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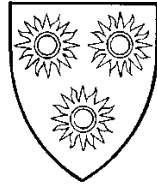
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SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST SUNDAY– 19th MAY 2024

Church Cleaning: Week 2

Divine Office: PSALTER 3

SATURDAY	EVE of PENTECOST SUNDAY	Mass at 6.00 pm
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass at 10.00 am	
SUNDAY	PENTECOST SUNDAY	Mass at 11.00 am
TUESDAY	NO MASS	
WEDNESDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass at 10.00 am	
THURSDAY	NO MASS	
FRIDAY	Memorial of St Aldhelm, Bishop	Mass at 10.00 am
SATURDAY	Memorial of St Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church	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.

SUNDAY 19th MAY: Please join the Quinn family today, Sunday 19th May, after the 11 o'clock Mass, for cake and drinks to celebrate Teresa's 80th birthday. Everyone welcome - please come!

THE CHILDREN IN WILLOW CLASS (Year 3) will be leading Mass at Church on Friday 14th June at 10am and invite all parishioners to join us for this community celebration. Throughout the academic year we have studied the important roles you play in our Church and explored how you live out the Eucharist. This has enhanced our learning immensely, and so we invite you to walk back to school with us afterwards for tea, coffee and cake to share our thanks and gratitude. Please contact Frances at FTowers@se.thedcet.com if you have any queries.

FLOWERS: Volunteers needed to help with church flowers. Please let Fr Vincent know if you would like to help. Thank you.

ST EDMUND'S ANNUAL BBQ IS ON SUNDAY 16th JUNE after mass. This will take the format of previous years. The finance committee will provide facilities for the food, but contribution is welcome. Please provide detail of your intended contribution of food or drink on the list in the church porch. This will also give us an indication of numbers coming. If you have special dietary requirements, please let a member of the finance committee know or write it on the list. We will also have a raffle. Thank you.

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.

MOTHERS' PRAYERS DAY ON SATURDAY 25th MAY 11.00 am – 3.30pm at Sacred Heart Church, High Street, Royal Wootton Bassett. SN4 7AH. This is a special MP's Day to which Maureen Goldsmith (Co-ordinator of Mothers' Prayers for England & Wales) has been invited. Both parishioners of St. Anthony of Padua Church and St. Edmund's Church have been invited. Tea/Coffee provided but please bring a packed lunch.

MISSION MASS FOR MISSIO: Missio supporters, volunteers and the wider Catholic community are invited to come together in prayer for the Global Church at **Sacred Heart Church, High Street, Royal Wootton Bassett** SN4 7AH, this **Tuesday 21st May at 7.00pm**. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr Gary Brassington, Diocesan Director for Missio and followed by refreshments in the parish hall. Br Eddie from the Mill Hill Missionaries will be able to share the work of Missio and how Red Box donations are helping to build the Catholic Church and share the Gospel message. All are welcome.

ENCOUNTER - DAY OF RENEWAL: Fr Matt Anscombe will be hosting a special day of renewal at St Bonaventure's, Bristol from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm starting with Mass next **Saturday 25th May**. Mass, uplifting worship, inspiring teaching and testimonies. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available and prayer for baptism in the Holy Spirit. Childrens' stream available too. Refreshments provided but bring a packed lunch. To

give us an idea of numbers for the day, we ask you to book a free ticket for all members of your party here: www.dftholyspirit.com/encounter-may-2024

CELEBRATION MASS FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE: The bishop is celebrating Mass in the Cathedral next **Saturday 25th May (12 noon)** and invites all families to join him to celebrate the joys & challenges of family life. In addition, we will celebrate those couples celebrating their marriage or a significant anniversary 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th during 2024. If you are one of these couples – engaged or anniversary – please email your name and address to adult.education@cliftondiocese.com or speak to Fr Vincent so that a personal invitation can be sent from the bishop.

THE EUCHARIST – A BOND OF LOVE WHICH CAN NEVER BE UNDONE: There is an opportunity on **Saturday 8th June at St Bernadette's Secondary School**, Whitchurch, Bristol, for the whole diocese to deepen our understanding and love for the Eucharist. It is particularly appropriate for parishioners who are Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and would fulfil the requirement for their annual retreat in preparation for recommissioning. It is also a helpful introduction to those who might like to support you in this ministry. We are delighted that Fr. Michael McAndrew will lead us in our reflections and conversations. The day will include a time of prayerful Adoration with words, music, and silence. Refreshments will be available from 9.30am. Attendees are asked to bring a packed lunch. We will finish by 4.00pm. Please register using the Eventbrite link: <https://cliftoneucharist.eventbrite.co.uk/>

SEEDS OF HOPE: Growing Seeds of Hope: We are delighted that the Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph will be returning to lead us in our exploration of how we **form people in the Faith**. Their knowledge and practical experience will help guide and inspire us in our ministry as catechists, including anyone who may not yet be a catechist but who cares about the formation of children, young people and adults, not only for sacramental preparation but in all the in-between stages. The day takes place on **Saturday 13th July at St. John the Baptist parish centre, Trowbridge**. Refreshments from 9.30am. Please bring a packed lunch. The day will end at 4.00pm. Registration is essential for this event; please just contact adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

A DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME IN CATHOLIC THEOLOGY is being offered by The Centre for Catholic Studies (CCS) at Durham University. This fully online programme is designed so that participants can work through material at their own pace, studying equally well in any time zone and in many different life situations, alongside work, ministry, family or caring obligations. Participants can study for an MA, a Postgraduate Diploma, a Postgraduate Certificate, or opt to complete a single module: 'Catholic Theology: A Preliminary Tour.' Full details can be found at: <https://www.durham.ac.uk/research/institutes-and-centres/catholic-studies/facilities/distance-learning/>
The CCS is offering bursaries towards tuition fees for 2024-25 - The deadline for applications has recently been extended to 7th July 2024:
<https://www.durham.ac.uk/research/institutes-and-centres/catholic-studies/facilities/funding-ccs-bursary-for-distance-learning-2024-25/#d.en.1337643> Please contact Theresa Phillips, CCS Manager, if you have any questions about this opportunity – theresa.phillips@durham.ac.uk

HOMES FOR UKRAINE: So far, the Catholic community in England and Wales have responded very generously, with many Ukrainian people now living here, miles away from the war zone. As of March 2024, our project has successfully matched 139 guests, and this shortly set to rise with the approval of more visas in the next few weeks. We have also indirectly supported more than 300 people through webinars and offline events. However, the need is still great. The number of families still waiting to find a home is over 2000. Hosting displaced people is a great way to learn about different cultures and build new friendships. To read about just one family that have benefitted enormously from their UK hosts' generosity, go to **SJOG: A New Beginning in the UK**. If there is any possibility that you may be able to offer an empty room in your home, please get in contact with us at homesforukraine@SJOG.org.uk or visit <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/>.

COMMUNION AT HOME: If any house bound parishioners unable to get to Mass would like Holy Communion brought to them at home, please contact Father Vincent, who will arrange a visit by a Minister of the Eucharist. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: Please submit items for publication in the newsletters before 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, Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Heather Smith, Marie Sawyer, Helen Davies, Carol and Gemma, Laurence Davies, Mary Hardy. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.