



**THE PARISH OF ST. THOMAS MORE, KIDLINGTON
& ST. HUGH OF LINCOLN, WOODSTOCK**

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27th July – 18th August 2024 17th, 18th & 19th Sundays in Ordinary Time Year B Psalter Weeks OT 1, 2 & 3

On Human Dignity - We received from the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, a Declaration on Human Dignity "Dignitas Infinita." The Declaration was personally confirmed by Pope Francis on 25 March and addresses a wide range of present challenges from poverty to euthanasia to gender theory and surrogacy. [Click here.](#)

THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES "Intricately Woven by The Lord: A Pastoral Reflection on Gender." Among the challenges highlighted in the Holy See's declaration on human dignity is the ideology of gender. At the Easter meeting of the Bishops' Conference at Buckfast Abbey, the Bishops of England and Wales approved a document providing pastoral guidance on these questions concerning gender and identity in the light of Christian anthropology. This important pastoral document is offered to accompany all Catholics, especially parents and families, seeking to guide their children and pass on the truth regarding the human person; to accompany those who struggle with their identity as male and female and to accompany fellow Christians, people of other religions and all people of good will, who often question the diverse and confusing views that are being put forward about the human person, gender and sex, in the educational, medical, legal and political fields. The full document and an executive summary which may be helpful for wider circulation is available [click here.](#)

The Retiring collection weekends: 27/28th July, 3rd/4th August, 10th /11th August, 17th /18th August, 24th /25th August, 31st Aug./ 1st Sept. All towards Parish Debt

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance And the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Anastasia Hargreaves-Hand : sg.stthomasmore.kidlington@rcaob.org.uk.** They can be contacted at: [safeguarding email address] or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

ST THOMAS MORE, KIDLINGTON & St HUGH WOODSTOCK

Seventeenth Sunday in OT Yr B, Week 1, Yr II- Psalter OT Week 1

Sunday 11am Mass is live interactive & streamed masses via zoom (Z) & YouTube join using the parish website, Catholic Parish of Kidlington (K) & Woodstock (W)

SATURDAY 27th July	Sunday Vigil St Thomas More Kidlington (K)	6.00 pm	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	2 Kings 4:42-44 Ps 144 Ephesians 4:1-6 John 6:1-15
SUNDAY 28th July 2024	17th Sunday in OT. Yr B St Hugh's Woodstock (W) ----- St Thomas More Kidlington(K) <i>Zoomed & public attendance</i>	9.30am ----- 11 am	Day for Grand parents & Elderly <i>Intentions of the Parish</i> ----- <i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	
TUESDAY 30th July	Feria OT (K)	11am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>	Jeremiah 14:17-22, Ps 78, Matthew 13: 36-43
WEDNES 31st July	Mem. St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (W)	11 am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>	Jeremiah 15:10,16-21, Ps 58, Matt 13:44-46
THURSDAY 1st August	Mem. St Alphonsus Mary de' Liguori, Bishop, Doc of church (K)	11am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>	Jeremiah 18:1-6, Ps 145, matt 13:47-53

Pope's Prayer Intention for August: For political leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs

SATURDAY 3rd August	Sunday Vigil St Thomas More Kidlington (K)	6.00 pm	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 Ps 77 Ephesians 4:17,20-24 John 6:24-35
SUNDAY 4th August 2024	18th Sunday in OT Yr B St Hugh's Woodstock (W) ----- St Thomas More Kidlington(K) <i>Zoomed & public attendance</i>	9.30 am -- 11am	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i> ----- <i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	



SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP

The next monthly meeting will be held on the **Mondays 2024**; 9th Sept., 14th Octo., 11th Nov., and 9th Dec., at 2pm St Thomas More Church Hall. **Sr Christina** the spiritual director. All are welcome. For more information please contact Jane Lemon

Janemcgrathlemon@gmail.com

Contemplative Prayer Circle

Next dates are 15th August. 6.15 pm Parish Hall. ~ **Kathleen Kelly**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

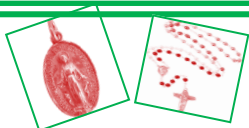
Catherine Elford (McCann), Eileen Groom, Rebecca Lambert, Kit Murphy, Mary Couchman, Anne Howard, June O'Leary, Tracy Richards, Christopher Browne, Neil Greenwood, Joyce Franklin, Sheila Cooper, Geoff Boorman, Veryan Boorman, Mary Sheehan, Sandra Lenagan, Debbie, Martha, and Mary Laina.

~*Kindly help to keep this list updated*

- Archdiocesan news [click here](#), events [click here](#)
- Catholic Bishop's conference latest [click here](#)
- Vatican news [click here](#),
- For Youth [Kenelm Youth Trust](#), Justice Peace [click here](#), Responding to the call of creation [click here](#)
- Year of Prayer [click here](#) Pope Francis on prayer [click here](#)
- The Validity - celebration of the sacraments [click here](#)

Piety Shop is now open for your card, medals, gifts etc.

Please show your support and appreciation! ~ **Eileen Perkins & Milagros Ponte**



ST THOMAS MORE, KIDLINGTON & St HUGH WOODSTOCK

Eighteenth & Nineteenth Sundays in OT Yr B, Weeks 2&3, Yr II - Psalter OT Week , Weeks 2&3

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TUESDAY 6th August	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (K)	11 am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>	Dan 7:9-10,13-14 or 2 Peter 1:16-19, Ps 96 Mark 9:2-10
WEDNES 7th August	Feria OT (W)	11 am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>	Jeremiah.31:1-7. Jer 31; Matt 15:21-28
THURSDAY 8th August	Mem. St Dominic, Priest (K)	9.30 am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>	Jeremiah 31:31-34, Ps 50, Matt 16:13-23
FRIDAY 9th August	<i>Feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) Virgin, Martyre (K)</i>	11 am	<i>Patron of Europe</i> Holy Mass - Adoration & Bene.	Hosea 2:16-17,21-22, Ps 44, Matt 25:1-13
SATURDAY 10th August	Sunday Vigil St Thomas More Kidlington (K)	6.00 pm	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	1 Kings 19:4-8
SUNDAY 11th August 2024	19th Sunday in OT. Yr B St Hugh's Woodstock (W) ----- St Thomas More Kidlington(K) <i>Zoomed & public attendance</i>	9.30am ---- 11 am	<i>Emery Family</i> (Liz Woodward) -----	Ps 33 Ephesians 4:30-5:2 John 6:41-51
MONDAY 12th August	Feria OT (K)	9.30 am	<i>RIP Joan Agnes Copeland</i>	Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28, Ps 148, Matt 17:22-27
TUESDAY 13th August	Feria OT (K)	7pm	<i>RIP Joan Agnes Copeland</i>	Ezekiel 2:8-3:4, Ps 118, Matt 18:1-5,10,12-14
WEDNES 14th August	Memorial St Maximilian Mary Kolbe Priest, Martyr (W)	11 am	Adoration & Benediction 12noon	Ezekiel 9:1-7,10:18-22, Ps 112, Matt 18:15-20
THURSDAY 15th August	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	11am^{Am} 7pm	Holy Mass in Church Holy Day of Obligation	Apoc 11:19;12:1-6,10, Ps44 , 1Cor 15:20-26, Luke 1:39-56
FRIDAY 16th August	Feria OT (K)	11 am	<i>RIP Joan Agnes Copeland</i>	Ezekiel 16:1-15,60-63, Is 12, Matt 19:3-12
SATURDAY 17th August	Sunday Vigil St Thomas More Kidlington (K)	6.00 pm	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	Proverbs 9:1-6
SUNDAY 18th August 2024 Novena	20th Sunday in OT. Yr B St Hugh's Woodstock (W) ----- St Thomas More Kidlington(K) <i>Zoomed & public attendance</i>	9.30am ---- 11 am	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i> ----- <i>Intentions of the Parish</i>	Ps 33 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi begins Sunday 18th—26th August



Give a hand to weed the church premises, and water the plants if and when you see it needs attention. You can let Marik Dimech know and give a hand in Kidlington. For Woodstock give a shout to Sandra or Christine Gadsby and give a hand to maintain the gardens. It will very much



Please email your news items to Fr Prem by two weeks on Wednesday

This Newsletter is for the parishioners and friends of the parish. It is for the intended circulation.

Feel free to take it with you and share it with others especially the sick and the homebound.

THE IV WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY - Sunday 28 July 2024 “Do not cast me off in my old age” (cf. Ps 71:9) By Sr. Francine-Marie Cooper, ISSM

“Do not cast me off in my old age” (cf. Ps 71:9): This sincere plea, taken from Psalm 71, is the theme of the Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place on 28 July 2024.

Pope Francis chose the Theme for the Day, which is organised by the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life.

In his Message for the Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Francis reassured the addressees that “God never abandons His children, never.”

He referred to the elderly as “the firm foundation” on which “new” stones can rest, in order to join in erecting a spiritual edifice (cf. 1 Peter 2:5).” [click here to continue reading](#)



MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS [click here](#)

KENELM YOUTH TRUST - Flame Saturday 15th March 2025 Flame is a Catholic Congress (for those 14 and over) held in London at the Wembley Arena. The event consists of a concert with praise and worship, and talks from many different people. Catholics from all over the country head to Flame every year, so why not sign up to come with Kenelm? Booking through Kenelm means a good rate on passes, return coach travel and our insurance all for £49pp. Tickets are selling fast so a deposit of £10pp will need to be paid to secure your passes. Follow us and keep an eye out for information on social media.

YOUTH 2000 - Youth 2000 provides retreats, formation and opportunities for young adults aged 18-35 to encounter Jesus in the Heart of the Catholic Church. Over the last 30 years, Youth 2000 has played an important role in the Catholic Church in the United Kingdom and has reached over 30,000 young people and impacted hundreds of vocations to married life, the priesthood and Religious life.

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place this year in the beautiful grounds of Ampleforth Abbey from 23-26 August. More information on this gathering and all of Youth 2000 events are available at <https://www.youth2000.org/events> and I would ask you to share this information with anyone you think would be interested and might benefit from participating.



WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHOSE DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR DURING THIS TIME

Judith McNeale, Sally Steepe, Janice Bonasera, Connie Crooks, Tom Goughley, Rosemary Brown, Peggy Sulik, Mary Eames, Amelia Reeve, Mary Tulley, Ellen Beddard, William Russell, Hannah Hartnett, Helen Matthewman, Thomas Gaul, Harold Pollard, Jack Shaw, Rose O'Neill, Thomas Barron, Karen Bublely, Jim Togstead, William Blacoe, Thelma Barron, Thomas Robinson, Ray Hazell, Ellen Steen, Bill Farrell, Martin McCormack, Patricia Chue-Sang, Richard Foley, Baby Maia Guiste, Martin Kelly, Mary Wyse, Catherine Kelly, Thomas Kelly, Claire Hawes, Esther Brumby and David Rahill

~ Eternal rest grant unto to them O' Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen

CAFOD Initiatives and Resources —The Year of Jubilee

This, themed ‘Pilgrims of Hope’ will be taking place in 2025. Jubilee Years have a large focus on the restoration of a just society, liberty from oppression and debt and rest for creation. We would love to help your parish celebrate the Jubilee. We will have some reflection booklets which groups or individuals can use to learn more about the Jubilee year and discuss, reflect and pray. These can be used at any point during the year and will be free. We will also be offering training to people who would like to lead these sessions in their parish. The resources will be available from the October this year. In the meantime, do see our [Year of Jubilee webpage](#).

Catholic Social Teaching

We have some all age, colourful posters on [Catholic Social Teaching](#) in case you would like any for your parish noticeboards or elsewhere. They are free to order here.