



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Diary

Sunday 10rd March

First Sunday of Lent. Mass 9.00 am (St Edmund's Sat.

6.00pm; Sun. 11.00 am). Children's Liturgy, all children up to 12 years old welcome.

Refreshments in the hall. **Mass of Anointing of the Sick and Housebound: 2.30 pm**, followed

by refreshments in the hall.

Monday 11th March

Mothers' Prayers 10.30 in the hall

Tuesday 12th March

Rosary in the Church 10.30 Lent groups 10.30 and 7.00 pm

Wednesday 13th March

Morning Prayer 9.45am; No Mass today. Breaking Open and Sharing the Word.

Thursday 14th March

Adoration 10.00am – 7.00pm

Friday 15th March

Stations of the Cross 11.00am, followed by Lent lunch

Saturday 16th March

Prayer Group 7.30 pm

Morning Prayer 9.45am; Morning Mass 10.00 am, First

Reconciliations 11.00am

Sundays Year C-1; Psalter Week 1 and Proper of Season

Readings: Reading 1 – Deuteronomy 26: 4-10.

Psalms Refrain – Be with me, O Lord, in my distress

Reading 2 – Romans 10:8-13

Gospel – Luke 4: 1-13

Collections: Sunday 3rd March £180.10; Building fund £188.30. International food tasting evening amount raised for charity: £372.65.

This Sunday - Traidcraft Stall in the hall after Mass.

Altar Servers: Any young person who wishes to train to be an altar server, and who has made their First Communion and are aged 7 years and above, please sign up on the sheet in the porch. Parents please sign also. Training will be held on Saturday 30th March at 11.00 am.

Sunday 17th March: Joint St Anthony's and St Edmund's Lenten prayer service at St Anthony's 3.00 – 4.00pm, and at St Edmund's on **Sunday 24th March**, 3.00 – 4.00pm

Monday 11th March – Talk by Bishop of Salisbury: The Bishop of Salisbury will give a talk at St Edmund's on 11th March at 7.30 pm.

Friday 15th March 2019 - CAFOD Family Fast Day: CAFOD's Family Fast Day this Lent is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters around the world. Mahinur from Bangladesh makes a living from fishing, but is struggling to support her disabled husband and son. On Friday 15th

March you can eat a simple meal in solidarity and give what you save to help people like Mahinur. Fast Day envelopes will be available next Sunday 10th March after Mass.

Saturday 16th March - Lent Day of Reflection: Led by Fr Nicholas King SJ on St Luke's Gospel at St Catharine's Church Hall, Frome, 10.30 am – 3.30 pm. Donation only; please bring a packed lunch. To book, email Jessie at jlalcaraz10822@gmail.com

Lent Liturgy of Reconciliations: Our Deanery Liturgy of Reconciliation will be held at St John's Church, Trowbridge, on **Thursday 28th March at 7.00 pm**. Bishop Declan will be celebrating Liturgies of Reconciliation at five venues across the diocese; please see the Diocesan website for more information.

Friday 15th March – Retreat and Healing Service: At St John the Evangelist Church, Bath, from 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm. Contact Marta De Diego 07506 216487 or Zosia Mill 07887 952420 for more information.

Monday 11th March: Melksham Family of Churches Meeting, 7.30 pm at Melksham Baptist Church.

Saturday 16th March: New date for Ladies Breakfast: at Queensway Chapel. Please arrive at 8.45 am for a 9am start. Guest speaker will be Jeanine Porter. There is no charge but donations are welcome. Please sign up on the sheet in the porch.

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.

Solution Focused Hypnotherapy. Feeling stressed, anxious, depressed, lacking confidence, motivation or struggling to sleep properly?? Please contact Sue Watermeyer on 07773 236134 or go to <https://www.watermeyerhypnotherapy1.com/> to find out how Solution Focused Hypnotherapy can effectively help (adults and children alike) with these issues.

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, Charlie Canavan, John Doyle, Mrs Marian Frawley, Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jean Irwin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Mrs Bridie Liddle, Mrs Adderly, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, David Coughlin, Katja Lubina, Mrs Audrey Tickner, Patrick Egan, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews, Anna Prangley, Paul Hogg, John and Anne Dobbin, Mrs Curtis.

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.

RUH Bath Chaplaincy: Contact Mandy Baker 07775 895814, email - mandybaker@live.co.uk

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 send to the above address if you would like the newsletter emailed to you, or give Sharon your email address.**

Future dates for your diary:

27th March - Prayer for Melksham, 8.00 am, Queensway Chapel

3rd April - joint PPC 7.30 pm St Anthony's