

**MASS TIMES:** Bourton (B) Stow (S)

**SUNDAY 28th JULY: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

Saturday evening 27th July: **Vigil Mass 6 pm (B)**, with hymns.

Sunday morning 28th July. **9 am Mass (S) with hymns and music. (Dom G. Murray setting).** Intention: **Repose of the soul of Clare Goodwin.** Second collection both Masses: Bishop's Charitable Fund.

Mon. 29th: St. Martha. **9 am (S)**

Tue. 30th: St. Peter Chrysologus **(B) 9 am.**  
**PLEASE NOTE EARLIER TIME.**

Wed. 31<sup>st</sup>: St. Ignatius Loyola. **9 am (S)**

Thur. 1<sup>st</sup> August: St. Alphonsus Mary Liguori **(B) 10 am**

Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Weekday in OT: St. Eusebius of Vercelli. **(S) 9 am.**

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup>. No Mass on Saturday morning, as usual.

Confessions after any Mass or by appointment.

**LAST WEEK'S COUNT:** Bourton: £64.69; Stow: £237.91 Apostleship of the Sea: £20.00; Other: £20.07; **Total £342.67** We need one more 'money counter' please. Please speak either to David Goodwin, Bob Hadley, or Andrew Gorzynski.

**NEXT SATURDAY SUNDAY 3/4<sup>th</sup> August:**

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. **VIGIL MASS 6 pm** Bourton on the Water, with hymns.

**SUNDAY MASS 9 am** Stow. With hymns and music. (Belmont setting). Lammastide.

**NOTICE BOARD**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August; Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 7 pm Mass with hymns and music at Stow,** followed by 'Open House' at Presbytery. (See note next column).

**Sun 18<sup>th</sup> August: Crowning of Our Lady at 9 am Mass (S).** 5.30 pm **Choral Evensong** (Ecumenical) at St. Mary's Church, Chastleton, GL56 0SU, followed by reception.

**Sept 4<sup>th</sup>. House Mass** at 79, Redesdale Place, Moreton. GL56 0EQ. 10.30 am

**Sept. 16-21<sup>st</sup> Fr. Stephen** accompanying a Cheltenham Pilgrimage to Lourdes for the sick.

**Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> Oct.** Harvest Festival Mass **9 am Stow**

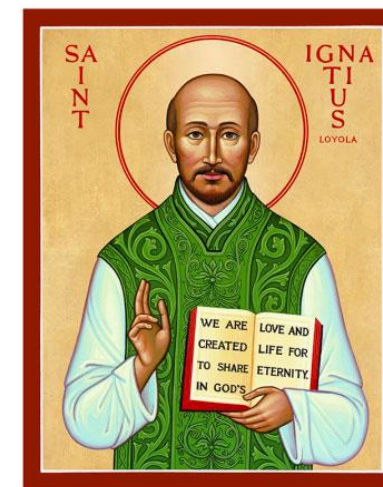
**Thur 3<sup>rd</sup> October.** Confirmation Service in Cheltenham. 7 pm.

**22-24<sup>th</sup> Oct.** Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham.

**PRAY FOR** the sick and the housebound, including: Ted Smith, Anne Shay, Susan Hayford, Lisa Dinardo and Ann Bromley, who has a hospital procedure this week.

**THE PRESBYTERY.** Parishioners are aware that I have been working with the Diocese to rationalise the accommodation in order to make it a more practical house for letting. **The garage** will be converted into a Parish office with a loo suitable for those with mobility challenges. **Planning was granted on 16<sup>th</sup> July.** The property will have an open plan kitchen-living room, a utility room, study, snug on the GF; 3 bedrooms, two bathrooms (one en suite) on the first floor. There will be two parking spaces in front of the existing garage. Access to the house will no longer be up the existing steps (which will go) but up steps westwards to a pathway into the southern elevation of the house. The top end of the garden and The Shrine will be retained for parish use and fenced off. **Financing.** The work is expensive because the internal walls of the Presbytery are solid and some will be taken away. There is also asbestos removal, new drainage and plumbing, new fittings, fees, etc. The architect has detailed estimated costings but not yet prepared a tender document. The house itself is likely to cost in the region of £90,000 including VAT; the Parish Office and WC around £47,500; the garden £6500; fees £10,170. Total: just under £155,000. The parish will provide some capital; the rest of the money will be lent to us by the diocese at 3.25% interest. It is expected that rental income will be in the region of £1500 pcm; £18,000 gross/annum. Allowing for repairs and

management, rental income should allow us to be debt free in 8 years, after which the income would come to the Parish. (We may raise money to shorten the repayment time). This is a big undertaking. **The parish Finance committee invite all parishioners to view the Presbytery,** inspect the plans, look at the cost estimates and ask questions, together with a glass of wine, **after the Assumption Mass which takes place at 7 pm on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August.** I hope that it may be possible to have someone from the Diocese Property Office with us.



St. Ignatius of Loyola, 1491-1556, founder of the Jesuits. Wounded as a soldier, converted in convalescence by reading the Life of Christ; writer of The Spiritual Exercises, Pray for us.

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