



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Diary

Sunday 22nd September Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year. Mass 9.00 am. Children's Liturgy; all children up to 12 years old welcome. Refreshments in the hall after Mass. **(Mass at St Edmund's Sat. 6.00pm; Sun. 11.00 am).**

Monday 23rd September Mothers' Prayers 10.30 in the hall

Tuesday 24th September The Church will be open for Rosary, 10.30 am

Wednesday 25th September Morning Prayer 9.45 am; Morning Mass 10.00 am. Breaking Open and Sharing the Word

Thursday 26th September Adoration 10.00 am to 7.00pm

Friday 27th September Morning Prayer 09.30 am; Prayer Group 7.30 pm

Saturday 28th September Morning Prayer 9.45am; No Mass today.

Sundays Year C-1; Psalter Week 1

Readings: Reading 1 – Amos: 8: 4-7

Psalm Refrain: **Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.**

Reading 2 – 1 Timothy 2: 1-8

Gospel – Luke 16:1-13

Collections: Sunday September 15th £165.20; Home Mission £92.95.

Monday 23rd September – Building work starts on the hall: Sunday refreshments, Mothers' Prayers, Prayer Group, Quiz Night, etc., will take place in the house. MIND will be meeting in St Michael's Church Hall, Canon Square

Wednesday 25th September – Finance meeting: After Mass in the Presbytery

Wednesday 25th September Deanery Day Follow-up: St John's Parish centre, Trowbridge at 7.00 pm. A "Wisdom Group" for our Deanery will be discussed.

Friday 4th October - CAFOD Family Fast Day: Stations of the Cross at 11.00am, followed by lunch in aid of CAFOD.

Wednesday 9th October – Formation Evening on Children's Liturgy of the Word: St Edmund's Catholic Primary School, Calne, SN11 9BX, from 7.30 -9.00pm. This formation welcomes all those who wish to enable the children in our parishes to hear and reflect upon the word of God through CLOW. All are welcome, no experience necessary.

Starting School? If you have a child born between **1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016**, then **now** is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2020 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the **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 concerned – contact the school for full details. Our parish school is St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Corsham <http://www.stpatricks-wilts.co.uk/>, telephone number 01249 713125; email admin@st-patricks.wilts.sch.uk Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15 January 2020**.

St Patrick's School is holding open days on 27th September and 11th November.

Sunday 6th October – Tea and Evening Prayer, St. John the Evangelist Church, Bath, 3.00pm to 6.00 pm: An opportunity for those who may be divorced, remarried or simply separated to come together with our bishop for afternoon tea, conversation, concluding with the celebration of Evening Prayer.

Saturday 19th October – A Life Lived in Communion: St Brendan's College, Brislington, 9.15am – 2.30 pm. with Fr. James Hanvey SJ, to reflect upon *A life lived in Communion*, to prepare us for the coming *Year of Communion* (beginning the first Sunday of Advent) and introduce us to the resources that will be available to us from the end of November. All are welcome! Please sign up on the sheet in the porch by **Wednesday 9th October**. Please bring a packed lunch.

Saturday 26th October – Day on Prayer and Meditation, and Exhibition of Contemporary Icons: Clifton Cathedral 10.30 am – 3.30 pm; Aidan Hart will talk about the meaning of icons and how we can pray with them. He will be joined by Mother Sarah (Orthodox nun and chaplain) and Sarah Richards (Benedictine Oblate) who will talk about 'prayer of the heart' and praying the 'mystery of the rosary'. There will also be an exhibition of contemporary icons in the Cathedral gallery. Tickets are available from www.cliftondiocese.com/beauty-spirit-matter tel 0117 9025591

Friday 22nd November - 7.00pm Clifton Cathedral: Bishop Declan invites our diocesan community to join him at a celebration of Evening Prayer during which he will present to each parish, community and school the resources for the *Year of Communion*, starting Sunday 1st December.

Wednesday 25th September – Prayer for Melksham: St Michael's Church, 08.00 am

CELEBRATE Bristol, 26 - 27 October, 5pm: St Bede's Catholic College, Bristol BS11 0SU. Cost: Adults £42, Young Adults (Age 18-22) £24, Children (Yr7-Yr13) - £14. Children (Age3-6) £12 Children Under 3 yrs - Free Crèche. Contact Tony & Katherine Wadley 01452 547754 or 07891 194853 "We look forward to being inspired and encouraged in our faith through moving talks, creative liturgy and exciting worship. CELEBRATE is for everyone. Come and join us." Website www.celebrateconference.org

Melksham Foodbank: Desperately need donations; please look on the website for further information: <http://melkshamfoodbank.org.uk/foodbox-contents/>. Please donate non-perishable food, e.g. potatoes (instant) Peas, carrots (canned) sugar, pasta, UHT milk, and ensure that these items are within the "use by" dates.

Gift Aid: Contact for all queries: Tricia Hoy 01225 704805.

Sick & Housebound: Please let Fr Vincent or Mary Harris 01249 730340 know if anyone sick, elderly or housebound would like to be visited and receive Holy Communion.

Please pray for the following: Mrs. Rosa Menghini, Vilma D'Sousa, Don d'Cruz, Mrs Kathleen Murphy, John Doyle, Mrs Marian Frawley, Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jean Irwin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Mrs Bridie Liddle, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, David Coughlin, Katja Lubina, Mrs Audrey Tickner, Patrick Egan, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, Anne Dobbin, Keith Healy, George Goodwin, Alan Glass.
Please note – due to GDPR regulations, we are obliged to have the consent of the person you wish to pray for (or that of a close family member) before publishing their name in the newsletter.

Drivers: Please be careful entering and leaving the car park and leave the turning area free. Please do not block neighbours' entrances.

Please send items and information for the newsletter to:
comms.melksham.stanthonyofpadua@cliftondiocese.com or give to Sharon Pearce or Anne Doyle by each Thursday **Please email to the above address if you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, or give Sharon your email address.**

Dates for your Diary:

30th October - Prayer for Melksham, Queensway Chapel 08.00 am

**14th - 17th November trip to Lourdes: The charity Fratello is organising four days in Lourdes for and with socially excluded people. More information is available on their website www.wearefratello.org/en
Catechists' Formation Courses – starting Wednesday 29th January 2020, St Osmund, Salisbury SP1
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