The lady anaesthetist was from Iran and we discussed Persian poetry. The two medical students were Palestinian and we sang Arabic songs as I slipped down into unconsciousness.

Late last night I returned home and slept well, thanking God for such facilities and people. We are so blessed to live in this country and it is no wonder so many want to escape their own countries where there may be no democracy, freedom of expression and no health care like in the West. And how fortunate are we to be in Oxfordshire with such a great tertiary hospital on our doorstep.

This weekend Fr's Martin and Tony are celebrating Holy Mass in our parishes and I hope very much to be back at the altar on Monday. Currently I lack a car as my Golf has died so I may call on volunteers to ferry me to and from Holy Trinity.

Reminders of mortality are not entirely a bad thing as it helps to put everything into perspective. We will all die one day but we believe and place our trust in a loving Saviour who has promised He will never abandon us..even to the end of time. To Him be praise and glory for ever.

Jesu, have mercy. Mary, pray for us.

Masses(hopefully) as usual next week.

First Communion/Confirmation/Reception /Marriage classes will begin as soon as I am up and running(and the car!).

God bless everyone

Fr Clive

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NEXT WEEK in

St Teresa's:

Monday 23 Sept

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Open for private prayer

Tuesday 24 Sept

Our Lady of Walsingham

Open for private prayer

Wednesday 25 Sept

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 9.15

**Followed by benediction
and exposition**

Thursday 26 Sept

Weekday of Ordinary Time

Open for private prayer

Friday 27 Sept

St Vincend de Paul

Open for private prayer

Saturday 27 Sept

Weekday of Ordinary Time

Open for private prayer

Sunday 29 September

26th Sunday

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, Tuesday and

Thursday 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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Second Collection

Sunday's second collection is for Father Hudson's Care which has been supporting vulnerable people – married or unmarried, Catholic and non-Catholic, gay or straight - throughout the diocese for the past century.

Today, it provides residential care for older people and those with dementia. It runs a day service that provides activities for physically or mentally disabled people, and an agency finding foster parents for children in its care.

Together with other charities, it runs projects giving advice and practical support to people living in poverty, homeless people, and families affected by domestic violence or substance abuse. Father Hudson's also works with a number of Catholic schools – ensuring better GCSE results than State-run schools for their Catholic and non-Catholic pupils.

You can read more about it at <https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/> Or donate at <https://www.justgiving.com/fatherhudson>

St Teresa's Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next parish pastoral council meeting will be at 7.30om on the 24th September in the church. All parishioners are very welcome (and encouraged) to attend.

Items on the agenda include safeguarding; finance sub-committee report; any property matters; “The Way Forward” – meeting report, follow-up and next steps; and notice boards.

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