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THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 25th OCTOBER 2026

Church Cleaning: Week 3 **Divine Office: PSALTER 2**

SATURDAY	EVE OF THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mass at 6.00pm
SUNDAY	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mass at 11.00am
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass 9.00am	
TUESDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass at 10.00am
WEDNESDAY	Feast of ss Simon and Jude, Apostles	
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, No Mass	
THURSDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass at 10.00am
FRIDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass at 10.00am
SATURDAY	EVE OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	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

HOLY HOUR: There will be no Holy Hour this Friday.

MANY THANKS to all those who supported the recent jumble sale when in the region of £230 was raised.

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY – Sunday 22nd November: We invite the young people of the parish to join the welcome team, music group, and reading team on World Youth Sunday on Sunday 22nd November. Discover your place in the church, grow in faith, connect with others and be inspired by St Francis of Assisi to live out the gospel through peace, service and care for creation. There are a whole range of roles in the service so please speak with Jo Medland after the 11.00am mass to get involved. Your contribution no matter how small will be really appreciated!

FAIRLY TRADED CHRISTMAS CARDS will be on sale at Mass in the weeks leading up to Christmas. Buying these helps support marginalised producers across the world and, closer to home, Doorway in Chippenham that provides a drop-in- and much more - for those marginalised members of our society such as the homeless.

STARTING SCHOOL? If you have a child born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2027 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team at Wiltshire Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15th January 2027.

ADDITIONAL SYNODAL SESSIONS: The Diocese has added two online sessions for the opportunity for parishioners to develop an understanding of listening conversations and actively respond to the invitation to explore how we are flourishing as Parishes in Communion for Mission. These dates are:
Wednesday 28th October, 7.00pm: **https://Listening2810.eventbrite.co.uk** and Tuesday 10th November, 7.00pm: **https://Listening1011.eventbrite.co.uk** When you register for one of these sessions you will receive the *Teams* link to the meeting within the Eventbrite ticket.

COMMUNION FOR MISSION: A **Conference** to explore how our parishes can flourish in Communion for Mission and the challenges we face, will be held on Saturday 14th November, 10.00am-3.00pm at St John the Baptist, Trowbridge. Our keynote speaker will be Fr Jerome Ajakaiye, who will offer his thoughts and encouragement as a Parish Priest. **Telling our Story** is an opportunity to listen to the stories of one another, hear what works and what have been the challenges that have been encountered and overcome. Fr Jerome will share his experience as a Parish Priest and the fruits of his ministry. In addition, individuals from around the Diocese will share their stories of seeds that have been sown and flourished. Please do come and take this opportunity to learn how to recognise synodality in your own Parish and how to encourage your Parish to share

with each other the shoots of hope that are present. To register for the day, please click on the Eventbrite link: **https://shootsofhope.eventbrite.co.uk**

BISHOP'S APPEAL: On Education Sunday Bishop Bosco launched a new appeal for parishioners to serve as school governors or as academy trust directors. Being a governor/director is helping our schools to provide the best possible education for today's children and helping to protect Catholic schools for future generations – it is truly supporting the mission of the Church. There is an urgent need for more volunteers to serve as governors/directors and no previous experience is required. If you would like to help our schools and respond to the Bishop's appeal, please contact Bill McEntee, Governance Officer at Clifton Diocese, for more information via **bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com** or on 07710094976 – thank you.

FLAME 2027: Young people across our Diocese are invited to attend FLAME 2027, taking place on Saturday 6th March 2027 at Wembley Arena. FLAME brings together thousands of young people from across the country for a day of inspiration, worship, and encouragement in faith. There are just under 50 tickets remaining of the one hundred Clifton Diocese secured, and they and would love to see young people, youth groups and families from our parish attend. Depending on interest, they are also hoping to organise a coach from Bristol to travel together as a diocesan community. If you are already involved in supporting young people or would like to be involved, it would be wonderful to connect. We are hoping to create opportunities to gather before and after FLAME, helping young people make the most of the experience and continue growing in faith afterwards. We're even hoping to have some warm Diocesan scarves so we can easily spot one another among the crowds! These will be available to purchase for a small additional cost with details to follow. If you are interested, please complete the form at the link: **Register your interest** and a member of the Diocesan team will be in touch with further details.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: Please note that submission of items for newsletters need to be received before the preceding Wednesday of each week. Contact details; please speak to Fr Vincent or email **calne.stedmund@cliftondiocese.com** 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, Pope Leo XIV. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.