



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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**Sunday 11th June: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi):
Mass 9.00am**

Wednesday 14th June: Morning Prayer 9.45am, NO MASS

Thursday 15th June: Adoration 10.00 am – 3.00 pm

Friday 16th June: Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3.00 pm

Saturday 17th June: NO MASS

At the sign of peace, if you wish, you are welcome to shake hands with those next to you

Please be aware that the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales states:
"The Roman Rite does not permit that communicants themselves dip their host into the Precious Blood"

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

Daily readings at end of newsletter

PARISH NEWS

Refreshments in the hall after Mass

Next week there will be a retiring collection for Day for Life

Message from CAFOD: "Thank you to the parishioners of St Anthony of Padua for your latest donation of £385.75 from the lunch and walk, which we received on 19th May. Thank you so much for being there for our global family." The letter is on the noticeboard in the church porch if you would like to read it in full.

Can you help? A couple with 3 children is looking for accommodation in Melksham or surrounding areas. If anyone can help, or knows of someone who can assist, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Do you need help in the garden? Vincent Fletcher is currently working towards his Bronze DofE award and would like to volunteer to help anyone with gardening - tidying, mowing, weeding or other jobs. He is very keen and responsible. Please contact Lauren Fletcher if you would like his help **07855 227346** Thank you.

Thursday 15th June – Joint PPC with St Edmund's
7.00 pm in the hall, St Anthony of Padua.

St Edmund's Annual BBQ: Everyone from St Anthony's is invited to attend next **Sunday 18th June after the 11.00am Mass**. Donations of food and drink to support the event would be appreciated; if you are attending, please add your name and donation item to the list in the Porch. A raffle to raise some money for St Edmund's Parish Projects is also planned. Please email albert.pace@btinternet.com if you have any questions. Many thanks.

Don't Forget the Holy Spirit: Fr Matt Anscombe of our diocese has written a book called 'Don't Forget the Holy Spirit'. He shares personal testimony and considers the difference the Holy Spirit makes in our lives of faith. Further details and recommendations and a link to buy the book online if you prefer can be found on his website www.dftholyspirit.com - it is also available on Amazon, price £10.00 plus P&P.

St James' Priory, Bristol, Celebrates the Memorial of St Anthony with Mass at 1.00 pm followed by a buffet lunch on Tuesday 13th June. No charge for lunch – to book please call Robert on **07767 706163** or email Robert.von.hawrylak@cliftondiocese.com

Also this week:

Monday 12th June: Mothers' Prayers in the hall, 10.30am.

Wednesday 14th June: Breaking Open and Sharing the Word after Morning Prayer.

OUR PARISH FAMILY

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please pray for: Geoff Blwyddin, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, Patrick Egan, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, Keith Healy, Tricia Rigg, Henie Dixon, Brian Hillhouse, Janice Kuranlu, Anne Doyle, Sheila Likey-Ayling, Anne O'Mahony, Lorraine Pavey, Francis Ballinger, Shireen Doyle, Fr John O'Toole, Tess Jones, Kelvin Boorer, Maureen Westlake, Liz McGrane, Isaac Anderson, June Carey, Michael Bramwell. All who are suffering from illness, 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 Holy Communion, please telephone 01225 824039 and leave a message, or Email ruh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

CLIFTON DIOCESE

Pastoral Ministry – Next Course: The Diocese invites applications for the next course which begins in **September 2023**. The course is ideal for any parishioner seeking to develop their capacity to serve the parish in any way they think the Lord is calling them. Interested? Please do come to one of our information evenings taking place in June. You will hear in more detail about the two courses, including content, time commitment and costs. Dates and nearest venues for information sessions are below. Each session starts at 7.00pm. No need to book, just turn up on the evening.

Monday 12 June: St George, Warminster

Wednesday 14 June: St John the Evangelist, Bath

Thursday 15 June: St Peter, Swindon

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury – Sunday 9th July 2023: We are pleased to confirm the annual pilgrimage to Glastonbury, led by Bishop Declan, is taking place. The theme this year is "Mary, Queen of Peace." Events begin at 11.30 with Rosary in St Mary's Shrine Church. The pilgrimage Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Declan at 3.30 pm. Further details available in the church porch.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 18th July: Prayer for Melksham
7.30 pm, That Meeting Place

OTHER NEWS

CAFOD weekly prayer reflection: Every Friday CAFOD will email you a reflection based on the Sunday Gospel, with inspiring prayers. Sign up at [Weekly reflection on the Sunday Gospel \(cafod.org.uk\)](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland: £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights in Knock

House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia or Natali on **01268 762 278** or **07740 175557** or email knockpilgrimimages@gmail.com.

How Can You Help Rough Sleepers? A Message from Wiltshire Council: If you see someone on the streets, you can provide details to **StreetLink** which connects rough sleepers with local services that can support them. If you are sleeping rough, or you know someone who is, let us know on **0300 456 0100** so we can provide accommodation and support.

CHARITIES and PARISH PROJECT

Gift Aid: Your Parish Gift Aid contact is Tricia Hoy, phone number **01225 704805**. Please remember to contact us if your circumstances change and you no longer pay sufficient income Tax to cover your donation.

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: A basket for donations is in the church porch. 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 for those who need emergency non-food relief. If you would like to contribute, please contact Melksham Foodbank or Sharon (Parish office) for further information.

AND FINALLY –

Did you know?

Antarctica is the biggest desert in the world.

Words of Wisdom

Those who "bind themselves to God," as did Sts. Francis of Assisi and Elizabeth of Hungary, become charitable to the poor. For "he who does not love his brother and sister whom he sees, cannot love God whom he has not seen." (1 Jn 4:20)

Pope Francis



Wordsearch: Corpus Christi

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ANCESTORS	GOD	PRAISE
ANYONE	GUIDED	SERPENTS
ARGUING	HEART	SINGLE
BLESSINGCUP	HUMBLE	TAUGHT
BORDERS	JESUS	THIRST
BREAD	JEWS	UNDERSTAND
DECREES	LOAF	WORLD
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Eliminate only the words from the list to reveal another name for this feast:

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Last week's remaining letters made "THREE IN ONE"
Hilary Clifton

Sunday 11th June

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Sunday Year A; Psalter 2

Reading 1: Dt 8: 2-3, 14-16

Psalm Refrain: O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Reading 2: 1Cor 10: 16-17

Gospel: Jn 6: 51-58

Monday 12th June: Word: 2Cor 1: 1-7; Ps 33;
Mt 5: 1-12 **Hours:** Psalter 2

Tuesday 13th June: Memorial of St Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church

Word: 2Cor 1: 18-22; Ps 118; Mt 5: 13-16

Hours: Psalter 2, Common of Pastors or Doctors

Wednesday 14th June: Word: 2Cor 3: 4-11;
Ps 98; Mt 5: 17-19 **Hours:** Psalter 2

Thursday 15th June: Word: 2Cor 3: 15-4: 1, 3-6;
Ps 84; Mt 5: 20-26 **Hours:** Psalter 2

Friday 16th June: Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Word: Dt 7: 6-11; Ps 102; Mt 11: 25-30

Hours: Proper of Solemnity

Saturday 17th June: Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Word: 2Cor 5: 14-21; Ps 102; Lk 2: 41-51

Hours: Psalter 2

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 401265** and leave a message or put a note through the Presbytery door. Thank you.

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

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