

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

**SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday evening 22nd Aug: **Vigil Mass 6 pm (B)**. INTENTION: Angela and Ted Smith and family.

Sunday morning 23rd Aug. **9 am Mass (S)**. INTENTION: Dame Sarah Goad, whose 80<sup>th</sup> birthday is today. (Fr. Stephen's eldest sister).

Mon. 24th: **9 am Mass (S)**. St. Bartholomew. Apostle. INTENTION: All who suffer discrimination or persecution because they are Christians.

Tue. 25th: **10 am Mass (B)**. St. Louis. INTENTION: The Catholic Church in France.

Wed. 26th: **9 am (S)**. Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God. INTENTION: For those who teach the Catholic faith.

Thur. 27th: St. Monica **10 am Mass (B)**. INTENTION: All Mothers.

Fri. 28<sup>th</sup>. **9 am (S), with the Baptism and Reception of Hugh O'Connell into the Church**. St. Augustine of Hippo. Bishop and Doctor of the Church. INTENTION: Hugh O'Connell

Sat. 29th. No morning Mass, as usual.

**NEXT SATURDAY SUNDAY 29/30th August: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

Saturday evening 29th Aug. **Vigil Mass 6 pm (B)**.

Sunday morning **MASS 9 am (S)**  
INTENTION: Repose of the soul of Clare Goodwin; (anniversary of her birthday).

All Sunday Masses are recorded or live streamed. The link goes out each Sunday to all who have asked to be on our email data base. If you are *not* on the data base but would like to be, please email me:

**READER'S ROTA.** Alison Eckersley writes: *The next Readers' rota runs from the week-end of 12/13<sup>th</sup> September until 12/13 December.* Please email me ([alison@roses-cottage.co.uk](mailto:alison@roses-cottage.co.uk)) or phone me (07748 720128) if you know that you will **not** be available on specific dates.

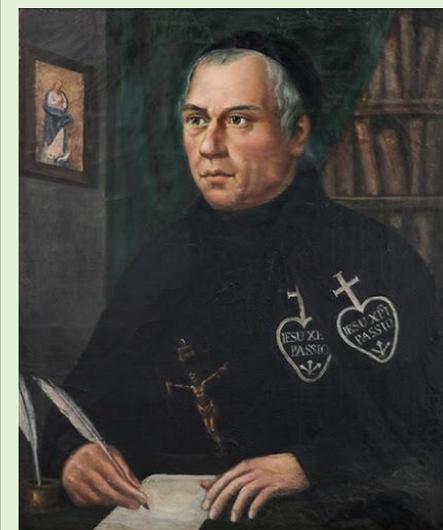
Fr. Stephen adds: Reading at Mass is a wonderful way of getting involved. If you would like to read, or even just like to talk about the possibility of reading, please speak to me or Alison. Training is easily given. **MORE READERS NEEDED!**

**BAPTISM OF HUGH O' CONNELL.** This will take place during Mass next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August. Hugh is a poet, ('The Cotswold Poet') from Bourton. (The Royal Stallion/100 horse poems; A Feast of Cotswold poems; The Biggest Bark >>

>>> **Hugh's Baptism**/contd; The Perfect Purr/102 Cat poems. Hugh worked at Jubilee Lodge, Bourton as a carer but he said that the inspiration for his poems came when he was working as a teaching advisory for special needs children in local schools. (Google his writings)

Fr. Stephen comments that catechesis with Hugh is great fun. He has digested Monsignor Gilbey's **We Believe** and **The Catechism of the Catholic Church** and, together, we have watched some new RCIA talks on Youtube **by Fr. Stephen Wang** (Catholic Chaplain at London University), which will be a great facility for our Confirmation candidates.

**CHRISTMAS DRAW A further request for prizes.** The emphasis is on prizes that are fun and/or worthwhile to win. So far, we have the following: Family ticket to **Cotswold Farm Park**; a delightful print of a signed original painting **by Charles Mosley**, (b. 1948) of a man and a woman (apparently) in a French street (fine frame); **5 hours private tuition in Italian or French; £100 in cash**; Morning on **the Gallops followed by breakfast or lunch** hospitality or a day at the races; a **Wheelbarrow of booze**. The aim is to have the tickets and a list of prizes available by the **end of October**, and we will hold the draw at a convivial social evening on the **Twelfth night of Christmas**.



**BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI**, Priest (remembered next Wed. 26<sup>th</sup> August), was an Italian, born in 1792. He joined The Passionist Order and had a vocation to work as a missionary in England. He arrived in 1841 and set up a Passionist Foundation at Aston Hall, Staffordshire. He closely followed the events of the Oxford Movement in the Church of England and went to see John Henry Newman at Littlemore, near Oxford. Newman relates in his autobiography 'Apologia pro Vita Sua' how Barberi arrived, soaked to the skin from the rain and as he was drying himself by the fire Newman knelt down and asked to be received into the Catholic Church. The rest, as they say, is history! Two of Newman's companions at Littlemore were received at the same time.

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