



## Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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### Diary

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the year – Mass 9.00am**

**Day of prayer for prisoners and their dependants**

**Children's Liturgy, all children welcome up to 12 years old. Refreshments in the hall**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

Mothers' Prayers 10.30 in the hall

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

Rosary in the Church 10.30

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

**Morning Prayer 9.45am Mass 10.00am**

Refreshments, Breaking Open & Sharing the Word

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October**

Adoration 10.00am – 7.00pm

Journey in Faith 7.00-8.00pm

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**Morning Prayer 9.30am**

Prayer Group in the hall 7.30pm

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

**Morning Prayer 9.45am Mass 10.00am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation 10.30-11.00am**

**Sundays Year B; Weekdays Year 2; Psalter Week 4**

**Readings 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Reading 1 – Wisdom 7: 7 - 11**

**Psalm 89 Refrain – Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.**

**Reading 2 Hebrews 4: 12 – 13 Gospel – Mark 10:17 – 30**

**Collections - £152.70 CAFOD - £409.50**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Retiring collection for World Mission.**

**Youth Synod** - During October, Pope Francis is holding a synod on Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment. For the Week 15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October, our diocese is entering a time of **Focus and Prayer** for young people. Prayers for each day are available along with many resources for young people, catechists and parishes from your parish and from [www.cliftondiocese.com](http://www.cliftondiocese.com) You can follow our Social media journey to the Synod each day using @cliftonyouth. **Prayer leaflets are available in the porch.**

**The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children** has produced postcards so that you can send a message to your MP urging her to vote against a dangerous abortion bill which is coming up in the House of Commons on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**. The Bill seeks to decriminalise abortion which would remove any effective legal protection for unborn babies and their mothers in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. **Postcards are available in the porch.**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October** - St James' Priory, Bristol, is hosting a concert of Early Music from the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Centuries performed by The Minstrel Ensemble on Thursday 25 October at 6.30pm.

**November 10<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Family Day at St Brendan's College** – encountering the Lord.

On **Saturday 10 November** we gather at St Brendan's College, Brislington, (10.15am to 3pm) with David Wells who will help us reflect upon *Encounter the Lord*. The day at St Brendan's is set to prepare us for the coming Year of Prayer (beginning the first Sunday of Advent) and introduce us to the resources that will be available to us from the end of November. All are welcome and it would be good if each parish was represented. **Please sign up on the clipboard in the porch by 31<sup>st</sup> October. Participants will need to bring a packed lunch for this day.**

**Interfaith Week 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November** – An evening of interfaith exploration will be held in the Apostle room of Clifton Cathedral on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November**. It will be chaired by Professor Gavin D'Costa with contributions from Professor Sajjad Rizvi, University of Exeter, a Muslim and a specialist on Islamic philosophy and interfaith dialogue, Dr Alexander Goldberg, a Jew and an international consultant on intercultural, interfaith and community relations, and Jacob Fareed Imam, a Catholic who is currently undertaking a doctorate at Oxford investigating the Islamic roots of the Protestant Reformation. **The evening will begin at 7.15pm** and refreshments will be available from 6.30pm. All are most welcome.

**November 27<sup>th</sup> - Evening Prayer at the Cathedral 7.00pm – resources for the Year of Prayer to be presented by Bishop Declan to parishes, schools, colleges and religious communities**

On **Tuesday 27 November** at 7pm in our Cathedral, Bishop Declan invites our parishes and communities to join him at a celebration of Evening Prayer during which he will present to each parish, community and school the resources for the Year of Prayer starting the following weekend. As we did with the Year of Mission, each community will be called forward to receive the Year's resources.

**Melksham Family of Churches:**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Prayer for Melksham Baptist Church 7.00pm** – Please support this opportunity given by the Family of Churches for prayer together for our town.

**Light Party at Queensway Chapel 31<sup>st</sup> October 5.30-7.00pm.** Volunteers to help desperately needed. Contact Hannah as above.

**Melksham Foodbank** – Desperately need donations, particularly potatoes (instant) Peas, carrots (canned) sugar, pasta, UHT milk.

**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, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews.

**RUH Bath Chaplaincy** - Contact Mandy Baker 07775 895814, email - [mandybaker@live.co.uk](mailto: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.

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