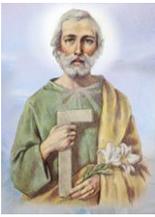




# ST NICHOLAS' WINCHCOMBE

WITH SAINT THOMAS MORE PARISH, CHELTENHAM  
AND SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH TEWKESBURY



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## SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

[Year C] Psalter 2 Proper of Season

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January St Thomas More Confession 4.30pm  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> [Vigil] Mass 5.00pm  
[Patrick Connor RIP]

St Joseph's Mass 9.00am  
[Jimmy & Margaret Doran and family RIP]

St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Weekday of Christmas Time  
St Nicholas' Rosary 7.00pm

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Weekday of Christmas Time  
St Thomas More Exposition 5.30pm  
Mass 6.00pm  
[Mo Chabot RIP]

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> SYNOD MEETINGS COMMENCE  
ST JOSEPH'S TEWKESBURY 5.30pm  
Vigil Mass of Epiphany  
St Joseph's 7.00pm

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY  
OF THE LORD  
St Nicholas' Mass 10.00am  
  
St Thomas More Mass 5.00pm

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> FRIDAY AFTER EPIPHANY No Mass

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
St Thomas More  
Confession 4.30pm  
Vigil Mass of Sunday 5.00pm

## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

[Proper of the Feast]

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> St Joseph's Confession 8.45am  
Mass 9.00am

St Nicholas' Mass 11.00am  
Double Baptism  
[Walter William and Edgard George Donoghue]

Entrance Antiphon When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne.

Responsorial Psalm

The Word was made flesh and lived among us.

Gospel Acclamation **Alleluia, alleluia!** Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans; Glory be to you, O Christ, believed in by the world. **Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon

To all who would accept him, he gave the power to become children of God.

First Reading [Ecclesiasticus 24: 1-2, 8-12]

Wisdom has taken root in God's people

Second Reading [Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18]

We have been chosen to live through love in God's presence as God's adopted children

Gospel [John 1: 1-18]

The Word was made flesh and lived among us



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How do we journey together through life? What steps is God prompting us to take on this journey?

**Pope Francis asks each of us to take part to listen** – to God and to one another – **and to share what we hear**. The fruits of our conversations will serve to guide the Synod of Bishops in 2023.

We want to give every parishioner the chance to be heard, so we are offering a combination of group sessions (restrictions permitting), online sessions and individual conversations.

**Group sessions** are on Thursday mornings after Mass (10:30-12 noon) on 20th and 27th January and 3rd February. **Online dates** will be published next week. If there is sufficient demand there will be a **Saturday morning session** on 29th January

## THE SYNOD



**HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION** This week we are obliged to attend Mass to celebrate the Epiphany and the readings are in our parish missal, page 115. The Church recognises that many are still anxious about the pandemic and attending in person but our church is as safe as it could possibly be, thanks to our wonderful team of volunteers.

**OUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** Please pray for our sick and those carrying heavy burdens. Anniversaries occurring this month: Alan Collett, Michael Rafferty, Olwen Askew, Elizabeth Martin, Patrick Andrew, Michael Sanger, Anne Northover, Janet Woolnough, Alfred Finch, Edna Guest and Iris and Sean Mayo

### LITURGICAL DIARIES - A USEFUL NEW YEAR GIFT

These are still on sale, priced at just £6.50. They contain a wealth of interesting information and our parish has already been charged for them directly by the Diocese who arrange the printing. We would like to recoup the costs as far as possible. Please hand payments to Peter Massey, our Treasurer.

**200 CLUB +** Anyone who is currently not a member of the parish 200 Club is asked to consider joining. This is a fun way to support the parish and raise much needed funds for the considerable amount of building work that still remains to be done on our presbytery during 2022. Please speak to our Treasurer Peter Massey or request an application form from the parish office via the email address overleaf

### SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

### ADMINISTRATOR ON LEAVE +

Chris Davies will be on leave for week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January. Please leave messages for the newsletter etc on the answerphone at Tewkesbury or email the parish office