



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Diary

Sunday 4th August Eighteenth Sunday of the Year. Mass 9.00 am. No Children's Liturgy of the Word until September. No refreshments in the hall this week. (Mass at St Edmund's Sat. 6.00pm; Sun. 11.00 am).

Monday 5th August No Mothers' Prayers until 2nd September

Tuesday 6th August Rosary in the Church 10.30am

Wednesday 7th August Morning Prayer 9.45 am; No Mass today. Breaking Open and Sharing the Word

Thursday 8th August Adoration 10.00am – 7.00pm

Friday 9th August Morning Prayer 09.30 am; No Prayer Group until 6th September

Saturday 10th August Morning Prayer 9.45am; No Mass today.

Sundays Year C-1; Psalter Week 2

Readings: Reading 1 – Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 2: 21-23

Psalm Refrain: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Reading 2 – Colossians. 3: 1-5, 9-11

Gospel – Luke 12: 13-21

Collections: Sunday July 28th £199.20; Bishop's Charitable Fund £ 122.00. This Sunday retiring collection for the Building Fund.

Today - Sunday 4th August, 2.30 pm – Parish Family Bring and Share Picnic: Arnold's Mill, SN15 2LY. Please come and help make this a good way to start the children's summer holidays!
There will be no refreshments after Mass today, due to picnic preparations

Parish Charities 2020: We invite parishioners to nominate parish charities for 2020, both local and abroad. Suggested charities will be reviewed at the PPC meeting in September, and if necessary reduced to 3 nominations each for local and overseas. Parishioners will then be asked to vote for the charity they would like the parish to support in 2020. Nomination forms are available in the porch – please put completed forms in the black post-box on the inside of the church front door (in the porch). Closing date 31st August.

Tuesday 20th August 11.30 am – Funeral of Frank Manning.

Deanery Pilgrimage to Littlemore - in the Steps of Cardinal Newman: Thursday 22nd August. Coach can pick up at King St. car park, Melksham at 9.40am. Price £10 per seat. It was here on 9th October 1845 that John Henry Newman was received into the Catholic Church. It has been confirmed that Cardinal Newman will be canonised in Rome on Sunday 13th October.

Please bring a packed lunch. Contact Father Martin Queenan 01985 212329 or email warminster.stgeorge@cliftondiocese.com Please sign up on the sheet in the porch.

Faith in Action scheme: Faith in Action is a national Catholic award for young people, launching in the Clifton Diocese soon to provide a new way for our parishes and schools to engage young people. Clifton Diocese Youth Ministry is holding information and training evenings across the diocese to help all parishes prepare for Faith in Action. If you are involved with young people or just want to know more, you are welcome to attend any of these evenings. Each session begins at 7pm. Refreshments are provided. More details are available by emailing: youth@cliftondiocese.com

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.

Messy Church Holiday Club, 5th – 9th August: Aimed at Primary school aged children, from 11-12.30pm at Queensway Chapel. Bring a packed lunch Monday to Thursday and enjoy a fish and chip lunch on Friday. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Volunteers to help also welcome; please contact Hannah Tarring hannahtarring.cfm@outlook.com or Alan McFall 07730 969662.

Catholic Marriage Care: Marriage Care provides couples with courses to enable them to participate in the Sacrament of Marriage in a Catholic Church and which prepares them for married life. The current remaining Marriage Preparation Courses (held in Swindon) are 5th October & 9th November. Counselling is also available for couples who might be having difficulties in their relationship. Please see the website <https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/> Volunteers are needed to assist with marriage preparation and, trained counsellors are welcome to volunteer to train as a couple’s counsellor. A new treasurer is also required.

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.

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:

Wednesday 28th August – Prayer for Melksham, 8.00 am, Baptist Church
Thursday 5th September – PPC meeting 7.30 pm in the hall

Saturday 26th October – Day on Prayer and Meditation, and Exhibition of Contemporary Icons, Clifton Cathedral 10.30 am – 3.15 pm; entrance only on ticket (£10) available from www.cliftdiocese.com/beauty-spirit-matter tel 0117 9025591