

**THE PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF
HEREFORD, WEOBLEY, HR4 8QS AND
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TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME



“If anyone wants to be first, he must deny himself and make himself the servant of all.”

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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

25th. ORDINARY WEEK OF YEAR B.

Sat.Sept.21 Mass of Sunday, Kington 6.00pm.

Int - Roger Nichols

Sun.	22	25th. Ordinary Sunday
		Mass, Weob.10.30Z–int:
Mon.	23	Mass, Weob.10.00Z – Feria
Tue.	24	Mass, Weob. 10.00Z - Feria
Wed.	25	Mass, K'ton 10.30 - Feria
Thur.	26	NO Mass - SS. Cosmas & Damian
Fri.	27	Mass, Weob. 4.00 – S.Vncent de Paul
Sat.	28	Mass of Sunday, Kington 6,00pm.
Sun.	29	26th. ORDINARY SUNDAY
		<i>(Also Feast of St. Michael & All Angels</i>
		<i>Patrons of Belmont Abbey)</i>
		Mass Weobley 10.30am.Z

**PRAY FOR THE PEOPLES OF GAZA, ISRAEL AND
THE LEBANON**

**May lasting peace come to Jesus' own country, and
the success of all peace initiatives.**

**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 the people of Kerala (S.India) recovering from
terrible floods with many dead.**

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

For safety and hospitality to all our immigrants.

**For calm and good sense in the run up to the
elections in the U.S.A.**

**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, Roger
Nichols, Bill Davies, Alethea Lavington, Sarah
Williams, Gaytree Wrigley, Catherine Gaynor.

**For any parishioners, relatives and friends recently
dead:** Andrew Pace, Fr.Frank Slater.

**We remember those of our parish whose
anniversaries occur at this time:** Alyson Brown
(S.'80), Agnes Mary Morgan (M.'68), Ann Morgan
(T.'72), Sylvia ann Bedford (W.), Martin Gudge
(W.2014), John Moulton (Sa.), Ivan Dillon (Sa.2015).

**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 new government, especially
our Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer and his
cabinet.** 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.**

Other important events:

Weobley Churches Together Harvest Service
SUNDAY. OCTOBER 6th. 11.00. SS.P&P Church,
Weobley. MASS AT ST.THOMAS' 9.30

HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASSES . Sun.Oct
Both our churches, Sat/Sun. October 12/13. Bring
loads of produce, tins, packets, etc.

C.T. HEALING SERVICE, Kington. Sunday
October 20th (St.Luke), 4.00pm. at St. Bede's

WEOBLEY C.T. 'QUIET DAY' at Llangasty
Monday October 21st. 10.00-4.00. £35 all in, except
travel.. See notices in churches.
Ring John Simons: 01544.318493

SERMONETTE

FIRST READING from the book of Wisdom (Ch.2, vv.12-20)

The Book of Wisdom is one of that late Old Testament collection of 'Wisdom books' (principally Proverbs, Wisdom, Psalms, Ecclesiastes, Ecclesiasticus and others) which were a compendium of how the good Jew ought to live, "walking in the steps of the Lord". They are also deeply critical of those who do not follow the way of the Lord. Today's first reading is such a tract. It speaks of the mindset of the godless, the mocking and the cynical. This text is often appointed for the feast of martyrs. The good person gets on our nerves because he we perceived that his way of life is critical of us: he makes us feel uneasy in our wickedness. We can test him with cruelty because, as he says, God will look after him.

SECOND READING from the letter of James (Ch.3, vv.16- ch.4, v.3)

Today, James echoes the thoughts of the Wisdom writer in our first reading. The wicked man has got to where he is by such vices as jealousy and ambition. He does not heed the Law of God: he cares only about himself; he is a "Number One", as we say. By contrast, the good man, the man of wisdom, is one who makes the world work: he is kind, compassionate, peace-making and without any trace of hypocrisy. Clearly, James is finding those same worldly attitudes within the Christian community, both between members and even within the members themselves. People are not praying for things which will be truly good for themselves and the community but are praying for things which will indulge their passions. True today??

GOSPEL according to Mark (Ch.8, vv.27-35)

Last week, Jesus established with his apostles, who he was. He was aided by Peter who had a revelation from the Father that He was the Christ, the Messiah. Today, He has to point out that this is not an honour, like some worldly titles. In fact, He is going to be singled out, like the "virtuous man" in our first reading. From now on, everything Jesus says and does will annoy and upset the godless, and even those who think themselves godly. Even some of his disciples will fall into this trap. They start to argue about who is 'boss'. There is no boss, says Jesus, using a little child as the image of himself and of how they should be. These were not nice, clean, middle-class rabbis' children; these were pick-pockets and riff-raff who followed Jesus around because they were bored. To welcome one of them was to welcome not only Jesus but the Father who sent Him.

CAFOD DAY with Therese Warwick, our local representative. Saturday October 23rd. at Belmont, 10.00.

DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING DAY. Saturday October ... at Belmont Parish Centre.

First Holy Communions.

It would appear that there are a number of children at Kington who are of age to begin receiving Communion. Parents of children who are reaching Communion age should contact Fr. Simon or Sarah Nichols so that suitable preparations can be made.