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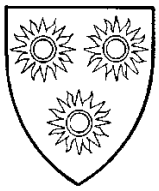

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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 19th JULY 2026

Church Cleaning: Week 1 **Divine Office: PSALTER 4**

SATURDAY	EVE OF THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mass at 6.00pm
SUNDAY	THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mass at 11.00am
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass 9.00am	
	Calne Partnership of Churches Ecumenical Joint Service 6.00pm	
TUESDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass at 10.00am
WEDNESDAY	Feast of St Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles	
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass at 10.00am	
THURSDAY	Feast of St Bridget of Sweden, Religious, Patroness of Europe	Mass at 10.00am
FRIDAY	Mass for the Institution of Lectors and Acolytes 7.00pm followed by reception	
SATURDAY	EVE OF THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mass at 6.00pm
	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.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after Mass on Sunday

Next week: Retiring Collection for the Bishop's Charitable Fund

ST EDMUND' S IS HOSTING The Calne Partnership of Churches Ecumenical Joint Service this Sunday, 19th July at 6.00pm. Please come and join us and our fellow Christians of Calne.

WE WELCOME the pupils of St Edmund's school as they join us for Mass on Tuesday 21st July.

WE CONGRATULATE Gabriel Lopes who receives the Ministry of Acolyte on his journey to become Deacon this Friday, 24th July. Please join us for Mass and the reception afterwards.

HOLY HOUR: Holy Hour for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is cancelled this week.

ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROPOGATION OF THE FAITH (APF)/ Missio: Red boxes*:* Please could box holders bring in their boxes to be emptied. Please leave them on the high shelf on the right side of the porch. The Summer Missio/ Red Box magazine describing the impact of your donations is available in the porch. Alternatively, you can read it online at **Mission Today Online - Missio** The magazine also describes how you can donate to Missio apart from through cash in the red box.

ASSITED SUICIDE UPDATE from the Catholic Union of Great Britain: The Assisted Suicide bill is back after Lauren Edwards MP (Lab) Rochester and Strood decided to use her second place in the Private Members' Bill ballot to re-introduce Kim Leadbeater's bill from the last Parliamentary Session. A debate and vote in the Commons is scheduled for 11th September. During the in-depth and essential scrutiny of the Bill in the previous Parliamentary Session there were warnings from a **number of bodies**, including Royal Colleges, the Equality and Human Rights Commission, the Former Chief Executive of NHS England and most critically, people with disabilities. You may want to consider asking to meet with **your MP** in person, or writing to them, about any aspect of the proposed legislation that you think is not safe. You can listen to any of the debates that have taken place so far by searching proceedings in **Hansard** and identifying issues that concern you. Archbishop John Sherrington, Lead Bishop for Life Issues, is **calling** on people of goodwill to join in work and prayer to prevent this flawed bill from succeeding. Richard Collyer-Hamlin, Chair, Catholic Union of Great Britain.

DEFEND NHS STAFF CONSCIENCE RIGHTS: Any new assisted suicide law would likely pressure NHS staff to be involved in some way and offer even less protection to institutions like hospices. You can help protect healthcare workers and hospices by signing the Bios Centre online petition. It calls on Health Secretary, Wes Streeting, to protect conscientious objection rights for religious and personal beliefs. Sign the petition at **Petition on Conscience Protection - Bios Centre**

MARRIAGE IN A RUT? Or need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates: 2nd - 4th October. **www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info** Tel: 07887 296983

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: Please note that submission of items for newsletters need to be received before the preceding Wednesday of each week. Items for the newsletter for 2nd August must be sent before Wednesday 22nd July. Contact details; please email **calne.stedmund@cliftondiocese.com** or speak to Fr Vincent. Thank you.

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including, Clifford Browne and family, Kathleen Drury, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Heather Smith, Helen Davies, Carol and Gemma, Laurence Davies, Mary Hardy, Emeritus Bishop Declan Lang, Luke Wilkinson. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.