



# A WARM WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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## Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle Year B, Weekday Cycle Year 2, Psalter Week 1

Date	Mass Times	Celebrations	Intentions
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July</b>	6:30pm ( <i>Saturday</i> ) 8:30am ( <i>Painswick</i> ) 10:00am	<b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Eddie Judge People of the Parishes Theo Soares R.I.P.
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July</b>	10:00am ( <i>Stonehouse</i> )	Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus	Michael Nolan
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July</b>	6:00pm	Weekday	Harry Edmond & Nellie Trinder
<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July</b>	10:00am 10:45am	Saint Ignatius Loyola  <i>Holy Hour</i>	JJ McGloughlin
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August</b>	2:00pm	<b>Mass with Sacrament of the Sick</b>	Sick and Housebound
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August</b>	9:30am ( <i>Woodchester</i> )	Weekday	Special Intention
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August</b>		Weekday	
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August</b>	6:30pm ( <i>Saturday</i> ) 8:30am ( <i>Painswick</i> ) 10:00am	<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Helen Hursthouse R.I.P. People of the Parishes Maura

*There is Mass at More Hall Convent on Sundays at 11:00am and Weekdays at 8:15am*

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** We pray for the parish of Holy Cross, Bristol.

We pray for all those within our parish and their intentions including: the communities at the Monastery of Our Lady and Saint Bernard, Brownhill and More Hall, Randwick; and all those connected with our schools.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August 2024** is 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.

**We continue to pray for peace in the world**, including the situations in the Middle East and Ukraine. Donations for the Cafod Appeals can be made online: for the Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at; and for the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal at <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>.

**YOUR PRAYERS** are asked for those who are housebound, in nursing homes, in hospital or sick including:

Caroline Sellick, Mikaela Hunter, Paddi Spruyt, Naomi King, Maggie Ind, Stephen Hassall, Conrad Newman, Jo Curtan, Mary Paul, Virginia Couchman, Edward Johnson, Janet Strong, Maria Capicotto, Sarah Williams, Gisele Smart, Gerardo Capaldo, Clare McDermott, Pat King, June & John Privett, Olivia Bouzyk, Raphael Moore, Ursula Kyne, Brian O'Donoghue, Lisa Knight, Francis Kerrigan, Monika Smit, Rebecca Frazier, Joan O'Donoghue, Peter Ollis, Anne Allen, Sister Catherine, Daryl Jackson, Grace Harper, Jamie Watt, Peter Tay, Ann Enright, Janie Wilmot, Kevin Sivell, Niall Walker, Murray Dolan, Cecilia Redgrave, Christopher & Clifford Browne, Victor Vincent, Stephen Carden, John Stephens, Phyllis Bruton, Marilyn Anderson, Chris Strong, Kate Thorley, Amanda Mullins, Paul O'Keith, Simon Terry, Anna Dowdeswell, Stephen & Paul Coupe, Anthea Van Venroy, Maisie McGinley and all their carers.

**To add a name to this list please contact the parish office – please ensure you have the agreement of the sick person.**

**Pastoral Letter:** Bishop Bosco has issued his first pastoral letter for this weekend. There are copies available in our churches.

**World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** is this Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July, following on from Friday's celebration of the grandparents of Jesus, Saints Joaquim and Anne. Please visit webpage <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/nonni/documents/20240425-messaggio-nonni-anziani.html> for message from Pope Francis for this day.

**Mass with Sacrament of the Sick**, organised by the new SVP group for our three parishes, in our parish church this Thursday at 2:00pm followed by afternoon tea in the parish hall. If you would like to attend, or know anyone who would like to, please speak with a member of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) or contact the conference secretary, Marilynne Morgan, who can be contacted via [SVP@catholicweb.org.uk](mailto:SVP@catholicweb.org.uk) or at the parish office in Stroud (01453 762442). The SVP will be able to arrange transport.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation and Sacrament of the Sick:** Father Gary is happy to celebrate these sacraments on request or by appointment.

**Welcoming Lunch** at Saint Joseph's, Stonehouse on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August at 12:00 noon. All are welcome.

**Rosy Savory** is retiring this summer as headteacher of our Rosary Primary School after 17 years. We thank her for her contribution to the school and parish and wish her a happy retirement. Jenny Knighton will be the sole headteacher in September.

**Quiet Days at Brownhill Monastery:** We are invited to a quiet day (10:30am – 5:30pm) at the monastery. These days are an opportunity to reflect, pray and simply be with God. A Sister will give some input at 11:00am. Those attending are welcome to join the Divine Office (prayer of the Church) and to use the Chapel, sitting rooms and garden. The suggested offering for a quiet day is £20 (packed lunch) or £30 (including cooked lunch). Dates: 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 24<sup>th</sup> October, 22<sup>nd</sup> November and 12<sup>th</sup> December. For more information please visit <https://www.bernardine.org/brownhill-programme> or email [brownhillbookings@bernardine.org](mailto:brownhillbookings@bernardine.org).

**New Lectionary:** The Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has confirmed the approval by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales for the new Lectionary, and it is due to come into use in all parishes in England and Wales from Advent 2024. There will be preparation over the coming months preparing for this important event in our ecclesial life. The English Standard Version of the Bible will be used for the readings (instead of the Jerusalem Bible) and the Abbey version of the Psalms (rather than the Grail version used at present). New Lectionaries and Gospel books are being produced, along with people's missals. Sunday Missals are unlikely to be available until shortly before Advent. They will be able to be purchased through our parishes.

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