



## Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September: Twenty-Fourth Sunday: Mass 9.00 am**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September: Morning Prayer 10.00 am; NO MASS**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September: NO MASS**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September: Twenty-Fifth Sunday: Mass 9.00 am**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September: Morning Prayer 10.00 am; NO MASS**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September: NO MASS**

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*

### PARISH NEWS

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September: retiring collection for the Catholic Education Service**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September: retiring collection – Home Mission**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September – We welcome Canon Alan Finlay who celebrates Mass with us**

**This Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September – St Edmund's Parish Barbeque:** St Edmund's are holding a BBQ starting at around 12.15. They will be delighted to see you!

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September – Day of Prayer for Ukraine:** A chance to stand shoulder-to-shoulder in faith, asking Our Lord Jesus Christ to protect his people. It is our chance to tell our brothers and sisters in Ukraine that we have not forgotten; that they still matter, and that they are loved

**Season of Creation:** The Season of Creation runs to the Feast of St Francis, 4<sup>th</sup> October. During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share. Novenas for the Season of Creation are available in church for you to take away and pray at home.

**St Edmund's Chamber Concert for The Harbour Project:** 6.45pm for 7pm, **Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> October** at Cadenham Manor, Foxham SN15 4NH. There is room for 60 guests. The concert programme and tickets, including light refreshments, will be available from next week for £12 each. Donations will also be welcome to support the wonderful service Harbour

**Help our community: Melksham Link** is looking for new volunteer drivers to help local people who do not have any family or friends to help them get to their medical appointments. For more information, call the duty coordinator on 07979 129052 with your name and number, or email [melkshamlink@gmail.com](mailto:melkshamlink@gmail.com)

provides refugees and asylum seekers across Swindon. Any questions please email [victoria@cadenham.com](mailto:victoria@cadenham.com)

**DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal:** Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected and donate now at [DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal | CAFOD](https://www.cafod.org.uk/dec-pakistan-floods-appeal) A prayer for Pakistan is at the end of this newsletter.

**Mother's Prayers** start again this Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30 am.

**Thursdays:** Adoration from 10.00 am to 3.00pm.

**Wednesdays:** Breaking Open and Sharing the Word after Morning Prayer

**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](mailto:ruh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net)

### CLIFTON DIOCESE

**A Faith Full Journey:** Clifton Diocese has a new series of online conversations planned. People are encouraged to simply turn up (virtually), to deepen their faith and invigorate their formation. The real time sessions will be recorded so that others can watch in their own time individually or as a group. The first session is on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**. The theme is "Young People and the Church - Exploring the faith identity of Catholic Teenagers," and we welcome Avril Baigent, Pastoral Ministry Advisor for the Diocese of Northampton. The conversation will take place on *Microsoft Teams*, 7.30pm – 8.45pm. All are welcome to join! For people to register their interest please contact [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com).

A *Microsoft Teams* invite will be sent out a few days before each talk.

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October, SYNOD – Continuing the Journey:** Continuing our Synodal conversations at St John the Baptist, Trowbridge. Book your place now on the Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/synod-session-trowbridge-tickets-368188330207>

### OTHER NEWS

**Catholiclisteners** is a new confidential helpline launched this year during Holy Week. The service, which is part of the Diocese of Westminster, has been set up for those who are returning to the faith as well as to support those who need someone to talk to. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Although not a counselling service, there is a professional

team trained in signposting callers to other services and agencies. For further information please email [Catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:Catholiclisteners@gmail.com) or call us on **0800 448 0704**

### Great Chalfield Quiet Garden 2022-2023

We meet on the first Tuesday of every month, except for January and August, and our new season begins on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September. It is a precious time when we can come closer to God, and to hear from Him, all in the beautiful grounds of Great Chalfield Manor and in All Saints Church, which is also in the grounds. The church is kept warm, if the weather is bad, but there are some covered seats in the gardens. The new programme for September 2022 to July 2023, giving details of speakers is in the hall. It is not necessary to book, and people can come for as short or as long a time as they can manage. For more information please ring Julia Wade on **01380 870137** or Anthony Matthew **01225 782082** or email [anthonymatthewfcn@gmail.com](mailto:anthonymatthewfcn@gmail.com)

### 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:

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**  
**The Turin Shroud Exhibition** will be visiting the Parish of St. John The Baptist Parish Centre, Trowbridge. Please contact Becky at St. John's Parish Centre by emailing

[enquiries@sjpc.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@sjpc.org.uk) or tel: 01225 767215

The exhibition will be available to view from 9.00am-9.00pm each day.

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** – Virtual Synodal conversation, 6-8pm. Please register your interest at

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/growing-synodality-a-conversation-tickets-389227328417>

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October** – CAFOD Fast Day Lunch in the hall, 12.30 pm

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October** – St Anthony's Quiz night and fish and chip supper, 7.00 pm

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – St Edmund's Parish Concert in the evening in aid of the Harbour Project.

### AND FINALLY –

### Wordsearch: Twenty-Fourth Sunday

I	S	Y	A	D	Y	M	E	R	C	Y	S
N	S	R	L	D	A	O	L	I	A	L	N
I	M	R	W	H	E	E	B	W	K	O	S
S	O	G	A	N	Y	I	A	W	I	H	A
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L	B	A	S	S	L	A	A	C	D	A	R
A	D	C	A	E	T	R	P	E	N	S	I
N	R	E	A	H	B	D	S	G	E	T	F
R	F	V	V	E	S	I	R	K	S	A	I
E	E	B	L	O	T	Y	R	O	S	E	C
T	D	E	G	D	U	J	L	C	L	U	E
E	C	I	O	J	E	R	W	A	S	H	H

ABRAHAM	EATS	LOST
ALWAYS	ETERNAL	MERCY
ANGRY	EYES	PARABLE
ARMS	FEAST	REJOICE
AWAY	GRACE	SACRIFICE
BLOT	HOLY	SCRIBES
BOY	HUSKS	SIN
CELEBRATION	ISRAEL	WASH
CONTRITE	JUDGED	WORLD
CRIED	KINDNESS	WRATH
DAYS	LEAVE	
DEVOUR	LORD	

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

Christ who welcomes \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

The completed phrase from last week was:  
Christ who gave up everything for OUR SAKE

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday

T	T	H	R	A	I	S	E	S	Y	G	E
E	H	O	E	Y	E	P	Y	T	I	P	T
S	R	A	G	C	T	E	I	D	D	N	S
I	R	D	N	S	D	R	A	W	E	T	S
A	N	I	A	K	O	B	E	M	B	E	L
R	R	A	A	H	S	E	U	P	T	I	N
P	E	L	T	P	Y	G	L	R	O	O	P
H	R	U	R	I	R	G	I	T	R	R	W
O	A	I	H	A	O	I	F	V	S	R	P
M	D	T	C	I	L	N	T	U	I	U	D
E	N	O	E	E	G	G	S	T	L	N	D
S	E	L	A	C	S	H	E	K	E	L	G

ANGER	HOMES	PRIDE
ARGUMENT	LAI	PRINCES
AUTHORITY	LIFTS	PROPERTY
BEGGING	NATIONS	RAISES
DEBTORS	NEEDY	SCALES
DIG	OIL	SHEKEL
DUST	ONE	STEWARD
FULL	PAIR	THANKSGIVING
GLORY	POOR	WRITE
HATE	PRAISE	
HIGH	PRICE	

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

Lord of \_ \_ \_ / \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Hilary Clifton

### Did you know?

A Columbian woman was raised by monkeys after being kidnapped and abandoned in the jungle as a child.

Chimpanzees use medicinal plants to treat themselves for illness and injury.

The deadliest animal in Africa is the hippopotamus – more so than any predator.

### Words of Wisdom

Opportunity is missed by many people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday

Sunday Year C; Psalter 4

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Reading 1 – Ex 32: 7-11, 13-14

Psalm refrain: I will leave this place and go to my father.

Reading 2 – 1Tim 1: 12-17

Gospel – Lk 15: 1-32

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September: Word: 1Cor 11: 17-26, 33; Ps 39; Lk 7: 1-10 Hours: Psalter 4

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September: Memorial of St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Word: 1Cor 12: 12-14, 27-31;

Ps 99; Lk 7: 11-17 Hours: Psalter 4

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Word: Nm 21: 4-9; Ps 77; Jn 3: 13-17

Hours: Proper of Feast

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September: Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

Word: 1Cor 15: 1-11; Ps 117;

Jn 19: 25-27 Hours: Proper of Memorial

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September: Memorial of Ss Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Word: 1Cor 15: 12-20; Ps 16; Lk 8: 1-3

Hours: Psalter 4

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September: Memorial of St Edith Wilton

Word: 1Cor 15: 35-37, 42-49; Ps 55; Lk 8: 4-15

Hours: Psalter 4

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday

Sunday Year C; Psalter 1

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Reading 1 – Am 8: 4-7

Psalm refrain: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Reading 2 – 1Tim 2: 1-8

Gospel – Lk 6: 1-13

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September: Word: Prv 3: 27-34; Ps 14; Lk 8: 16-18 Hours: Psalter 1

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September: memorial of Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul Chong Hasang and Companions, Martyrs

Word: Prv 21: 1-6, 10-13;

Ps 118; Lk 8: 19-21 Hours: Psalter 1

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September: Feast of St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Word: Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13; Ps 18; Mt 9: 9-13

Hours: Common of Apostles and Proper of Feast

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September: Word: Eccl 1: 2-11; Ps 89; Lk 9: 7-9 Hours: Psalter 1

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September: Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Word: Eccl 3: 1-11; Ps 143; Lk 9: 18-22

Hours: Psalter 1

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September: Memorial of Our Lady of Walsingham

Word: Eccl 11: 9 – 12: 8; Ps 89; Lk 9: 43-45

Hours: Psalter 1

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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