

THE PARISH

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PRAYERS

**Let us remember those in our parish
and friends who are in need of
special prayers.**

John & Vicky Tanner, Graham
Vaughan, Melita Denaro, Vivian
Brooke, Claire Burrows, Sarah
Murkin, Roger Nichols, Bill Davies
Kath Morgan, Frank McNally,
Beverley Fensom, Louise Wright,
Derek Wood, Caroline Dynes,
Rosemary Jackson.

**For parishioners, relatives and
friends lately dead.**

**For those of our parish whose
anniversaries occur at this time:**

Ron O'Neill (M.2007), John Joseph
Doyle (T.'52), Leslie Burns (W.2000)
Trudi Klein (Th. 2013), Francesca
Maria Gore (Sa.'61), Dorothy Green
(Sa.'62).

**For peoples and leaders threatened
by the greater powers of the world,
especially Iran, Lebanon, Greenland,
Venezuela, especially the recent
earthquake victims around Caracas,
the Ukraine, Uyghur people in China,**

**For our King, Charles & Queen
Camilla and the Royal Family. Our
Prime Minister?** and the government.

**For all the peoples caught up in
wars and disasters: Ukraine,
Lebanon, Iran, and civil wars in
Sudan /Dafur, the Ebola victims
in the D.R.C. and especially the
people of Venezuela.**

St.Thomas of Hereford, Weobley & St. Bede the Venerable, Kington

PARISH BULLETIN

Sun. July 12th.- Sat. July 18th. Week Fifteen

First Reading

Isaiah.ch.55 vv10-11

This is Isaiah III
writing about divine
providence in the
years closely follow-
ing the return from
Babylon. Using a
cosmological
analogy (cosmology
was the new science
of the age
emanating from
Egypt and Greece),
Isaiah creates an
analogy with God's
love and care for his
creation and His
people after all they
had been through
under the Assyrians
and Babylonians. In
our liturgy this text
relates to the
farming parable
used by Jesus in the
gospel. In Isaiah's
day the weather was
part of God's language;
today it is just a
backdrop to today's
opportunities.



'The Sower'

by Jean Francois Millet. c.1850

Second Reading

Romans, ch.8, vv.18-23

Last week Paul was trying to
explain the difference within us
of the human spirit (*pneuma*) and
the divine Spirit working through
our spirit. Today he faces the
truth that the creation of which
we are part is subject to futility
and death. But what seems to us
like futility to God is the scope
for growth, growth towards Him.
Paul's majestic description of the
"whole of creation groaning in
the pains of childbirth as we wait
for our bodies to be set free", is
one of his most sublime.

Gospel Reading

Matt. Ch.13, vv.1-23)

Imagine just sitting
beside the Lake of
Galilee with Jesus and
a crowd hungry for his
every word. What is
he going to come out
with today. There are
jobs to do at home and
fish to catch but I must
first listed to this one.
The sower. Yes, true:
some does just fall by
the wayside. That
reminds me or... Then
some always falls on
rocky ground where it
just shrivels up..I
know people like that.
Oh yes, some falls
among thorns. That's
true too. I know
people like that – you
just can't get through.
But thank God he's
mentioned those who
are good ground. Now
he's talking about us,
hey Simon, James,
Jo..? Well, I'm not so
sure that he's not
talking about all of us.

**This Sunday -
Collection for the
Sea Sunday**

**SERVICES AND DATES
FOR WEEK 14,
ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**



Sat. July 11	MASS OF 15th ORDINARY SUNDAY. Kington, 6.00pm	INTENTION <i>People of Venezuela</i>
Sun. July 12	15th. ORDINARY SUNDAY Mass, Weobley. 10.30am	<i>People of Venezuela</i>
Mon. July 13	Mass at Weobley, 10.00am- <i>feria</i> <i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	
Tue. July 14	Mass at Weobley, 10.00am - <i>feria</i> <i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	<i>Our congregation at Weobley</i>
Wed. July 15	Mass, Kington, 10.30am <i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	<i>Our congregation at Kington</i>
Thur. July 16	NO Mass <i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	
Fri. July 17	<i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i> Mass, Weobley 4.00pm - <i>feria</i>	
Sat. July 18	MASS OF SIXTEENTH SUNDAY Kington 6.00pm	
Sun. July 19	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY, Ord.time. Mass, Weobley 10.30am	<i>Dorothy Pearce, Julie's mother</i>

Mass intentions. If you would like to have a Mass offered for any intention, contact Fr. Simon. Please indicate for whom or what the intention is offered. Envelopes available.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Wed. July 15 th .	Bible Reading Group	St. Thomas' 2.00
Sun. July 26 th .	Baptism of Martyn Price	Weobley, 10.30 Mass
Wed. July 22 nd .	Prayer for ourselves	St. Thomas' 3.00
Wed. Aug. 16 th .	Assumptn of O.Lady. River flotilla	River Wye, Hay-Belmont
	Mass	Rotherwas chapel 2.30?
Sun. Aug. 23 rd .	St. John Kemble pilgrimage.	Welsh Newton. Sun. Aug. 23

SAFEGUARDING. After umpteen years as our Safeguarding Officer, Joanna Helme has stepped down and will be replaced by Camilla Bengough. We are very grateful for Joanna's long and devoted service and to Camilla for her willingness to step up.

GENERAL NOTICES

Sea Sunday

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church (please use a Gift Aid envelope if you are a taxpayer) or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously.

STRAWBERRY TEA. HUGE THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED IN ANY WAY TO MAKE THIS SUCH A SUCCESS, MAKING OVER £700 FOR THE PARISH. Especial thanks to all who helped in any way, especially Joan and Frank, to Andy for meticulous preparation of the ground and so much more, to the marquee erectors and deposers, to all who ran stalls, who gave bottles, baked cakes, served the strawberries, and to all of you who came especially the many children.

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES. A new initiative suggested by a parishioner. 1 hour of silent prayer with a couple of brief readings. Wednesday afternoons 3.00-4.00, Starting Wednesday July 8th. in our Church at Weobley.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS AT WEOBLEY. In the coming weeks we will be exhibiting in the parish room a fine series of painting by our late parishioner, Sheila Mundy, on the theme of the Our Father. These will be for sale as a set or as individual pictures.

Deepen your prayer life: Deepen your affiliation to the monks at Belmont Abbey. Meet others who share our Christian spirit. Come to know and follow the Rule of St. Benedict. JOIN THE BELMONT ABBEY OBLATES (See poster).