



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Mass will be celebrated Wednesday 14th July at 10.00 am and Sunday 18th July at 9.00 am.

Masses

Please do not arrive at church hoping to attend Mass if you have not booked in advance. To pre-book your attendance at Mass, contact Anne Doyle telephone 01225 707486 or email anne.doyle16@blueyonder.co.uk on the following days:

Monday, Tuesday or Thursday of each week

Sunday 11th July – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Year B; Psalter week 3

Reading 1 – Am 7: 12-15;

Psalm refrain: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Reading 2 – Eph 1: 3-14

Gospel – Mk 6: 7-13

Monday 12th July: Word: Ex 1: 8-14; Ps 123;

Mt 10: 34 -11:1 Hours: Psalter 3

Tuesday 13th July: Word: Ex 2: 1-15; Ps 68;

Mt 11: 20-24 Hours: Psalter 3

Wednesday 14th July: Word: Ex 3: 1-6, 9-12; Ps 102;

Mt 11: 1-7, 25-27 Hours: Psalter 3

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

Word: Ex 3: 13-20; Ps 104; Mt 11: 28-30

Hours: Psalter 3

Friday 16th July: Word: Ex 11: 10-12: 14; Ps 115;

Mt 12: 1-8; Hours: Psalter 3

Saturday 17th July: Word: Ex 12: 37-42; Ps 135;

Mt 12: 14-21 Hours: Psalter 3

Please ensure young children are supervised by an adult, remaining with them at all times in and around the Church. Thank you.

It is mandatory for face coverings/masks to be worn in places of worship

unless you have an exemption from wearing one

Retiring Collections: 11th and 14th July – Stella Maris;

18th and 21st July – Clergy Training Fund

PARISH NEWS

Mrs Patricia Crook, RIP: The funeral of Mrs Patricia Crook will take place on Friday 16th July at 11.00 am. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

Stella Maris: Stella Maris chaplains and trained volunteer ship visitors help seafarers and fishers in ports or in centres, as well as those in hospital, in prison, or court. They stand alongside seafarers in times of trouble. All this good work is done on behalf of the Catholic Church, through the kind and compassionate support of you all. Thank you for helping to make this possible, and thank you, in advance, for any financial and prayer support that you can kindly give this year.

First Holy Communion: If you have a child in Year 3 or above who would like to join our First Holy Communion preparation please leave your details on the sheet in the porch or email the parish office. Classes will begin in late September/early October.

Mothers' Prayers: Mothers Prayers continue each Monday in the Hall. Covid-19 restrictions apply, so please book attendance with Mary Rooney on **07789 910591**, or email maryarooney@blueyonder.co.uk each week, please.

CLIFTON DIOCESE NEWS

Vacancies at Clifton Diocese: Clifton Diocese continue to recruit a Caritas and Environmental Officer, and an Adult Formation and Evangelisation Officer. Closing date for receipt of applications is 5.00 pm, Friday 23rd July. Details can be found on their website

<https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/>

Step out against Climate Change: Walking now are a group of pilgrims, part of a relay on a 5-month journey. They set off from Cornwall and are on their way via Clifton Diocese & London, for Glasgow - more than 600 miles. This extraordinary event has been organised by the Young Christians Climate Network. People of all ages, and from all churches are urged to get involved in this walk for climate justice. Closest stage of the route to

us - **Monday 19th July, Bath – Trowbridge;**
20th July, Trowbridge – West Lavington.

Details available are on the YCCN website:

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Catechists' Day 25th September:

On Saturday 25th September the Diocese will hold a day for catechists and those involved in parish formation and evangelisation. The focus will be on family catechesis, and will be led by David Wells and Ingrid La Trobe. The day will take place at **St. John the Baptist parish centre, Trowbridge**, and will start at 11am and finish around 4pm. Refreshments will be provided from 10.30am, we ask catechists to bring a packed lunch. Numbers will be limited for the day so please register early via:

adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

OTHER NEWS

CAFOD – Reclaim Our Common Home: We all have a role to play to stop the climate crisis. In November the UN “COP26” climate talks take place in Glasgow, and CAFOD are petitioning the Prime Minister urging him to make sure world leaders take action. Pick up a petition leaflet in church to sign and send, or sign electronically and see more details at **<https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Reclaim-our-common-home>**. A prayer to the creator is at the foot of this newsletter.

Pro-Life Mass Lobby: Please meet your MP to lobby against DIY abortion and assisted suicide. SPUC is holding a **Mass lobby of MPs on Friday 16th July or Saturday 17th July 2021.** We are asking pro-life supporters up and down the country to organise a meeting with their MP at the constituency office on one of these dates. There is a renewed threat of assisted suicide being legalised. Please ask your MP to lobby the Health Secretary to end DIY abortion, and ask your MP to **vote against assisted suicide.** Briefings to help you lobby your MP are at: **www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021**

MELKSHAM FAMILY of CHURCHES

Melksham Family of Churches plan to intensify their work on the initiatives below. This needs help from all of Melksham' Christian community to succeed and volunteers are very welcome: **Melksham Foodbank** are looking for Trustees to support registration with the Charity Commission. **Melksham Community Money Advice** (formerly Hope Debt Advice) is now in alignment with the national Community Money Advice organisation, and needs office support and trained advisors in the next 6-12 months to support those struggling with debt. **Messy Church**, based at Forest

and Sandridge School, plans to reopen on a face to face basis in September - help with sessions will be welcome. Plans for a **Melksham Job Club** are in very early stages, but people who have the skills to help others search and apply for jobs will be needed. **Open the Book** is a Bible Society initiative and groups from Melksham churches have been taking this to 3 of our town's primary schools. More team members are needed to continue and perhaps extend the number of schools visited. If you can give help any of these Christian projects in Melksham, please contact Sharon in the parish office for further details.

CHARITIES

Our Parish Charities: If you would like to make a donation to **Wiltshire Air Ambulance**, please use the following link:

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

Mary's Meals also has an internet “Giving Page”:

<https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/donate>

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

Melksham Food Bank: There has been a huge rise in the number needing the Food Bank. To donate food items, please use either the 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:

Melksham Family of Churches also supports those who need emergency relief (non-food items such as energy meter payments, uniform costs for school children etc.). If anyone would like to contribute to this, please contact Sharon (parish office) for further information.

OUR PARISH FAMILY

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please pray for the

following: Don d’Cruz, John Doyle, Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, Andrew Bate, Katja Lubina, Patrick Egan, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, Keith Healy, Alan Glass, Tricia Rigg, Henie Dixon, Brian Hillhouse, June Carey, Janet Ruddick, Judith Curtis, Janice Kuranlu, Alan McFall, Alistair Strudwick, David Elliot, Callum Ford, Maria Podraza. All who are suffering from coronavirus, and those finding isolation 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

AND FINALLY...

Wordsearch – Fifteenth Sunday

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AMOS	HAVERSACK	SICK
BLOOD	INSTRUCTED	SIGN
BREAD	MARCH	SINS
CHOSEN	NEST	SONS
CURED	OFF	STEPS
DEVILS	PEOPLE	TOGETHER
EPHESIANS	PRAISE	TWELVE
FEET	PREACH	WALK
FREE	PROPHESYING	WEAR
FRUIT	REPENTANCE	WORLD
GUIDES	SEND	

Eliminate only the words given in the list. No word should be entirely inside another and ignore any other words that might appear, they are coincidental. The remaining letters complete this message we have been given by God:

Go, tell / _ _ / _ _ _ _ _ _

The remaining letters from last week completed the phrase:

“Prophet / Of / God”

Hilary Clifton

Just a thought....

How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it.

Words of Wisdom....

Lord, may your blessing be on our homes, that your peace may dwell there,
Let it be a place of welcome that our happiness be freely shared. Jewish worship

Is there anything you would particularly like to see included in the weekly newsletter? Help us make our newsletter a good read!

*Please send any comments 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*

If you know of any parishioners who do not have access to email, please print this newsletter for them.

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