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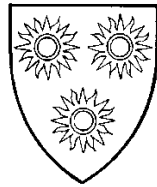
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TWENTIETH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – 20th AUGUST 2023

Church Cleaning: Week 4

Divine Office: PSALTER 4

SATURDAY	EVE of the TWENTIETH SUNDAY		Mass at 6.00 pm
		St Anthony of Padua, Melksham	Mass at 10.00 am
SUNDAY	TWENTIETH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME		Mass at 11.00 am
TUESDAY	Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary		Mass at 10.00am
		Mass intention Christopher Browne	
WEDNESDAY	Weekday Ordinary Time	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham,	Mass at 10.00 am
THURSDAY		NO MASS	
		St Anthony of Padua – Requiem Mass Mrs Linda Ross at 2.00 pm	
FRIDAY	Weekday Ordinary Time		Mass at 10.00 am
SATURDAY	EVE of the TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY		Mass at 6.00 pm
		St Anthony of Padua, Melksham	Mass at 10.00 am

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent

To restrict the spread of virus, you may wish to continue to wear a face covering. Please sanitise your hands on entering the Church.

THURSDAY 24th AUGUST - Please note; no Mass at St Edmund's today.

SAVE THE DATE: The St Edmund's and Harbour Project Concert: NOTES OF HOPE: A concert celebrating talent and diversity on 29th September in St Edmund's Church, Calne with a superb line-up of performers from Calne and across the world in aid of The Harbour Project and Calne Welfare Charities. Tickets £12.50 (£5 for under 18s) available online or after Mass. Tickets include drinks and refreshments. For further information, please email victoria@cadenham.com.

CONFIRMATIONS 2024: We hoping to have confirmations in 2024 if we have sufficient numbers. If you are interested in being confirmed, you are invited to write to Fr Vincent to express your interest. Please note letters must come from candidates, not parents or guardians, please.

NEW PARISHIONERS are asked to please complete a registration form (available in the porch) and hand to Fr Vincent. If you have never filled in a form, please take one for completion and return to Fr Vincent.

DON'T FORGET THE HOLY SPIRIT: We have some more copies of Fr Matt Anscombe's book "Don't forget the Holy Spirit," available for £10.50 each.

You are invited to come and pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit, followed by testimony, teaching, discussion and prayer with Fr Matt Anscombe. The dates around the diocese are:

Friday 8th September, 7.00 pm, starting with Mass, at Immaculate Conception, Stroud

Friday 22nd September, 7.00 pm, starting with Mass, at St Augustine, Bristol

Friday 29th September, 7.00 pm, starting with Mass, at Clifton Cathedral, Bristol

All are welcome!

EDUCATION SUNDAY, 10th September, is when we commemorate our predecessors of the 19th century, many of whom were living in poverty, who paid for our schools to be built. Our parishioner forebears and their Bishops rightly saw education as the principal means of handing on the faith and improving the spiritual, moral, social and cultural lives of children and young people. Their sacrifices helped re-establish the 2,175 Catholic schools and four universities. Established by the Bishops in 1848, Education Sunday is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in the liturgical calendar of England and Wales. Catholic schools continue to be true to their mission: they educate more pupils from the most deprived backgrounds; outperform national GCSE English and Maths averages by five percentage points; and are more ethnically diverse than other state-funded schools. For this success to continue, however, the help of the whole Catholic community remains essential. As throughout history, all Catholics need to be prepared to support, promote and defend Catholic education. **You can do this by becoming a school Foundation governor or Trust Director.** Please contact Bill McEntee at Clifton

Diocese via bill.mcentee@cliftdiocese.com or on **07710 094976** if you would like to be a governor or director. In this way, we can hand on to the next generation the great educational legacy of those poor and immigrant Catholic communities of the Victorian era who built our schools and universities.

WILTSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST – RIDE AND STRIDE 2023 SPONSORED CHALLENGE will take place on **Saturday 9th September** from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm. People are encouraged to do a sponsored walk or bicycle between churches on a pre-planned route. Half of all sponsorship money collected will be returned to the walker's/rider's church. Why not join in this year? Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust is a charity and provides grants to churches to fund repairs, improvements and reconstruction. Please visit [Welcome to Wiltshire Ride & Stride - Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust](#) If you would like to make a donation, visit the WHCT JustGiving page: [Log In - JustGiving](#)

MARCH FOR LIFE: March for Life UK happens in London on Saturday 2nd September. Join thousands of others at this family-friendly event to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. Full details can be found at marchforlife.co.uk.

CALNE FOODBANK Calne Food Bank is very short of food needed to make up Food Parcels for those in need. When you are shopping, please can you buy an extra can or packet to donate? Food can be donated at Sainsburys, Tesco or the box in the Church Porch. A list of items needed is on the notice board, Thank you.

CALNE AND DISTRICT LINK Calne Link urgently requires more volunteers to help maintain its 'Good Neighbour' caring services. Volunteers for their 'Help at Home' service can provide respite care such as reading to or sitting with a client, or other services in the home. They also need drivers to help with transport to medical or dental appointments. Volunteers are paid expenses and users are invited to give a donation. If you are able to help, please call **07715 587604** for more information or email calnelink@outlook.com

COMMUNION AT HOME: We are aware that there are a number of elderly and house bound parishioners who are unable to get to Mass. 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: Items for publication should be submitted by Wednesday of each week. Contact details; please email calne.stedmund@cliftdiocese.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, Theresa Bowyer, Christopher & Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Chris Drury, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Heather Smith, John Cripwell, Marie Sawyer, David Hemelryk, Helen Davies, Nicola Elliot R.I.P. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.