

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:**
Henry Malotau (S), Violet Kerrigan
(Sa.'84)

**For peoples and leaders threatened
by the greater powers of the world,
especially Iran, Lebanon, 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, Prime Minister
Andy Burnham 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 25th.- Sat. Aug. 1st. Week Seventeen

First Reading

1 Kings, Ch. 3, vv. 5-12

King Solomon was the favourite son of King David by Beer-sheba. As a young man he showed remarkable wisdom so that people would come to him for his judgment – no bad thing for a king. On the death of his father he has inherited a vastly expanded kingdom of considerable wealth. In his prayer God prompts the young king to ask for a gift. In his godly wisdom Solomon asks for wisdom that he may be a good king and reign with justice over the kingdom he has inherited. God is pleased that Solomon has not asked for worldly things or victories, so He gives him a wise and discerning mind.

The pearl of great price



Second Reading

Romans, ch. 8, vv. 28-30

“We know that for those who love God all things work together for good,” writes Paul. Do we always find this? Perhaps we expect of God what he has not predestined for us. Paul introduces us to the term ‘predestination’ meaning the plan God has for us since our creation, which is to be conformed to the image of His Son. In His Son, Jesus, we become justified and in being justified we are glorified – i.e. destined for heaven.

Gospel Reading

Matt. Ch. 13, vv. 44-52)

Jesus continues His parable discourse all of which centres upon the kingdom of God. None of them sound much like heaven as we have learned about it; in fact, the picture given is pretty worldly. It is a heaven full of ordinary people: good, industrious, lazy, cheats, thieves, greedy, worldly minded. They are all in there. The parables are there to help us negotiate a good path through all the mess, contradictions and inequality which cause us so much worldly pain and self-delusion. Jesus' parables are more about how to negotiate the world, life, and the people we will meet. They are not religious or political manifestos but gentle instructions on how please God with your life.

**SERVICES AND DATES FOR
WEEK 16, ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A**

Sat. July 25	MASS OF 17th ORDINARY SUNDAY. Kington, 6.00pm	INTENTION <i>People of The Ukraine</i>
Sun. July 26	17th. ORDINARY SUNDAY Baptism of Martyn Price Mass, Weobley. 10.30am	<i>Martyn Price</i>
Mon. July 27	<i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i> NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK	
Tue. July 28	<i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	
Wed. July 29	<i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	
Thur. July 30	<i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	
Fri. July 31	<i>Morning prayer 9.40am</i>	
Sat. Aug. 01	MASS OF 18th.ORD.SUNDAY Kington 6.00pm	
Sun. Aug. 02	18th. ORDINARY SUNDAY, Mass, Weobley 10.30am	

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?

Sun. July 26 th .	Baptism of Martyn Price	Weobley, 10.30 Mass
Wed. July 29 th .	Bible Reading Group	St. Thomas' 2.00
Wed. Aug. 5 th .	Prayer for ourselves	St. Thomas' 3.00
Wed. Aug. 16 th .	Assumption of O. Lady. River flotilla	Hay, R. Wye, Weobley, Belm.
	Vespers of Our Lady	St. Thomas, Weobley 3.00
	Mass	Rotherwas chapel 2.30?
Sun. Aug. 23 rd .	St. John Kemble pilgrimage.	Welsh Newton. Sun. Aug. 23

Fr. Simon will be away this week from Sunday afternoon July 26th until Friday July 31st.

GENERAL NOTICES

National Emergency Briefing

This is the result of leading experts and concerned citizens joining forces to encourage UK decision makers (and ourselves) to step up their response to the escalating climate change and nature crisis. It takes the form of a film, being shown in various communities, with the hope of it being shown eventually on nationwide TV. At the showings there is also the chance to discuss the film with others. Some of you may have already seen this important and very thought-provoking film. If not, you can see it at the following places:

30th July - Leominster Community Centre 7.30pm

6th August - Hopelands Village Hall, Weobley 7.30pm

27th August - Dilwyn Cedar Hall 7.30pm

For more information, visit the website www.nebriefing.org

ASSUMPTION FLOTILLA. The annual river procession of Our Lady will take place on the 15th and 16th of August (Assumption). It will halt near Weobley on the 16th and special Vespers will be sung in St. Thomas' church at 3.00pm. Please try to come along and sing.

More than human? Reading Magnifica Humanitas from Laudato Si' with Prof Carmody Grey, Chair in Integral Ecology, Radboud University (Netherlands) in dialogue with Dr Austen Ivereigh. Following the interest in our recent day on Pope Leo's new encyclical, we are delighted to welcome Professor Carmody Grey for this special event. She will look at Pope Leo's document within Pope Francis's framework of integral ecology and integral human development. **Tuesday 11th August, 10-12:30** at the Chapterhouse, Belmont Abbey, Hereford HR2 9RZ

Star of the Sea: An Evening of Gregorian Chant and Organ Music at Belmont Abbey for the feast of the Assumption, **Saturday, 15th August 7pm at Belmont Abbey Church. Tickets £10 include refreshments. To book:** <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/monkssoftld/2311155>

Mary through Artists' Eyes: Journey through two thousand years of beautiful Christian art as Abbot Brendan explores how painters, sculptors and iconographers have portrayed Mary and the faith that inspired these works. **Saturday, 15th August 10am-4pm, The Chapterhouse, Belmont. £12 per person for the day. Meals and Refreshments available. To book:** <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/monkssoftld/2270143>