

Parish Finance Thank you to all who have continued to pay by standing order at this time. Thank you also to those who have sent donations in lieu of their normal offertory. If you would like to take out a standing order relevant Parish office

Mass Obligation Even though Sunday and Weekday Masses are now resuming, the difficulties of the present time remain. The bishops therefore tell us that the obligation is Sunday Mass remains suspended. We can still pray together and look after one another. We can take care of those around us who might be in need. We can build up a sense of community in the area in which we live and maybe we relearn the simple things of faith whilst we hunger for the Bread of Life in the Eucharist.

Parish Office The Parish Offices will remain close; but any queries can be made by email, which will continue to be answered. Our contact details are below.

If you require a priest in an emergency, please phone St Peter's Church on 01285 652087

Requirements for Opening WE WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO OPEN THE CHURCHES, IF WE HAVE AT LEAST TWO STEWARDS FOR EACH MASS. WE ALL NEED TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF OUR CHURCH; THEREFORE, IDEALLY, WE WOULD LIKE DIFFERENT VOLUNTEERS FOR EACH OCCASION, AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. WE WILL ALSO REQUIRE CLEANERS AFTER EACH MASS. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP. IDEALLY YOU WILL NEED TO ARRIVE HALF AN HOUR BEFORE MASS. THANK YOU.

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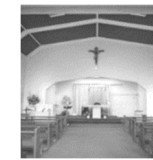
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SUNDAY XIV 'through the Year' (YEAR A)

WORSHIP FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 4th Jul 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's

Sun 5th Jul 9.00am Mass in St Michael's
11.00am Mass in St Peter's

Weekdays

Mon 6th Jul. Feria of Week XIV/St Maria Goretti
NO MASS

Tues. 7th Jul. Feria
Mass 9.30am in St Peter's (Mary McNulty RIP)
Traditional Latin Mass 6.00pm in St Peter's

Wed. 8th Jul. Feria
Mass 10.00am in St Michael's

Thurs. 9th Jul. Feria
Mass 9.30am in St Peter's

Fri. 10th Jul. Feria
Mass 9.30am in St Peter's (Charles McNulty RIP)
Traditional Latin Mass Noon in St Peter's

Sat. 11th Jul ST BENEDICT, Feast as Co-Patron of Europe
Mass 10.00am in St Michael's

CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AT PRESENT

NEXT XV SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – Year A

Sat 11th Jul. 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's

Sun 12th Jul. 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Beryl Harding RIP)
11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populo)

WE WELCOME EVERYONE WHO IS RETURNING AFTER THE PUBLIC HEALTH CLOSURE OR VISITING OUR PARISH FOR THE FIRST TIME, ASKING FOR GOD'S SPECIAL BLESSINGS. WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY AND HOLY WORSHIP WITH US

Due to advice from the Diocese the following has been put in place: -

- There will be a basket at the back of the church to put your offering on leaving
- the church
- Hymn books, Mass cards etc. are not being used at present and everything you need is on this sheet. Please take your newsletter home with you.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING

MASS TEXTS

Entrance Antiphon

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (*And, striking their breast, they say*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most-High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

Responsorial Psalm

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King

Second Reading

Romans 8:9,11-13

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia

Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is, seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come and judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic /church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him

Act of Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things, and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul, so that I may unite myself wholly to you, now and forever. Amen.



Father Philip writes Our first reading is traditionally associated with Lent VI, the Sunday of Palms and Passion. Having been necessarily deprived of our Palm Sunday Procession, it is good to have this reminder.

The Kings of Ancient Israel rode to their anointing and coronation on a donkey. Christ Our King also rides to His anointing at Bethany and crowning with thorns on a royal donkey. The ass was there in the stable at Bethlehem at the beginning. It not only stands

for royalty but for humility.

Even if they weren't truly humble men, the kings of Ancient Israel wanted to appear humble on coronation day. Our own sovereigns cover their royal robes with plain linen in Westminster Abbey for the anointing to show the same humble attitude before God. The Mighty King of Kings, the Word Incarnate, is obedient to His Father's will and hides His glory from human view. Our Gospel reading shows us that this humility did not start at the end of Christ's ministry but was there all the way through, beginning, middle and end; from cradle to grave.

Humility is often thought of as grovelling, but Christ never grovels. We need to understand that for us, as for Him, we must never overestimate our own importance. The word Humility comes from the Greek HUMUS, (not the famous dip!), meaning earth. We need to keep our feet on the ground. For us humility must mean accurate self- assessment, which is open to correction where necessary. We have good and bad in us and we must not deny either or overinflate either.

Please remember in your prayers:

The Universal Church, that her work of charity for the poor and the overburdened may flourish.

Our parish community, that we may support each other and be a place of healing, truth and mercy.

Our country in this unusual time, that we stay calm and help those in need.

The parishes of Kemerton, Tewkesbury, Winchombe and Bishop's Cleave, that they may grow in mission, communion and prayer.

Those who are sick; that Christ, Who knew the frailties of mortal flesh, may grant them strength, healing and joy we remember Margret Hooper.

Those who have died especially Roger Bramley and Elizabeth Catling, that they may be received into the place of eternal happiness, light and peace