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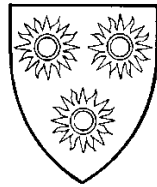
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TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – 10th SEPTEMBER 2023

Church Cleaning: Week 3

Divine Office: PSALTER 3

SATURDAY	EVE of the TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY		Mass at 6.00 pm
		St Anthony of Padua, Melksham	NO MASS
SUNDAY	TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME		Mass at 11.00 am
TUESDAY	Weekday Ordinary Time		NO MASS
WEDNESDAY	Memorial of St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church		
		St Anthony of Padua, Melksham	NO MASS
THURSDAY	Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross		NO MASS
FRIDAY	Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed virgin Mary		NO MASS
SATURDAY	Memorial of Ss Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs		Mass at 6.00 pm
		St Anthony of Padua, Melksham	NO MASS

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.

We are pleased to welcome Fr Tibor Szende who celebrates Mass with us.

This weekend: Retiring collection for the Catholic Education Service.

Next weekend: Retiring collection for Home Missions

NOTES OF HOPE: Our charity concert in aid of The Harbour Project and Calne Welfare Charities is on 29th September with a superb line-up of performers from Calne and across the world, followed by a drinks and delicious Indian nibbles. Tickets are £12.50 (£5 for under 18s) and are available after Mass and via the [Parish website](#). Please invite your family and friends. We have sold 40 tickets so far and would like to fill our spacious church with another 60 at least. Thanks to everyone who has offered to help with planning, setting up, selling tickets and waiting.

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 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!

CATECHIST FORMATION DAY: In partnership with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph, Clifton Diocese is offering a day exploring the ministry of catechesis. As well as celebrating Mass and taking time to pray together, we will look at the vocation of the catechist, how we integrate catechesis into the wider Church, the formation of the catechist and how to plan a catechetical session. This rich day of formation is for seasoned catechists, and anyone who feels called to this ministry but might not feel equipped. The date is **Saturday 28th October** at **St John the Baptist, Trowbridge**. We will begin with prayer at 10.00am, refreshments from 9.15am and the day will end at 4.00pm. Please a packed lunch. Participants can sign up for the day via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/668215439367>

EDUCATION SUNDAY: Today is Education Sunday: 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, 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@cliftondiocese.com or on 07710 094976 if you would like to be a governor or director.

St Brendan's Sixth Form College is currently recruiting for a Head of Catholic Education and Community. This is a fantastic opportunity for an experienced teacher who wants to make a significant contribution both to the delivery of the Religious Education curriculum and also to the wider college in building a sense of community for our students and staff. Full details of the role can be found on at [2023-50 Leader of Catholic Education and Community - Jobs at St. Brendan's Sixth Form College](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE TRUSTEES: As a result of current vacancies, the Diocese is seeking individuals to join the Board of the Trustees to enhance the skills of the Board in specific areas. Suitable applicants should have in depth knowledge and experience of either property or contracts as a lawyer, or finance as a qualified accountant. The commitment is to one 3-hour meeting approximately eight times per year on a Wednesday from 9.30 am in Bristol, along with membership of at least one sub-committee which would meet six times per year. Time to prepare for the various meetings is also required. It is usual for a Trustee to give somewhere in the region of 6 hours per month plus travelling time. If you would like to be considered for a position, please send your details to Alessia Dini, St Ambrose, North Rd, Leigh Woods, Bristol BS8 3PW or by email to Alessia.Dini@cliftondiocese.com by 29th September.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE: Join Bishop Declan for Mass in the Cathedral Bishop as we celebrate the gift of marriage **Saturday 14th October** at 12 noon. All are welcome. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, newly married, or looking forward to marriage in 2023, contact adult.education@cliftondiocese.com or 0117 902 5595 to receive a personal invitation from the bishop.

WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF GOD – JOURNEYING TOGETHER FROM VISION INTO ACTION: Linking with the first Session of the Synod on Synodality in Rome (October 2023), Clifton Diocese will be exploring the same themes through a series of webinars (7.30-9.00pm) through September and October. For the series we are delighted to welcome:

Bishop John Arnold (Salford Diocese) – 21st September [Click here to register](#)

Dr Gemma Simmonds CJ, – 4th October; 'For a Synodal Church - an integral experience' - [Click here to register](#)

Dr Greg Ryan – 10th October; 'A Communion that Radiates' – [Click here to register](#)

Jenny Sinclair- 19th October; 'Co-responsibility in Mission - How can we better share gifts and tasks in the service of the Gospel?' [Click here to register](#)

Canon Christopher Thomas – 24th October (to be confirmed); 'Participation, governance and authority in a synodal Church' [Click here to register](#)

Each webinar will focus on a different element of the work of the Synod. To book, please use the link above to register for your chosen speaker before the date of the talk – this will then give you the link for the webinar session to use on the day (the link may automatically go into your email calendar). To improve the experience, we advise downloading the *Microsoft Teams* app to your device beforehand and closing down all other apps that are open. For the presentation, your camera and speaker will be off, but you'll be able to ask questions through the Q&A facility.

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.

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@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, 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. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.