



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Diary

Sunday 16th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity; Mass 9.00 am Children's Liturgy, all children up to 12 years old welcome. Refreshments in the hall. (Mass at St Edmund's Sat. 6.00pm; Sun. 11.00 am).

Monday 17th June Mothers' Prayers 10.30am in the hall.

Tuesday 18th June Rosary in the Church 10.30am

Wednesday 19th June Morning Prayer 9.45 am; No Mass today. Breaking Open and Sharing the Word.

Thursday 20th June Adoration 10.00am – 7.00pm

Friday 21st June Morning Prayer 09.30 am; Prayer Group 7.30pm

Saturday 22nd June Feasts of SS John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs;

Morning Prayer 9.45am; Morning Mass 10.00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation 10.30 am

Sundays Year C-1; Psalter Week 3

Readings: Reading 1 – Proverbs 8: 22-31

Psalm Refrain – How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!

Reading 2 – Romans 5: 1-5

Gospel – John 16: 12-15

Collections: Sunday 9th June £166.82; this week retiring collection for Day for Life. Amount raised this year for CAFOD - £750.50

Thursday 20th June – PPC Meeting: 7.30 pm in the hall. Please see a PPC member if there are any issues/concerns you would like discussed at the meeting.

Thursday 27th June – Confirmation: St John's, Trowbridge at 6.00 pm. Three of our young people will be receiving this sacrament; please do come if you can, and support them with prayer.

Saturday 29th June: 10.00 am Thanksgiving Mass in celebration of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Michael & Mary Rooney. Michael & Mary would like to invite all our parish family to join them in celebrating this special occasion, in appreciation of their friendship, love and support over many years. Canapés and drinks in the hall afterwards.

Altar Servers: Not too late for any young person to train to be an altar server. If you have made your First Communion and are aged 7 years and above, please sign up on the sheet in the porch. Parents please sign also. Training will take place after Mass on **Saturday 22nd June at 11.00 am.**

A huge thank you from St Anthony's parishioners to St Edmund's for hosting the celebration to mark Fr. Vincent's 30th Anniversary of his Ordination and our joint fundraising for Mary's Meals. We enjoyed and appreciated the delicious lunch and entertainment generously provided by St Edmund's parishioners. We

were blessed with fine weather and an opportunity to get to know one another in your lovely gardens, it was also a fitting celebration of Pentecost. Thank you.

Saturday 6th July - Diocesan Day, St Brendan's College Bristol: Coffee from 9.15. Opening Liturgy 9.45 am, followed by keynote speaker Fr Dennis McBride. Day concludes at 4.15pm with Mass. Lunch is provided, so please sign up in the porch. Details of workshops can be found on the poster and booklets in the porch as well as at www.cliftondiocese.com.

Saturday 13th July – Marriage mass at Clifton Cathedral: Bishop Declan will be celebrating Mass at 12 noon, and invites all married couples to join him. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary and wish to attend, please email adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

Faith in Action scheme: Faith in Action is a national Catholic award for young people. The Clifton Diocese is currently piloting the scheme in different parishes, to explore how the awards could acknowledge and encourage the service and presence of young people. The awards enable young people to reflect on their role in the Church, deepen their understanding of scripture & Catholic Social Teaching, and grow in their faith. For more information and to take part in the pilot email youth@cliftondiocese.com or visit www.cliftondiocese.com and search for Faith in Action.

Monday 1st July – Yr 5 day at St Augustine's Catholic College: Year 5 students who are considering going to St Augustine's are invited to attend from 9.45 am to 2.30 pm. For more details and to book a place contact Faith Wheat wheatf@st-augustines.wilts.sch.uk . Also Yr 5 parents and students **open evening**

Wednesday 10th July 6.00pm to 8.00pm

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.

Wednesday 19th June – Julia's House Open Day: Bath Rd, Devizes, SN10 2AT. This Hospice open day will run from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm. Please park in the car park on Station Rd.

Join the Climate Change Lobby to Parliament! London - 26 June: Get involved in action for the campaign against the climate and environmental crisis, with CAFOD, and tell our leaders that Britain should no longer contribute to the destruction of our common home. You **can** make a difference by joining in – a coach is going from our Clifton Diocese to the Lobby in London. Please register if you would like to attend - see <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby> for more details or contact Liz Baldwin at the CAFOD office in Bristol: ebaldwin@cafod.org.uk / 01172 428 328.

Gift Aid: Contact for all queries: Tricia Hoy 01225 704805.

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, John Doyle, Mrs Marian Frawley, Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jean Irwin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Mrs Bridie Liddle, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, David Coughlin, Katja Lubina, Mrs Audrey Tickner, Patrick Egan, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, John and Anne Dobbin, Keith Healy, George Goodwin.

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.

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:
14th July – Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury**

Sunday 4th August afternoon – Parish Family Picnic
5th – 9th August – Melksham Family of Churches Holiday Club, Queensway Hall