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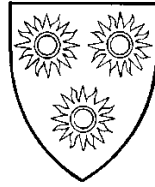
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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 20th FEBRUARY 2022

Church Cleaning: Week 2

Divine Office: Week 3

SATURDAY	EVE of the SEVENTH SUNDAY (Ordinary Time)	Mass at 6.00 pm
SUNDAY	SEVENTH SUNDAY (Ordinary Time)	Mass at 11.00 am
TUESDAY	FEAST of the CHAIR of St PETER THE APOSTLE	Mass at 10.00 am
THURSDAY	Thursday in Ordinary Time	Mass at 10.00 am
FRIDAY	Friday in Ordinary Time	Mass is Followed by Exposition until 11.00am.
SATURDAY	EVE of the EIGHTH SUNDAY (Ordinary Time)	Mass at 6.00 pm

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent

To restrict the spread of Coronavirus, the church and the government suggest that you continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces where you may come into contact with other people you do not normally meet. Please sanitise your hands on entering the Church.

SYNOD 2023: As part of the preparations for the Synod in 2023, the church wishes to listen to all parishes. You will receive some questions to consider as part of our parish's contribution to this listening exercise. There are two ways to respond to these - either in writing or by attending a meeting. There will be a box in the porch for any responses, which can be anonymous, as well as a place in the parish hall to write any responses or thoughts. There will then be an open parish meeting after Sunday Mass on 27th February in the hall which we would encourage as many people as possible to attend. In the meantime, please keep this process and those involved in your prayers. Thank you.

MOTHERS' PRAYERS: Meetings will recommence on Tuesday 22nd February 2022 at 10.30 am -11.30 am. All Mothers are welcome. Please note: Should there be Mass at 10.00 am on any Tuesday, Mothers' Prayers will follow after Mass.

THE NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH will take place from 10th - 18th March 2022 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Every year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you are able, and if it is possible to attend, Masses are on Thursday (10th) and Friday, at 7.30pm, Saturday at 10am, Sunday at 11.00am, Monday - Friday (18th) at 7.30pm. If you are unable to attend but would like to join in from home, Masses from St. Joseph's Church will be available to follow on Zoom, via the Mill Hill website: www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena. You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena prayer booklet. Please write to the Novena Director at 6 Colby Gardens, Maidenhead, SL6 7GZ, telephone **01628-676909**, or email novenamhm@gmail.com. An example booklet is on the noticeboard in the porch.

LENT COURSE 2022: Belong and Believe - how our Celtic past can help us today. This is a Catholic Faith Exploration course produced by CaFE which will take place over five weekly sessions in Lent. Wednesday evenings 7.30-9.00pm starting on Wednesday March 9th in the parish hall. Coffee and cake will be available with a short video and discussions to follow. All are welcome.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT runs from Monday 21st February to Sunday 6th March, highlighting the challenges that climate change brings to farmers in marginalised communities. The Calne Fairtrade Group are planning a number of events in Calne during and around the Fortnight, but timings are to be confirmed. Our Traidcraft stall will be at Mass at St Edmund's and also at St Michael's Church Hall, Lyneham, on Shrove Tuesday, 1st March, during the coffee morning between 10.00 am and 12 noon, when all are welcome.

DIOCESAN RECONCILIATION LITURGIES: Bishop Declan will celebrate Liturgies of Reconciliation during the Season of Lent. Local dates & venues are Thursday 17th March (St John, Bath), and **Thursday 31st March (St John, Trowbridge)** All services start at 7.00 pm. There will be priests available at each venue to celebrate sacramental reconciliation.

INVITATION TO LENT STUDY GROUP: Eleanor Bujalska is a co-leader of an ecumenical Lent Study Group, which has met weekly during Lent under the auspices of the Calne Partnership of Churches. New attendees from any church are very welcome. This Lent the group will be meeting in the Methodist church hall on Monday evenings, starting on Monday 7th March at 7.30 pm. Eleanor is planning to use the Lent material produced by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, which can be accessed online and is free. If you would like to join, or find out more, please contact her on embujalska@hotmail.com , or phone on **01249 760377**

THY KINGDOM COME 2022 LAUNCH WEBINAR – Plans for this year’s Thy Kingdom Come will be unveiled at a special launch event on 28th February at 12.00 pm. In this webinar you can learn about the range of free resources for churches, families, and individuals – all designed to spiritually nourish, deepen and refresh one’s faith. To register, visit [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

TRUSTEES FOR “LIFE”: The national pregnancy support charity Life is recruiting Trustees. It’s crucial they find the best Trustees to help more people and save more lives. They are advertising on their website; [Trustee - Life \(lifecharity.org.uk\)](#) For more information and how to apply, contact the Life, CEO at stephensharpe@lifecharity.org.uk. Closing date 28th February.

RIGHT TO LIFE UK – ASSISTED SUICIDE AMENDMENT: Right To Life UK has had a challenging and busy month, with the assisted suicide lobby attempting to hijack the Government’s Health and Care Bill and force them to lay an assisted suicide bill before Parliament within a year of the Bill passing into law. The Health and Care Bill will shortly move onto Report Stage where there is a high risk that Lord Forsyth will retable his amendment. As such, Right To Life UK is asking parishioners to sign up to their Action Alerts, so they can effectively participate in their efforts to stop this amendment passing, and others like it. You can do so by visiting the following link: www.righttolife.org.uk/#action-alerts

CALNE FOOD BANK: There is a list of food needed for Calne Food Bank on the box in the Church Porch. Please do not donate porridge, packets of cereal or pasta, at present, as we have so much it is likely to go out of date. Toiletries and cleaning materials are also very much needed. Thank you.

COMMUNION AT HOME: We are aware that there are a number of elderly and house bound parishioners who have been unable to get to Mass during the Lockdown. If they would like to have Holy Communion brought to them at home, please can they, or friends and/or family please contact Father Vincent who will arrange for a Minister of the Eucharist to visit and bring Communion. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: The deadline for submissions is before Wednesday. Contact details; please email calne.stedmund@cliftondiocese.com , or speak to Fr Vincent. Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including Florence Bampton, Teresa Bowyer, Christopher & Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Mary O’Brian, Margaret O’Dea, Elizabeth Wilkins, Heather Smith, Ann and John Cripwell, Marie Sawyer. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.
