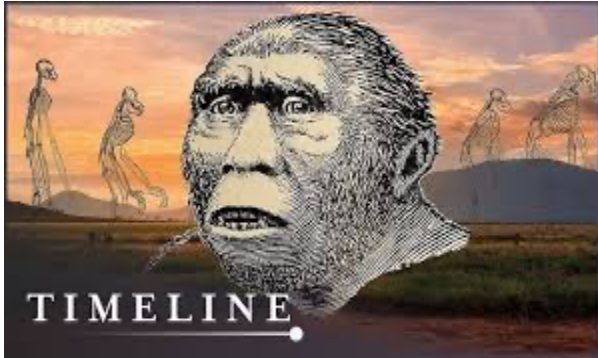


**THE PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF
HEREFORD, WEOBLEY, HR4 8QS AND
ST.BEDE THE VEN. KINGTON, HR5 3DW**

**TWENTY-SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY
TIME**



God said, "It is not good for man to be alone. I will make him a helpmate". (*Gen.2, 18*)

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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

27th. ORDINARY WEEK OF YEAR B.

Sat. Oct. 5 Mass of Sunday, Kington 6.00pm.

Int - Roger Nichols

CAFOD FAST DAY COLLECTIONS

Sun.	06	27th. Ordinary Sunday
		Mass, Weob. 9.30Z-int:
Mon.	07	Mass, Weob.10.00Z -O.Lady of Rosary
Tue.	08	Mass, Weob. 10.00Z - Feria
Wed.	09	Mass, K'ton 10.30 - S.Jn.Henry Newman
Thur.	10	NO Mass - Feria
Fri.	11	Mass, Weob. 4.00 - Pope S.John XXIII
Sat.	12	Mass of Sunday, Kington 6,00pm.
Sun.	13	28th. ORDINARY SUNDAY
		Mass Weobley 9.30am.Z

**PRAY FOR ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE MIDDLE-
EAST. 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:** Harry Hames, Mike Bickers.

**We remember those of our parish whose
anniversaries occur at this time:** Reginald Pritchard
(M.'58), James Patrick McGann (W.'65), Carolyn
Cotterell (F.'99),

**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:

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

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASSES . In 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 Genesis (*Ch.2. vv.18-24*)

The first chapters of Genesis read almost like a novel, or the preparation for one. God has authored a human being. To our reading it is a man but that is irrelevant because there is no other. God loves his creature but feels for him because he must be lonely. He brings the other creatures he has created to man but there is no meeting of minds, and not even of bodies (all those feathers, horns and bristles). All are fine in their own way but cannot communicate with this man. Another being of similar stature is needed but not just a repeat. How about a person with the same sort of mind and compatibility of body? To be like him and be able to share him, this one would have to come from him. I will bring a her to him and see how he reacts. He immediately see the compatibility and decides to stay with her. In the future, all men and women will do the same and when they produce children their children will leave them and join others as if they were one body. Now chapter two...

SECOND READING from the letter to the Hebrews (*Ch.2, vv.9-11*)

The letter to the Hebrews seems to have been written by a convert Jewish priest to other convert Jewish priests. It is peppered with liturgical references most likely to appeal to priests of the temple. It concentrates upon the theme of Jesus Christ as the supreme priest or intercessor between God and men. He did this by undergoing every kind of torment and rejection that mankind could throw at Him so that, in taking our sins upon Himself He might lead us to the same glory which he shares with His Father in Heaven.

GOSPEL according to Mark (*Ch.10, vv.2-16*)

The Pharisees are back, this time trying to trick Jesus into denying the Law of Moses on the matter of divorce. Jesus turns their question around by pointing out the reason for Moses' permissive attitude. It was because they themselves were incorrigible. There is no point in a law which no one obeys. If we go back to the divine intention at the time of creation God created man and woman to be united so there could be no question of divorce for they become one body as did the first man and woman. That should be enough to answer the Pharisees but the disciples are still troubled over the reality of the matter. Here Jesus gives the religious reason for the law, that a man or a woman should not divorce in order to marry another. As always, it is the intention which under-rides the precept and which determines any guilt.

NEW MISSALS containing the new lectionary, due to be introduced at Advent, are now available. Hodder have published a new version of the Sunday missal. It looks very satisfactory but they cost £18.99 each. HOWEVER, if we buy ten or multiples of, they will cost £13.00 each. For this offer, please sign the list at the back of your church.

-CAFOD COLLECTIONS. If possible please, please hand these in today, following Family Fast Day last Friday. Please remember to sign the 'Gift Aid' form if you are eligible. You can also donate on-line at www.cafod.org.uk. Do please take time to look at our parish website where you will find information about the focus for this year's appeal and links to find out about the wonderful work funded by you generosity.

WANTED URGENTLY. A parish book-keeper and someone to order parish supplies. It could be 2 different people working in coordination. Keith White has carried both these roles in recent years, since the death of Margaret Neill, and we are very grateful to him for this. However, he now needs to stop, so we are looking for someone...

- 1) to record income and expenses, arrange for the payment of invoices, file these, check through bank statements, check the collections and bank these.
- 2) to monitor supplies and order when necessary items such as fuel oil, candles, altar-breads and communion wine.

If you think you might be prepared to volunteer for either or both of these roles, please speak to Joanna (or contact her at joannahelme@gmail.com or tel. 01432 760816).

Keith is prepared to explain fully what is involved in handing over these roles, which I am sure you will understand are essential for our parish.