



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Sunday 10th July – Fifteenth Sunday: Mass 9.00 am

Wednesday 13th July: Morning Prayer 9.45 am, Mass 10.00 am

Saturday 16th July: Mass 10.00 am

Reconciliation after Mass on Saturdays, or by arrangement with Fr Vincent

Government advice is that face coverings/masks can help reduce the spread of Covid.

Readings at end of newsletter

Help our parish: Could you be a welcomer at Sunday Mass? If you would like to join the team welcoming people with a smile, a friendly face, and a kind word, please contact Sharon

PARISH NEWS

This week - retiring collection Stella Maris; Apostleship of the Sea

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. This year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break, and many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or by texting SEA to 70460 to donate £5. Thank you

Parish Charity and Project Bring and Buy Event, Saturday 30th July, 10.00 am. All proceeds for our Parish Project and Wiltshire Air Ambulance. We need donations of scarves, unwanted gifts, and any new/nearly new goodies to be sold for our Tombola. Please leave donations in the Hall or give them to Ester, Lydia or Carolina one week before the event. We also need cakes and cookies for our Coffee and Cake sale (bring them on the day; we will be in the Hall by 8.00am for preparation). Please do support this important – and fun – event; we need everyone to make this possible for our church and charity!

Mondays: Mothers' Prayers 10.30 am in the hall.

Wednesdays: Breaking Open and Sharing the Word after Mass

Join our community: Melksham Community Larder. This is a new initiative complementing Foodbank, distributing only fresh/perishable food. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Adrienne Westbrook/Melksham Community Larder on Facebook or email thatmeetingspace@gmail.com The plan is to form a team of volunteers so that each volunteer would only be called on once or twice a month.

Thursdays Eucharistic Adoration 10.00am - 3.00 pm.

Fridays: Divine Mercy Chaplet 3.00 pm

OUR PARISH FAMILY

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please pray for: Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, Andrew Bate, Katja Lubina, Patrick Egan, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, Keith Healy, Tricia Rigg, Henie Dixon, Brian Hillhouse, Judith Curtis, Janice Kuranlu, Anne Doyle, Sheila Likey-Ayling, Anne O'Mahony, Lorraine Pavey, Francis Ballinger, Shireen Doyle, Fr John O'Toole, Martin Hughes, John Porter. All who are suffering from coronavirus, and those finding life difficult. **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.** If anyone in the Royal United Hospital would like to receive Holy Communion, please telephone 01225 824039 and leave a message, or Email ruh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

CLIFTON DIOCESE

Listening with the Heart' - Clifton Diocese

Synodal Response: The Diocesan report is available on the Diocesan website [Synodal-response-booklet.pdf \(cliftondiocese.com\)](#) We will make copies of the report available locally soon. An updated prayer for the synod is below.

Sharing the Journey': An opportunity for catechists to be renewed and refreshed by taking part in a series of online conversations. Each speaker will offer their own insights into different aspects of catechesis and evangelisation, followed by time to discuss, comment, and share ideas. Our remaining speaker & date is **Thursday 14th July:**

Formation of the Heart – Raymond Friel. The conversation will take place on *Microsoft Teams*, 7.30pm – 8.45pm. To register your interest please contact adult.education@cliftondiocese.com. A *Microsoft Teams* invitation will be sent out a day before each talk.

Beatification of Pauline Jaricot: There will be four Missio diocesan Masses in July to celebrate the recent Beatification of Pauline Jaricot, one of Missio's founders. The main Mass with Bishop Declan is on **Tuesday 12th July at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart Church, Grange Court Road, Westbury-on-Trym, BS9 4DR.** There will also be Mass on **Wednesday 20th July at 7.00pm at St Patrick's Church, Corsham.** You are very welcome to attend any of the Masses.

CHARITIES and PARISH PROJECT

Gift Aid: Your Parish Gift Aid contact is Tricia Hoy, phone number **01225 704805.**

Our Parish Charity is Wiltshire Air Ambulance. You can donate by using this link:

<https://www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk/donate/>

Our Parish Project is the repair and refurbishment of the Presbytery. Funds raised will be split between our charity and our project with $\frac{2}{3}$ allocated to Presbytery repairs, and $\frac{1}{3}$ to Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

Melksham Food Bank Is grateful for the help from St Anthony's parishioners. A basket for donations is in the church porch, or you can use designated trollies in the Supermarkets, or deliver to the Baptist Church. Items needed – cans of meat, vegetables and fruit, pots of jam, crisps. Do not send chilled, or frozen foods or fresh fruit or vegetables as these cannot be stored. Thank you.

Melksham Family of Churches' Crisis Support: This is for those who need emergency relief (items such as energy meter payments, uniform costs for

school etc). If anyone would like to contribute to this, please contact Melksham Foodbank or Sharon (Parish office) for further information.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Saturday 23rd July, Monthly Zoom "Adore" Meeting, 10.00am. Further information and details on how to register is available at adore@altonrenewal.com

Saturday 10th September – Wiltshire Historic Churches "Ride and Stride" fundraising event. Half of funds raised by participants go to their own parish. Join in for St Anthony's! Details at <https://wiltshirehistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/ride-stride/parish-organiser-information>

Saturday 10th September – The relics of St Bernadette visit Clifton Cathedral, when pilgrims will be able to join us for Mass with anointing of the sick, Torchlight procession, Rosary, and the opportunity to venerate these relics of "The Saint of Lourdes". Exact details will be available soon.

AND FINALLY –

Wordsearch: Fourteenth Sunday

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BLESSED	FLOURISH	PURSE
BONES	FONDLED	REMEMBER
CALL	GLAD	RULE
COMFORTED	GLORIOUS	SALUTE
CROSS	LAMBS	SENT
DEEDS	LORD	SOUL
EARTH	MOURNED	TREMENDOUS
ENEMY	ONLY	UNDERFOOT
FALL	PEACE	WORDS
FILLED	PRAYER	

Eliminate only the listed words. No word should be entirely inside another. The remaining letters complete the phrase of the day:

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The word from last week was "ELISHA" Hilary Clifton

Prayer for the Synod

Pope Francis, 9th October 2021

Come, Holy Spirit!
you inspire new tongues
and place words of life on our lips:
keep us from becoming a "museum Church,"
beautiful but mute,
with much past and little future.

Come among us,
so that in this synodal experience
we will not lose our enthusiasm,
dilute the power of prophecy,
or descend into useless and unproductive
discussions.

Come, Spirit of love,
open our hearts to hear your voice!
Come, Holy Spirit of holiness,
renew the holy and faithful People of God!
Come, Creator Spirit,
renew the face of the earth!

Amen.



Readings Ordinary Time week 15

Sunday Year C; Psalter 2

Sunday 10th July – Fifteenth Sunday

Reading 1 – Dt 30: 10-14

Psalm refrain: Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive

Reading 2 – Col 1: 15-20

Gospel – Lk 10: 1-12, 25-37

Monday 11th July: Feast of St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe

Word: Prv 2: 1-9; Ps 33;

Mt 19: 27-29 **Hours:** Psalter 3

Tuesday 12th July: Word: Is 7: 1-9; Ps 47;

Mt 11: 20-24 **Hours:** Psalter 3

Wednesday 13th July: Word: Is 10: 5-7, 13-16;

Ps 93; Mt 11: 25-27 **Hours:** Psalter 3

Thursday 14th July: Word: Is 26: 7-9, 12, 16-19;

Ps 101; Mt 11: 28-30 **Hours:** Psalter 3

Friday 15th July: Memorial of St Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Word: Is 38: 1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38;

Mt 12: 1-8 **Hours:** Psalter 3

Saturday 16th July: Word: Mi 2: 1-5; Ps 9b;

Mt 12: 14-21 **Hours:** Psalter 3

Is there anything you would particularly like to see included in the weekly newsletter? Help us make our newsletter an enjoyable read! Please send any comments or items for the newsletter to the email address below, 'phone the office on **01225 702128** and leave a message or put a note through the Presbytery door. Thank you

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