



# Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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In order to keep each other safe, save lives and support the NHS, at this time our Catholic churches are closed to the public. Please continue to pray at home for scientists, doctors, nurses and health care workers.

**Message from Fr Vincent:** Fr Vincent has sent two quotes from Pope Francis for us to contemplate:

"Jesus gives us life, life in abundance. If we are close to him we will have joy in our hearts and a smile on our face".

"With Jesus there is true joy".

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April: Third Sunday of Easter

**Word:** Acts 2: 14, 22-33; Psalm 15; 1Pt 1: 17-21; Lk 24: 13.-35

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season.

## Prayers of the Faithful for the Third Sunday of Easter

We pray for all who are suffering in the present Coronavirus crisis: for those who are ill as a result of it; for those for whom the lockdown has brought fear or anxiety and loneliness through separation from family and friends. We remember the church communities of St Patrick's, Corsham; and of St Andrews, Melksham. May the risen Lord, who met the disciples on the road to Emmaus, be with us all.

Gervase O'Donohoe

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April: Word:** Acts 6: 8-15; Psalm 118; Jn 6: 22-29

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April: Word:** Acts 7 51-8:1; Psalm 30; Jn 6: 30-35.

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April: Feast of St Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe**

**Word:** 1Jn 1: 5-2:2; Psalm 102; Mt 11:25-30.

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April: Word:** Acts 8: 26-40; Psalm 65; Jn 6: 44-51

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May: Word:** Acts 9: 1-20; Psalm 116; Jn 6: 52-59

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

**Word:** Acts 9: 31-42; Psalm 115; Jn 6: 60-69

**Hours:** Psalter 3 and Proper of Season

**Mass on the Internet:** The celebration of Mass (and other devotions) can be followed on smart TVs, laptops, iPads and mobile phones, using the following links:

Britain, Ireland and the USA; <https://www.churchservices.tv/churches/>

Daily Mass said at Clifton Cathedral, 9.30 am: <https://cliftondiocese.com/>

St Osmund's Church Salisbury; daily Mass at 10.00 am <https://churchservices.tv/salisbury>

Fr Chris at St John's, Bath; Masses, Rosary and Adoration: <https://stjohnsrcbath.org.uk>.

Fr Richard at St Catherine's, Frome; now also streaming Mass <https://www.stcatharines.co.uk/> .

Our Lady of Walsingham; 24 hour coverage of devotions: <https://www.churchservices.tv/walsingham>

CAFOD hosts a live online [children's liturgy](#) for families, on Sundays at 10.00 am.

**Collections:** Some parishioners have asked how they can continue to make their offerings while our churches are closed. This will be much appreciated. If you normally put cash or a cheque in the collection plate during Mass, you could now donate via your bank. If you currently pay by standing order, this will continue as usual unless you tell your bank to vary it. We realise that the current emergency is affecting many people's income and they may not be able to continue their present level of offerings; in which case, we fully understand and our prayers are with you. Payments can be made direct to our parish bank account via Internet or telephone banking. You can make individual payments whenever you like, or you can set up a Standing Order. If you would like to pay directly into our parish account- please email [treasurer.melksham.stanthonyofpadua@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:treasurer.melksham.stanthonyofpadua@cliftondiocese.com) providing your name and telephone number and we will contact you with the necessary details.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** We have received the following message from the Diocese: As you are all aware, we are experiencing very unusual circumstances both here in the UK and in France due to the Coronavirus. When considering any group pilgrimage, the paramount importance is the safety and wellbeing of our pilgrims and assisted pilgrims. With this in mind, the Bishop has made the difficult decision to cancel the Clifton Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. We will be contacting those who have already enquired to inform them. Deacon Paul Thompson

**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, Patrick Egan, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, Keith Healy, Alan Glass, Tricia Rigg, Henie Dixon, Brian Hillhouse, June Carey. All those 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.**

**Diocesan Newsletter:** If you would like to receive the Diocesan electronic newsletter, please visit their web page <https://cliftondiocese.com/>, scroll down the page to where it says "Stay in the Loop!" and follow the instructions given to subscribe.

**Wordsearch – Third Sunday of Easter:**

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| ABANDONED   | GROUP     | RAISED       |
| ALIVE       | INSTANT   | RESURRECTION |
| BURN        | JERUSALEM | SCRIPTURES   |
| CLEOPAS     | JESUS     | SIDE         |
| COMPANIONS  | MEN       | SLOW         |
| CORRUPTIBLE | MIRACLES  | TABLE        |
| DISCUSSING  | PATH      | TIME         |
| FREE        | PETER     | TONGUE       |
| GOING       | PRESSED   |              |

The remaining letters describe the main place of action in the Gospel - - - - / - - / - - - - -  
 The remaining word from Divine Mercy Sunday was "Salvation"

Hilary Clifton

*Just some thoughts...;*

My cat has just asked me if I wanted the radio left on while he went out.....

The other day the priest came to call. He said at my time of life I should be thinking about the hereafter. I told him that I did that all the time, whether I'm in the kitchen or the dining room, bedroom or the garden. I stop and think: "What am I here after?"

*Words of Wisdom ....*

Courage is fear that has said its prayers.

If at first you don't succeed - you will get a lot of advice.

A woman describing her husband to a friend: "He's the kind of man who always hits the nail right on the thumb".

**A message from Missio:** "Thank you from Missio and Mill Hill for your parish gift of £220.72. Through your Red Box or regular gifts, you are a missionary, helping spread God's work and share God's love for all his people. Thank you for your time, your gifts and your prayers for our brothers and sisters across the world. As a member of the Red Box family you will be held in prayer at Mass each day by the Missio Hill community and at Missio's chapel in London. Find out more about what your gift contributes to at <https://missio.org.uk/>."

Fr Anthony Chantry

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