

Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Diary

Sunday 24th February Seventh Sunday of the Year. Mass 9.00 am (St Edmund's Sat. 6.00pm; Sun. 11.00 am). Children's Liturgy, all children welcome up to 12 years old.

Refreshments in the hall.

Monday 25th February Mothers' Prayers 10.30 in the hall Rosary in the Church 10.30

Wednesday 27th February Morning Prayer 9.45am; Mass 10.00am. Breaking Open and

Sharing the Word

Thursday 28th February Adoration 10,00am – 7.00pm Friday 1st March Morning Prayer 9.30am

Prayer Group 7.30 pm

Saturday 2nd March Morning Prayer 9.45am; Morning mass 10.00 am, Sacrament

of Reconciliation 11.00am

Sundays Year C-1; Psalter Week 3

Readings: Reading 1 – 1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23.

Psalm Refrain – The Lord is compassion and love.

Reading 2 – 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49 Gospel – Luke 6: 27-38

Collections: Sunday 17th February; £141.56. Next week: Retiring collection for Building fund

Saturday 2nd March – International Evening: In aid of our Parish charities, an evening of food tasting from around the world, on Saturday 2nd March, 7.00 pm at Queensway Hall. Please come and enjoy food provided by our multi-cultural parishioners. We also invite parishioners to contribute a dish from their country of origin. Free tickets available from 17th February, please see Judy Churchill.

Tuesday 5th March – Lent Groups begin: Our Lent groups will start on 5th March, at 10.30 am in the Hall, and 7.00 pm at 16, Sherwood Ave. Theme this year is "Jesus the Jew" – please sign up on the sheet in the porch to indicate which group you will attend.

Friday 8th March – Stations of the Cross begin: From 8th March we will be observing Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent, instead of Morning Prayer. Starting at 11.00am, they will be followed by a Lent lunch. All donations received will go towards our charities.

Sunday 10th March – Mass of Anointing of the Sick and Housebound: This Mass will be held at 2.30 pm, followed by refreshments in the hall.

Vacancy for Head Teacher: St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Malmesbury, is looking to recruit a new Head Teacher for Sep 2019. Governors warmly welcome visits and expressions of interest from practising Catholic candidates. Please contact Elaine Pearce on 01666 822331 or admin@st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk to arrange a visit or request an application pack. **Closing date is 8th March 2019.**

Vacancy for Catholic Education Service (CES) South West Hub Development Officer: The CES represents and promotes the national education policy of the Bishops to the Catholic schools, colleges and university colleges across England and Wales. Closing date for applications is 9am on Monday 11 March 2019; Interviews will take place on Thursday 21st March 2019. For more information please see the full job advert and job description on the CES website: http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/

Youth Ministry Diocesan Summer Camps: This year's summer camps take place in August. Led by experienced volunteers (and qualified instructors for outdoor activities), the camps include catechesis, outdoor activities, prayer, Mass and social time based in the Forest of Dean. Dates are Week 1, ages 7 – 11: 12^{th -} 16th August, and Week 2, ages 12 -16: 19^{th -} 23rd August. Information, booking form and payment avialable on the Youth Ministry page below: https://cliftondiocese.com/departments/adult-education/youth-ministry/diocesan-summer-camps/

Wednesday 27th **February:** Prayer for Melksham - 08.00 am at St Michael's Church. **Please support Prayer for Melksham**.

Friday 1st March: (Women's) World day of Prayer –10.30 am, St Michael's Church.

Saturday 16th March: New date for Ladies Breakfast: at Queensway Chapel. Please arrive at 8.45 am for a 9am start. Guest speaker will be Jeanine Porter. There is no charge but donations are welcome. Please sign up on the sheet in the porch.

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, Patrick Egan, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews, Anna Prangley, Paul Hogg, John and Anne Dobbin.

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.

RUH Bath Chaplaincy: Contact Mandy Baker 07775 895814, email - 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.

Please send items and information for the newsletter to:

comms.melksham.stanthonyofpadua@cliftondiocese.com or given 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:
Lent Prayer St Anthony's - 17th March 3.00 pm
Lent Prayer St Edmund's - 24th March 3.00 pm
Prayer for Melksham - 27th March, Queensway Chapel