



NEWSLETTER

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Monica Spalding, Christopher (Gerry) Flynn, Christina Geraghty,

WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES

OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Eileen Storer, Ludwik Janas, Margaret Beadle, Elizabeth Miles, Freda Peckston, Ann Vigurs, Lawrence Allen, Joseph Bottomley, Jock Green, Cynthia Marshall, Ursula Dowley, Tom McLoughlin, Louise Rogers, Pauline Moscardini, Patrick Sheehan, Deirdre Dowley, Josephine Bowen, Joanne Fish, Winifred Hersey, Len Holman, Bridget Kimmins, Marjorie Rexworthy, Raphael Tramonte, Charles Dodd, Frances Foxwell, Algisa Roncaglia, Charles Sargent, Una Crumney, Joan Gordon, David Jones, Dominic Lucas, Margaret Butler, Timothy Butler, Christopher Hogg, Anastasia Carolan, Eileen Darnell, Anthony Swiggs.

AND THOSE WHO ARE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Alma Hamilton, Chris Edley, Jill Tansley, Paolo Tumaini, Anna Hradil, Penny Watson, Michael O'Connell, Paul Thorpe, Maureen Hughes, Margaret Smith, Anna Bingham, Mary Hutchings, Margaritha Gibson, Anne King, Graham King, Hazel Grimoldby, Sylvia Richardson, Jan Rimmer, Mavis Parsons, Marie Mackay, Richard Fairfax, Roger Dore, Florencia Duga, Sandra Jones, Christopher Browne, Monica Spalding, Eileen O'Farrell, Jane Tolfree, Carmel Allan, Sean Carroll, Martin Connolly, Bernadette Fiddaman, Joseph Hughes, Imogen Jenkins, Paul Jones, Riza Carol Khan, Monica Macauley, Esther Page, Lochlan Quinlan, Jane Randall, Sr Raymond SSJA, Michael Sigsworth, Vic Smith, Norman Surridge, Vera Terry, Mary Wallace.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat	19 th	5:30pm	St John Fisher	Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Cynthia Marshall RIP
Sun	20 th	8:00am	St George	Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mary Bradley RIP
Sun	20 th	9:15am	St George	Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Deceased Members of the Kiener, Payne & Rogers Families
Sun	20 th	11:00am	St Teresa	Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Caragh Culley
Mon	21 st	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Deceased Members of the Walker & Baron Families
Tues	22 nd	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Dominic James Lucas RIP
Wed	23 rd	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Sina Healy
Thurs	24 th	9:30am	St John Fisher	Weekday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parishes
Thurs	24 th	12:30pm	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Max & Eva Walsh RIP
Fri	25 th	10:00am	St Teresa	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Derick Tansley RIP
Sat	26 th	9:30am	St George	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Jean Duff RIP
Sat	26 th	5:30pm	St John Fisher	Thirtieth Sunday of the Year	People of the Parishes
Sun	27 th	8:00am	St George	Thirtieth Sunday of the Year	Brenda Bagley RIP
Sun	27 th	9:15am	St George	Thirtieth Sunday of the Year	Mgr Patrick Lynch RIP
Sun	27 th	11:00am	St Teresa	Thirtieth Sunday of the Year	Brian Robertson RIP

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As you will no doubt be aware, a proposal to legalise assisted suicide is currently being considered in parliament. Cardinal Nichols has written a powerful pastoral letter inviting us to consider the issues and write to our MP opposing the change to the law. This can be found on the Bishops Conference website, as can a link to the Right to Life website, which provides a quick and easy way in which you can write to your MP. Bishop John Sherrington has invited Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action in response to this proposal. He writes "The Catholic Church accompanies those suffering and nearing the end of their lives with hope and affection, but also reminds them that their life is precious until the very last breath. In preparation for these challenging debates, let us offer our prayers for those facing the end of their lives, that they may receive the care and support they need to live their final days with respect for their dignity.

Let us also pray for our politicians and our country that wisdom and compassion may guide their decisions. I also urge all Catholics to become better informed about the serious problems associated with the legalisation of assisted suicide."

FATHER TOM DUBOIS

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW LECTIONARY DAY: At the beginning of Advent, we will start using the new lectionary with improved translations of the Biblical readings used at Mass. It's a beautiful opportunity to renew & deepen our relationship with the Word of God. We're offering a special day on Saturday 23 November to explore the new lectionary. This is an opportunity to pray & reflect on the Word of God, & look more deeply at how the readings are chosen & how we might go deeper in praying with & understanding these. Starts at St George with 9.30am Mass until 3:30pm.

40 HOURS WITH THE LORD: we'll be having 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration from 5am Friday 8 November to 9pm on Saturday 9 November. There will be times of silent adoration, led devotions & times of praise & worship. We're also offering a programme of talks about the Eucharist

TAIZE SERVICE: 4.00pm on 20th October in St Georges Church. Theme: 'Peace in our World'. Followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. Practice with singers & instrumentalists from 3.00pm & with the congregation from 3.40pm.

VISION 2025: As you may remember over the last year we've been looking at welcome in our parishes and making various steps to improve this. We're now deciding which priority we want to work on for the year ahead & would love your input on this. We're giving people a number of ways to participate in a process of synodal listening to discern which area should be our pastoral priority.

We're offering all parish groups and ministries an opportunity to do this as a group. We'll also have an opportunity after Masses this weekend to spend 15-20 mins listening to the Holy Spirit and each other, as we answer the question 'who does your heart break for'?

ADORATION: We are introducing a weekly time of perpetual adoration at St Richard of Chichester in Wiveliscombe. If you'd be interested in participating, please contact the parish office.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING AS FORMATION FOR MISSION: Led by Jason Charewicz from the Department of Adult Education. Come to learn how Catholic Social Teaching fits within the ancient tradition of Catholic moral theology, serves as a bridge between our faith and our neighbours of other traditions, and how it forms us to be missionary disciples in the 21st century. The evening will include prayer, presentation and workshops. It will take place Thursday, 21 November at St George's Centre, Taunton, from 19:00-21:00 (refreshments from 18:30).

DEANERY PASTORAL COUNCIL: all invited to the council meeting on the 21st of October from 3 pm to 5:30 pm in the Catholic Centre.

WALKING GROUP: we are looking to offer a regular opportunity for parishioners to come together for a walk. The first one will take place on Sunday 3 November, leaving at 11am from the Taunton Catholic Centre and returning there about 1pm. Participants are welcome to bring a picnic lunch to share after the walk if they want to.

CONFESSION TIMES: At St George's: Sat 10am-10:30am;
Thurs 12 noon -12:30pm
At St Teresa's: Fri 9:30am -10am
At St John Fisher: Sat 5pm-5:25pm

ADORATION TIMES: At St George Tues-Sun-6:30am-7:30am;
Wed 6:30am-9:30am; Tue-Fri5-6pm; Thurs 12 -12:25pm; Fri 5:00am -midnight; Saturdays 10am-11am (Children's Holy hour);
St John Fisher: Wed 3pm-7pm; Thurs10-12pm

NOTICES

Diocesan Prayer Link: St Gregory the Great/St Thomas More, Cheltenham

Standing Orders: 13/10/24

St George: £1827.96 St Teresa: £359.07

Offertory Collection: 13/10/24

St George: £804.38 St Teresa: £286.67

St John Fisher £151.80

MISSIO WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER.

There will be a Second Collection at all Masses next weekend for Missio, the Pope's charity.

MIDDLE EAST HUMANITARIAN APPEAL: we will be having a second collection next weekend to support the Disasters Emergency Committee appeal for the communities devastated by the current conflicts.

MASS CHANGE: Mass at St John Fisher on Thursday 31 October will, exceptionally, be at 9am.

MAMRE: 20th October after 9:15 mass in the Catholic Centre. Faith discussion for adults & craft activities for families followed by a lunch. There's a signup sheet at the back of the church.

HAND BELL RINGING AT ST GEORGE: following a kind donation of a set of handbells we now have an opportunity to set up a hand bell ringing group. All welcome to an initial meeting 11.00am to 12 noon Sunday 3rd November in the John Cunningham Room in the Parish Centre. For more info please contact Anne-Marie 01823 253293/ the Parish Office.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: we are looking for volunteers who would be willing to read the Act of Remembrance at each Mass, especially serving or retired members of the armed forces or cadets. Please contact Jonathan jejm@hotmail.co.uk

IMPACT: our group for teenagers will meet 27th October from 5.30 to 7pm in St George's Rectory.

NIGHT OF LIGHT: we're having a celebration of the Saints for primary school children on Thurs 31st October from 3.30-5pm in Taunton Catholic Centre. This will involve games & activities based on the lives of the Saints & finish with a time of prayer. Children are invited to come dressed as a Saint.

FAIRTRADE: Fairtrade on offer at St John Fisher on Saturday 19th Oct;- St Teresa's Sunday 20th Oct. We have already raised £140. Thank you.

BOOK GROUP: meet on 6th November at Taringa, Trull. Contact the Parish Office for details.

ST TERESA: will be serving vegetable soup with french bread after Mass on 3rd of November. If you'd like to contribute there's a list in the church entrance.

PRAYER GROUPS: Charismatic Prayer Group: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 7.00pm-8.30pm St. George's Church; 2nd and 4th Wed 10am-11.30am St. George's Centre
Mother's Prayer: Every other Thurs 8-10pm Parish Centre.

Prepare for Sunday praying the Mass readings together:

Thurs 1pm-2:15pm, 7th November, St George's Centre

Pray the Rosary: Tues 6:15pm St George's Church; 1st Tuesday of the month at 10:30am St John Fisher Church.