

**THE PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF
HEREFORD, WEOBLEY, HR4 8QS AND
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THIRDWEEK OF EASTER

The Supper at Emmaus: Michelangelo Carravagio, c.1600



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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

3rd. WEEK OF EASTER

Sat.Apr.13 Mass of Sunday, Kington 6.00pm.

Sun. 14 3rd. SUN OF EASTER

Mass, Weob. 10.30Z – Robin Snead-Cox

Mon. 15 Mass, Weob. 10.00Z. - feria

Tues. 16 Mass. Weob. 10.00Z - feria

Wed. 17 Mass, Kington. 10.30 - feria

Thur. 18 NO Mass

Fri. 19 Mass 4.00pm.Z. - feria

Sat. 20 Mass of Sunday, Kington 6,00pm.

Sun. 21 4th, SUN. OF EASTER

Mass Weobley 10.30am.Z

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

May peace reign in Jesus' own country
Pray for lasting peace in the Ukraine and a change
of the Russian mind.

PLEASE PRAY for AFGHANISTAN and IRAN
struggling for humane government and basic rights
for women, especially Afghanis seeking sanctuary
in Britain.

For Peace in the Arabian Gulf.

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

The people and country of Haiti and all relief
efforts.

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, Diane
Howells, Tom O'Brien.

For any parishioners, relatives and friends recently
dead: Pat Buckley, Stephen Booth.

We remember those of our parish whose
anniversaries occur at this time: Robin Snead-Cox
(S.'68), Frank Gilfedder (S.2017), Patrick Fitness
(M.'71), Margaret Doherty (M.2002), Augusta
Malotau (Th.),Mariella Jennings (Th.2015), Bernard
Bramwell (Sa.2005), Lucie Baker (Sa.2007),

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.

The people and leaders of Gaza, Israel & Yemen.

"HORIZONS OF HOPE"

Our Deanery series of talks for the church and
the world.

Thursday April 25th. 7.00pm. St. Francis
Xavier's church

"HOW TO SOW PEACE IN A WORLD AT WAR"
Dr. Maria Power, Fellow of Blackfriars College,
Oxford. Senior Research Fellow in Human Dignity
at Las Casas Institute for Social Justice.

NEWS ITEM: This last Saturday, April 13th. Fr.
Simon attended the ceremonial award by the Lord
Lieutents of the British Empire Medal to Mrs.Louise
Wright for services to multiple local charities and
Herefordshire business. The ceremony took place at
Belmont Abbey church and it was packed. She is still
recovering from serious cancer treatment so please
continue to pray.

COMING UP:

PLANT FAIR, BROXWOOD COURT. Wed. Apr.24

SERMONETTE – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS READINGS

FIRST READING from the Acts of the Apostles (*Ch.3, vv.13-19*).

Peter goes public after the authorities have tried to arrest him. He appeals to the Jewish crowd and their leaders on the basis of their revered ancestry, the patriarchs no less, to assure them that Jesus Christ, whom they have just killed, was actually sent by God Himself to bring the people back to the faith of those ancestors. Even Pontius Pilate tried to release Jesus but their own fanaticism would not allow it. Finally, Peter tries to acquit the people on the grounds of their ignorance that Jesus was actually the Christ but they will still have to make amends that their sin be wiped out.

SECOND READING from the first letter of John (*Ch.2, vv.1-5*)

We can't live the life of Christ if we go on sinning, as usual. John is determined to eradicate sin from the community. Incredibly Christ has taken away the sins of the whole world. God takes away our sins so that we may know Him. Sin is a total block to knowing and loving God. But if we keep his commandments then we come to know God, and God is not deceived by false "lovers".

GOSPEL according to Luke (*Ch.24, vv.35-48*)

Today we have Luke's version of what took place last week when Jesus breathed upon His apostles, giving them the Holy Spirit. Luke's and John's writing are often very close. Here Jesus shows the apostles His hands and his feet but there is no 'doubting Thomas'. The Jesus opens up to the passages of the ancient scriptures which were about himself. This would be the most convincing way of eliciting faith in Him, if they could see and understand that the Christ was spoken of in the scripture and that He, Jesus, had fulfilled the prophecies..