



# ST TERESA'S CHARLBURY



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**SUNDAY 6 APRIL**

Sunday Readings: Year C

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

*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*

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

Monday 7 April  
St John Baptiste de la  
Salle  
*Open for private prayer*  
Tuesday 8 April  
Weekday in Lent  
*Open for private prayer*  
**Wednesday 9 April**  
**St Francis of Paola**  
**Mass at 9.15**  
**Followed by stations of**  
**the cross**  
Thursday 10 April  
Weekday in Lent  
*Open for private prayer*  
**Friday 11 April**  
**St Stanislaus, Bp, martyr**  
**Mass at 9.15am**  
Saturday 12 April  
Weekday in Lent  
*Open for private prayer*  
**Sunday 13 April**  
**Palm/Passion 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*  
*Tuesday and Thursday at*  
*9.15am, with Rosary*  
*group at 9.15am on*  
*Friday, vigil mass at 6pm*  
*Sat and Sunday mass at*  
*11am.*

This week there is a pastoral letter from the Archbishop, attached separately.

Dear Parishioners

Last weekend we heard our guest speaker and future Missioner, Fr Royston Price, a Redemptorist, talk to us all about the Mission he will be leading this July in both parishes. By general consent, his words were well received and his talk was uplifting, challenging and entertaining. A rare combination! In fact I felt rather inadequate listening to his captivating appeal to us all not to be soggy or semi-skimmed Catholics, but I reminded myself that Father Royston was a preaching "specialist" and that the Mission would be a rich time to listen and learn for us all.

This week we have another "guest preacher" in the form of a pastoral letter from His Grace Archbishop Bernard. He deals with the very serious and urgent issue of assisted dying/ suicide. This Bill, sponsored by Kim Leadbeater MP is about to receive its Third Reading and a vote at the end of this month. The Archbishop urges us all to write to our MP and cards will be provided on the pews. This is a very sensitive topic and there is much emotion in the air but we must not let our individual needs or experiences overwhelm the right thing to do.

Next week Masses/ Rosary as usual. The First Communion class is suspended during the Easter holidays now that the schools have broken up.

Please note the Services of Reconciliation (Confession):

Monday 7 April St John's Banbury (7 pm).

Friday 11 April Immaculate Conception Bicester (7 pm).

Tuesday 15 April Holy Trinity Chipping Norton (7 pm).

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday a week today! These are the times of services:

Only a fortnight to Easter Sunday...let's keep going and make Holy Week a memorable time.  
God bless,  
Fr Clive

## Holy week and Easter Mass times across the two parishes

13 April - Palm Sunday	9:15 St Teresa's
	11:00 Holy Trinity
15 April – Service of Reconciliation	7pm Holy Trinity

*We are having a joint Triduum with Chipping Norton parish, for reasons of space, all triduum services will be at the larger church, Holy Trinity.*

17 April – Maundy Thursday	7pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper
18 April – Good Friday	3pm - The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ
19 April – Holy Saturday	8pm – The Easter Vigil

<b>20 April – Easter Sunday</b>	<b>9:15 St Teresa's</b>
	<b>11:00 Holy Trinity</b>

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**Lifts to Mass:** If you have difficulty getting to Mass and would like a lift, or if you know of anyone else who does, please contact Sharnalee at 01608 679731.

**Peace in Christ's Teaching:** The last of the Peace Study Sessions is at 7.30pm on Thursday 10 March at Heathfield Cottage, Browns Lane - An experiment in sharing ideas, it uses a synodal format for a non-debate on polarising opinions. NO VOTES - NO COUNTING - NO WINNERS.

Six polarising statements will be put in order and views invited. As soon as everyone has said what they believe, we will move on to the next statement.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PEACEFUL NON-CONFRONTATIONAL PROGRESS, PLEASE COME. CLOSURE AT 9PM.

Time - 7.30-9pm; Place - Heathfield Cottage, Browns Lane. Details from Peter.

**Online Lectio Divina:** A reminder that Fr. Martin runs an online Lectio Divina – for further details on how you can take part, email Fr. Martin at [frmartinflatman@gmail.com](mailto:frmartinflatman@gmail.com)

**Churches together in Charlbury Lent Talks** – Churches together in Charlbury are running their annual Lent talks again at St Mary's Church on Tuesdays until April 8 at 7.30pm. The overall theme is "images of Jesus". This week, the speaker is Dr Elizabeth Koepping who will show speak on three aspects of our relationship with God: Faith/Doubt; Incarnation/Love and Passion/Compassion representations of Jesus in paintings and sculpture in the context of the many places of worship she has visited across the world. Admission free (donations welcome).



## A PARISH PRAYER FOR HIS HOLINESS (a note from Suze)

I've been invited by ACN to join some of their staff on a pilgrimage to Rome organized by the Vatican which includes an private audience with the Holy Father, his health permitting, God willing. I'd very much like to take a prayer with me from the parish which I can recite as I go through the Holy Doors of St Peter's, and then if an opportunity arises, to give the prayer to the Pope (or more likely an attendant). The prayer will have to be short (no longer than the Hail Mary) and on the Jubilee themes of hope, redemption and forgiveness. In particular it would be wonderful if the children of the parish could actively contribute their ideas. To that end you are, invited to send to Alison, Brek and me (Suze), simple sentences that we can edit to form our parish prayer. The deadline for the finished prayer to be with me is **FRIDAY 25 April** as I'm travelling elsewhere before I fly directly to Rome on 7 May, and won't have access to printing facilities.

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