

**THE PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF
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SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER



“Anyone who loves me will keep my word.” *Jn.14.*

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Sat.May 24 **Mass of the 4th.Sun. K’ton. 6.00**
(int: Pope Leo XIV)

Sun 25 6th.SUNDAY of EASTER,
Mass- Weobley.10.30Z

(int. Eliabeth Mary Snead-Cox)

Mon 26 NO Mass, feria M.P.9.40Z

Tue. 27 Mass, Weob.10.00Z– feria M.P.9.40Z

Wed 28 NO Mass feria M.P.9.40Z

Thur. 29 LORD’S ASCENSION (Hol.obl.)
Masses: Kington 12.00, Weobley 4.00
Morning prayer 9.40Z

Fri 30 Mass, Weob. 4.00 feria Novena 9.40Z

Sat. 31 Mass of Sun. 6.00pm. K’ton Nov.9.40

Sun. Jun.01 7th. SUNDAY of EASTER
Mass, Weobley 10.30.

URGENT PRAYERS.

For permanent peace between India and Pakistan.
For the immediate release of remaining Israeli hostages. That hat the political leaders of Israel and members of Hamas will begin to obey God’s fifth commandment: “Thou shalt not kill”. For the survival of Gaza and the native Palestinians and that these peoples may have freedom and the right to decide their own future,
That our young people will be drawn away from the cult of knife-crime.

For Prince William and Princess Kate in their initiatives for the homeless and the deprived of our country.

PARISH INTENTIONS

For those in our parish or known to us who are sick or in need of special prayers: John & Vicky Tanner, Graham Vaughan, Melita Denaro, Vivian Brooke, Sheila Mundy, Claire Burrows, Sarah Murkin, Roger Nichols, Bill Davies, Gaytree Wrigley, Kath Morgan, Tess Gazarolli..

For parishioners, relatives and friends recently dead: Pope Francis, Bishop Mark Jabale, Justin Neill, Brian Holley..

We remember those of our parish whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joan Morris (S.’79), Elaine Elizabeth Jones (Th. 2002),

For King Charles III and Queen Camilla. May they always set the highest standards of leadership for our country. **We also pray for our 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 and USA leadership.**

PENTECOST NOVENA – NINE DAYS OF SPECIAL PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRT, FROM ASCENSION THURSDAY MAY 29TH – FRIDAY JUNE 5TH. MORNINGS @ 09:30 am via Zoom ID 768 558 1521. Passcode: 1rZ7LU

COMMEMORATION OF THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF NICEA IN 325 WHEN THE CHURCH’S DOCTRINE ON THE TRINITY WAS ESTABLISHED.

Ecumenical celebration in Hereford Cathedral. Archbishop Mark of Cardiff-Menevia will preach and Bishop John of Hereford will lead the prayers.
Thursday June 12th. 5.30pm.

“How do they know it is true?”

Talk by Dr. Kieran Moriarty on the miracle healing of John Traynor, a Liverpool docker, at Lourdes.
Thurs. June 5th. 7.00pm SFX,

SERMONETTE – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.

FIRST READING from the Acts of the Apostles (Ch.15 vv.1-2 +15-29)

Today we find that Paul and Barnabas have returned from their second missionary journey and are reporting back to the body of the apostles in Antioch in Syria where they are now gathered. Some Pharisee members of the church have heard that Paul and Barnabas have been preaching that circumcision is unnecessary to gentile converts. They are outraged and take the matter to Peter and James and the rest of the community in Jerusalem. They call a meeting, later known as the Council of Jerusalem because it was the very first council of the church, like the more recent councils: Nicea, Constantinople, Trent, Vatican I and Vatican II and others. These were all called at critical moments when the church seemed unable to move forward due to internal dissent or external threat. Today, we see that the body of the apostles debated the matter, not without some heat, and came to the conclusion that Paul and Barnabas were right. Dramatically, from this moment, the Church began to grow to all parts of the known world.

SECOND READING from the Book of Revelation (Apocalypse) (Ch.21)

John continues with his vision of the heavenly Jerusalem. It is splendid and irradiant in every way but, strangely, it has no temple. This is because its temple is the Lamb of God who shines out and gives it light.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John (Ch.14, vv23-29)

This is a continuation of Jesus' Last Supper discourse, of His treatise on brotherly and sisterly love. Mutual love is the basic measure of all worth and all goodness. And this love is expressed in terms of peace between all people, men and women. This is Jesus' supreme teaching before he goes away. This is how we are to be known as followers of Jesus, by the love and peace between us and all men and women.

STOP PRESS: Coming up.

DAILY PRAYER HAS NOW STARTED. PLEASE COME AND JOIN US. Many of you now have ipads. These afford us a great new opportunity in a rural parish to carry out the wishes of Vatican II, that the faithful should join together for daily prayer of the Church. For those wishing to join, please download a programme called 'UNIVERSALIS'. There you will find the complete prayer of every day and the Mass texts for that day. So far, it has gone reasonably well, though 2 different versions of 'Universalis' seem to be in operation. **Check the Newsletter for days, times and changes.**

STRAWBERRY TEA. Sunday June 22nd. 2.30-5.00. Please start collecting bottles for the bottle-stall and raffle prizes. This is a fund-raising event for the parish. Tickets will be on sale at our churches during June.

GATES: UNFORTUNATELY I HAVE DECIDED TO CLOSE THE CAR-PARK GATES AT NIGHT, ESPECIALLY ON WEEKENDS. THIS IS BECAUSE CERTAIN PERSONS OF A PERAMBULANT DISPOSITION ARE TAKING IT UPON THEMSELVES TO CAMP DOWN ON APPARENTLY VACANT PROPERTIES. SORRY FOR THE INCONVENIENCE: I HOPE IT WON'T LAST LONG. *Fr. Simon*

Red boxes to Andy by the end of June, please.