



Cirencester Foodbank is very much in need of donations. We can't leave donations at the back of the church, **SO** there are a number of other options available. Send a cheque payable to Cirencester Foodbank, Cirencester Baptist church, Chesterton Lane, Cirencester, GL71YE. Donate online or leave donations of food at Tesco Extra, Tesco Tetbury or Waitrose supermarkets

Requirements for Opening WE HAVE TO HAVE AT LEAST 2 STEWARDS FOR EACH MASS AND CLEANERS AFTERWARDS. WE ALL NEED TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF OUR CHURCH. WE NEED DIFFERENT VOLUNTEERS FOR EACH OCCASION, AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. YOU WILL NEED TO BRING A MASK AND LEAVE A NAME AND PHONE NUMBER AS PART OF THE "TRACK AND TRACE" REQUIREMENTS



Parish Census Forms Thank you to all those who have submitted their 'Parish Census Form' it is much appreciated. We ask those who have not returned their form to do so within the next seven days. Due to GDPR, if we do not, received them, you will no longer be able to receive any notifications from the parishes including our weekly newsletter. Thank you Fr Philip

October Second Collections: Please see below advance notice of the collections that the Diocese have requested we contribute to:

4th October 2020: Peter's Pence

11th October 2020: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

Parish Office the Parish Offices will remain closed to the public: BUT any queries can be made by email, which will continue to be answered. There will be someone to answer the phone in person on a Friday morning only in St Peter's. Our contact details are below. *If you need a priest urgently, please phone St Peter's Church on 01285 652087*

Thank You We are grateful to learn of the admission to hospital of parishioners and even more pleased when they come home. Chaplaincy arrangements should be made with the Hospital Switchboard first of all. We are glad to note that Theresa Triggs is back from shoulder surgery.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS NEED TO BE WITH US BY NOON ON WEDNESDAYS

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SUNDAY XXV 'THROUGH THE YEAR' (YEAR A)

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sat 19th Sept 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's

Sun 20th Sept. **9.00am Mass & Holy Baptism of Eliza Oxenham-Jones in St Michael's**

11.00am Mass in St Peter's (The Peoples of the Parishes)

WEEKDAY WORSHIP [Week XXV Year 2 readings]

Mon 21st Sept. ST MATTHEW, Apostle and Evangelist (FEAST)

No Public Mass

Tues 22nd Sept. Feria

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Traditional Latin Mass 6.00pm in St Peter's

Wed 23rd Sept. St Pius of Pietrelcina

10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thu.24th Sept Our Lady of Walsingham – The Shrine of England's Nazareth

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Fri. 25th Sept. Feria

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Noon Traditional Latin Mass in St Peter's

Sat. 26th Sept. Saints, Cosmas and Damian

10.00am Mass in St Michael's

NEXT WEEK - SUNDAY XXVI 'THROUGH THE YEAR' (YEAR A)

Sat 26th Sept 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's

Sun 27th Sept. 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (The Peoples of the Parishes)

11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Norah Rowles RIP)

CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AT PRESENT

We welcome today Eliza to the Family of God, when she receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during our St Michael's 9.00am Mass

Because of That Virus, the following measures have been put in place: -

- **No baskets are passed around at the Offertory, but are at the back of the church to put your offering and charity donations on leaving the church**
- **No hymn books, Mass cards etc. at present. Use a bulletin and take it home!!!!**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION & UNDERSTANDING AND WE WISH YOU A HAPPY AND HOLY SUNDAY

We intercede: -

- For the Church; that her teaching about God's kingdom, to which she leads everyone, may be simple and direct, touching people's hearts and minds.
- For Eliza and her family as she receives the Sacrament of Baptism; that her family will lead by example in the Catholic Faith.
- For those who are sick; that Christ, Who conquered sin and death, may comfort and strengthen them in their illness.
- For each one of us; that we will be given the grace to accept and carry our cross.
- For the clergy and people of Taunton, Wellington with Wiveliscombe, that they may pursue prayer, communion and mission in equal measure.
- For those who have died; that the light of the Lord's resurrection may shine upon them, in the glory and happiness of heaven.



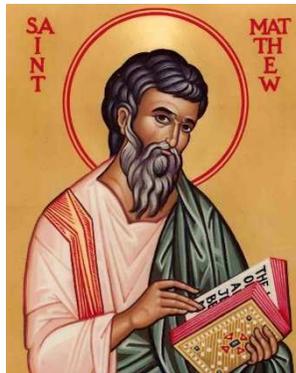
Act of Spiritual Communion Lord Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things, and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul. Since I do not now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul, so that I may unite myself wholly to You, now and forever. Amen.



Thought of the Week Until we get to heaven and ask the four of them, we can only guess which of the Gospels were written first. There are many theories, some more plausible than others. I quite like the theory that John was started first, but finished last, when John was old and living on the island of Patmos. Some ancient commentators thought Matthew had written first. The general view today is that Mark wrote first and that Matthew and Luke wrote their gospels with a copy of Mark in front of them, plus a shared collection of the Lord's

sayings, known as Q. Both Matthew and Luke are believed to have had unique sources of their own as well. We shall ask the four of them in heaven, when we arrive!!

The bit that most folk forget is that Gospels are not written as historical documentaries or like a policeman's accurate note book. They are written by people of faith to arouse faith in others. This means that they are theological and prayerful first of all, even though they do contain lots of facts. People had been praying and telling these stories by word of mouth for at least 30 years, before they were written down. We need to read them or listen to the Gospels from the point of view of faith, theology and prayer.



MASS TEXTS

Entrance Antiphon I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Gloria Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise You, we bless You, we adore You, we glorify you, we give You thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us: You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer: You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most-High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is close to all who call him.

Second Reading

Philippians 1:20-24,27

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

Gospel Reflection

Our gospel is not about employment, pay and conditions. The story concerns the various stages in life at which people find salvation. Are they to be given less because they came later than others? Surely not. Christ is generous, giving total salvation even to the death bed conversion. The other point is the way those who bore the heat of the day grumbled about those who came later. We can hear folks boasting of being "cradle Catholics", as if that made them better than converts. Our Lady and the Apostles were all converts!!

Apostles Creed I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come and judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.