

**THE PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF
HEREFORD, WEOBLEY, HR4 8QS AND
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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Even the winds and the sea obey Him.”

The Eye of the Storm, by Abraham Hunter, 2017

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COVID & FLU: Please take all normal precautions,
Weobley Mass will continue to be Zoomed.
Zoom ID:768 558 1521 and Password:1rZ7LU

12th ORDINARY WEEK OF YEAR B.

Sat.Jun.22 Mass of Sunday, Kington 6.00pm.

Int - Roger & Sarah Nichols

Sun. 23 12th Ord. Sunday, Yr.B

Mass, Weob. 10.30Z –

Mon. 24 Mass, Weob.10.00 Nativ.of J.Baptist

Tues. 25 Mass. Weob. 10.00 – feria

Wed. 26 Mass, K'ton 10.30 - feria

Thur. 27 NO Mass- S.Cyril of Alexandria

Fri. 28 Mass,Weobley 4.00pm - St.Irenaeus

Sat 29 SS. John Fisher & Thomas More.

Mass of Sunday, Kington 6,00pm.

Sun. 30 SS.PETER & PAUL

Mass Weobley 10.30am.Z

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLES OF ISRAEL AND GAZA

May lasting peace reign in Jesus' own country

**Pray for lasting peace in the Ukraine and a change
of the Russian mind, especially the church.**

**PLEASE PRAY for AFGHANISTAN and IRAN
struggling for humane government and basic rights
for women**

For Peace in the Arabian Gulf.

**FOR ALL BOAT MIGRANTS that they may have
love, justice and shelter according to their needs.**

For the people of Haiti and all relief efforts.

**For the people of Georgia in their struggle for
freedom.**

**Please pray for all of us in the U.K. as we prepare
to vote for a new parliament.**

**We pray for those of our parish or known to us who
are sick or in need of special prayers:** John and
Vicky Tanner, Graham Vaughan, Melita Denaro,
Vivian Brooke, Pat Walls, Sheila Mundy, Catherine
Williams, Claire Burrows, Sarah Murkin, Tom
O'Brien, Roger & Sarah Nichols, Bill Davies, .
**For any parishioners, relatives and friends recently
dead:** Sylvia Hayes, Michal Payman

**We remember those of our parish whose
anniversaries occur at this time:** Bernard Elcose
(M.'94), Lucy Torphreda Lady Ransford (W.'99),
David Parrott (W.2001), Mollie Gudge (Sa.'97).

**For King Charles III and Princess Kate at this time
of concern over their health.** May our King always
set the highest standards of leadership for our country.
We also pray for our government, especially our Prime
Minister, Rishi Sunak. May they govern with integrity
following the religious beliefs of our country. And we
pray for the leaders of all the other countries of the
world, esp.President Zelenski of Ukraine **and for
conversion of the Russian leadership.**

**For the people and leaders of Gaza, Israel, Lebanon
& Yemen, and for the success of all peace
initiatives.**

Please bring RED BOXES to Mass for counting.

Thanks to those from our parish, from Leominster and
Belmont who took part in last Monday's **Retreat day**
at Llangasty. The weather was kind and the mood was
good. We will have a re-cap shortly.

DATES TO HUNGER FOR (details to follow):

Strawberry Tea - THIS Sunday June 23rd. p.t.o.

Parish Barbecue - Sunday Sept.1st.

Bring and share Lunch – Sun. Dec.1st

Tickets for STRAWBERRY TEA after Mass.

See over for details.

WEOBLEY ALLOTMENTS SOCIETY (Here)

OPEN AFTERNOON. Saturday July 6th.2pm.- 4.30

ALL WELCOME but no dogs. Entry free.

Fr. Simon will be away on holiday from Sun.June
30th. afternoon, until Friday July 5th. p.m.

SERMONETTE

FIRST READING from the Book of Job. (Ch.38, v.1 & 8-11)

In biblical times when ships might have been no more than 100 feet long, the prospect of a real storm was terrifying. Even with today's super-tankers there is cause for real fear. Job is here using the sea as an analogy for all the earthly powers, physical, moral and political, which resist the power of the Almighty. Apart from the odd volcano, the sea was the most terrifying symbol of sheer power. For this reason, it was assumed that God, who alone had power over the heavens and the earth, had mastery of the seas. This ties in with today's Gospel in which Jesus' disciples are caught in a terrible storm on the Sea of Galilee, not knowing who but God can save them. Jesus, their Rabbi, calmly steps to the fore and all is quiet. Naturally the disciples ask. "Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him." Therefore...

SECOND READING from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians (Ch.5. vv.14-17)

After writing about our exile from the body to be with the Lord, Paul today goes on to speak of the love that Christ's death means for us. He has indeed died for us but that would have no significance were it not for his motive for accepting death. He accepted death for us to show us that we should no longer live for ourselves. Even those who did once know Christ in the flesh, we have all moved on. Now, through baptism we are in Christ as a new creation. For us the old creation is no more. Now we are forever alive in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL according to Mark (Ch.4, vv.26-34)

Jesus' fund of stories seems unlimited, mostly elicited by the daily circumstances of His mission. Last week He was in the wheatfields, today He is in a fishing boat. The Sea of Galilee, though small, is known for its sudden tempests; gales were frequent. All the more strange that Jesus should be lying comfortably in the stern. We have to remember that the gospels were written some 30+ years after Jesus' ascension so the disciples and evangelists would have had time to reflect theologically upon Jesus' words and actions. When Mark records Jesus' calming of the sea, he is doing it through the insights of Job and other Old Testament writing reflecting on the power of God. They are witnessing to divine power in the Jesus they knew as teacher, miracle worker and saviour. So the question, "Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey Him" is rhetorical.

STRAWBERRY TEA: June 23rd. £5.00 per adult. Children (under 18) free, on sale wk/end June 1+2

Strawberries have been ordered from Moor Court Farm. The Tea will be on the parish 'Jubilee' Field, from 2.30 - 5.00pm. The success of the day will depend upon the participation and help of as many as possible. **Help will also be needed on Friday June 21st to set up the marquees.** If you are willing and able please 'phone **Frank McNally** on 07909 660 160. A rota of tea and cake servers for 30 min. shifts. **Donations of cakes needed on the day. Raffle prizes** needed and can be left at either church. A couple of ticket sellers on the day. The all-popular **Bottle Stall** will be run by Pat and Karen. **They will need bottles.** Any help, please ring **Joan McNally** on [07528.676 760](tel:07528.676.760). Email: mcnallyjoan49@gmail.com

Tickets on sale this weekend

This week

NEXT DEANERY TALK – "Horizons of Hope" Thursday June 27th. 7.00pm.

At St.Francis Xavier Church, Broad St., Hereford.

Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald of the Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers). O.B.E. Former Head of the Vatican Council for Interreligious Dialogue, and one of Pope Francis' key personal advisors on other faiths. He will speak on

"HUMAN FRATERNITY,

The Church's Message to a Divided World".

His talk will be preceded by **Mass at 6.00pm.** at which Cardinal Fitzgerald will preside.