



# Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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**Mass will be celebrated Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 10.00 am and Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 9.00 am.**

## Masses

To pre-book your attendance at Mass, contact Anne Doyle telephone 01225 707486 or email [anne.doyle16@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:anne.doyle16@blueyonder.co.uk) on the following days:

**Monday, Tuesday or Thursday of each week**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sunday Year B; Psalter week 4

Reading 1 – Jb 38: 1, 8-11

Psalm refrain: Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.

Reading 2 – 2Cor 5: 14-17

Gospel – Mk 4: 35-41

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June: Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**

Word: Gn 12:1-9; Ps 32; Mt 7: 1-5 Hours: Psalter 4

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Feast of Ss John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs**

Word: 2Mc 6: 18, 21, 24-31; Ps 30; Mt 24: 4-13

Hours: Psalter 4

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Word:** Gn 15: 1-12, 17-18; Ps 104; Mt 7: 15-20 Hours: Psalter 4

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June: Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist**

Word: Is 49: 1-6; Ps 138; Acts 13: 22-26;

Lk 1: 57-66, 80; Hours: Psalter 4

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June: Word:** Gn 17: 1, 9-10, 15-22;

Ps 127; Mt 8: 1-4; Hours: Psalter 4

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June: Word:** Gn 18: 1-15; Lk 1; Mt 8: 5-17 Hours: Psalter 4

**Please do not arrive at church hoping to attend Mass if you have not booked in advance.**

**Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday is currently suspended.**

**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: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> – Day for Life, Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Peter's Pence.**

## PARISH NEWS

**Prayer Garden:** We now have a lovely Prayer Garden to the left of the entrance to our church. It provides space for people to sit and pray when the church is closed. A big thank you to Zofia who donated the statue of Our Lady from sales of face coverings and also thank you to Brendan who gave thought and time to erecting the statue. We look forward to Christine & David repainting the seating and hope people will enjoy peace and tranquillity there, as Our Blessed Mother calls us to be closer to her son Jesus Christ.

**Mothers' Prayers:** Mothers Prayers continue each Monday in the Hall. Covid-19 restrictions apply, and you need to book attendance with Mary Rooney on 07789 910591 or email [maryar Rooney@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:maryar Rooney@blueyonder.co.uk) each week, please.

**Diocesan Safeguarding Training for Volunteers:** The Safeguarding Team will be delivering safeguarding awareness sessions to volunteers on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 6.30pm – 8.00pm and Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 9.30am – 11.00am. The training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams so if you would like to attend, please contact Beci Monks on [rebecca.monks@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:rebecca.monks@cliftondiocese.com) Beci will send you a link to the training nearer the time.

## CLIFTON DIOCESE NEWS

**Dunstan Multi Academy Trust** based in Somerset is recruiting a full time, permanent CEO. Full information can be downloaded from the website <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/> Closing date is **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June, interviews 6<sup>th</sup> July (TBC).**

**Job Opportunities at Clifton Diocese:** Clifton Diocese is recruiting an Adult Formation and Evangelisation Officer, and a Caritas and Environment Officer. For more information about the roles please contact Sarah Adams, Director of Adult Education & Evangelisation on 0117 902 5595. The job details and application form are available from [www.cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/](http://www.cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/) . Closing date for receipt of applications: **25<sup>th</sup> June 2021.**

## CATHOLIC BISHOP'S CONFERENCE NEWS

**SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE - The 'Day for Life':** Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. This year, Catholics are called to pray for good care of those who are elderly, sick and dying and to oppose legislation on assisted dying. To read Bishop Sherrington's statement opposing the assisted dying bill, visit the Catholic Bishop's Conference website

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/bishop-sherrington-issues-statement-opposing-assisted-dying-bill/>

## OTHER NEWS

**Rediscover Your Marriage** – Retrouvaille. This programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Many couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register for the programme commencing with a **Virtual weekend on 1st – 4th July 2021** Call or text **0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443** or Email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

**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 16<sup>th</sup> July or Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2021**. We are asking pro-life supporters up and down the country to organise a meeting with their MP, at the MP's constituency office, on one of these dates. The DIY abortion policy is still in place, and there is a renewed threat of assisted suicide being legalised. Please ask your MP to lobby the Health Secretary to **end DIY abortion**. Please ask your MP to **vote against assisted suicide**. SPUC has produced dedicated briefings to help you lobby your MP: [www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021](http://www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021)

## CHARITIES

**Gift Aid:** Giving envelopes are available at church. Please start using these envelopes now and dispose of any of the old envelopes you hold. Many thanks for Gift Aiding your donations. Your Gift Aid contact is Tricia Hoy, phone number **01225 704805**.

**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>

**CAFOD – A Message From Liz Baldwin:** Thanks to your support, CAFOD has been helping communities around the world cope with the pandemic. Just in Zambia, in the past year, our reports show we've been able to reach 1,234,200 people with messages on COVID-19, provide 13,312 people with access to safe water, train 392 frontline health workers from Zambia's 11 dioceses on how to prepare and respond to COVID-19 in their local communities and donate over 1000 handwashing hygiene stations in communities to support handwashing measures. Thank you for standing alongside people in Zambia and for supporting people in more than 30 other countries worldwide.

**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 help (non-food items such as energy meter payments, etc.). If anyone would like to contribute to this, please contact Sharon (email as at foot of newsletter) for further information.

## OUR PARISH FAMILY

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please pray for the following: Don d'Crux, John Doyle, Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, Andrew Bate, Katja Lubina, Patrick Egan. Deacon David Wakefield, 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](mailto:ruh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net)

## AND FINALLY....

Two wordsearches – one for last week as well as this one!

*Please note:* Eliminate only the words given in the list, ignore any others which occur coincidentally. No word should be entirely inside another.

**Wordsearch – Eleventh Sunday**

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

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| ALWAYS   | HARVEST  | SHOOT     |
| BRANCH   | HOUSE    | SHRUB     |
| COURT    | KINGDOM  | SOIL      |
| CROP     | MADE     | SOWING    |
| CROWDS   | MOUNTAIN | SPEAK     |
| FLOURISH | MUSTARD  | SPROUTING |
| FORSAKE  | MYSELF   | THANKS    |
| GOD      | NAME     | TOP       |
| GOOD     | REST     | TREE      |
| GREEN    | SEED     | WINGED    |
| GROW     | SEEK     | WORD      |

The remaining letters give the name of a famous tree:

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The word from the previous newsletter was "BODY"

*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.*

**Wordsearch – Twelfth Sunday**

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

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| ANOINTED  | GALE       | SEA        |
| AWE       | GATE       | STERN      |
| BREAK     | HAVEN      | SUMMONED   |
| CLOUDS    | HUSHED     | TEMPEST    |
| COME      | JOB        | TUMULTUOUS |
| DEEDS     | MASTER     | WARMED     |
| DEEP      | MIND       | WAVES      |
| DIED      | OBEY       | WHISPER    |
| ENLIGHTEN | OVERWHELMS | WIND       |
| FAITH     | REFUGE     | WOKE       |
| FAR       | RESCUED    |            |

The remaining letters complete this description of Jesus:

LORD \_ \_ THE \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Hilary Clifton

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