



Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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Diary

Sunday 3rd February	Fourth 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 4th February	Mothers' Prayers 10.30 in the hall
Tuesday 5th February	Rosary in the Church 10.30
Wednesday 6th February	Morning Prayer 9.45am; Morning Mass 10.00am; Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions; Breaking Open and Sharing the Word
Thursday 7th February	Adoration 10.00am – 7.00pm
Friday 8th February	Morning Prayer 9.30am Prayer Group 7.30pm
Saturday 9th February	Morning Prayer 9.45am Morning Mass 10.00 am

Sundays Year C-1; Psalter Week 4

Readings: Reading 1 – Jeremiah 1: 17-19

Psalm Refrain – My lips will tell of your help.

Reading 2 – 1 Corinthians 12: 31-13:13

Gospel – Luke 4: 21-30

Collections: Sunday 27th January £156.65. This week there will be a retiring collection for the building fund

Mothers' Prayers Thanksgiving Mass – 16th February: Mothers Prayer group invites all women in the parish to a Thanksgiving Mass on the 16th of February. Mass will be followed by breakfast and a talk by Fr Paul Gonsalves.

Holy Land Pilgrimage for young Catholics (18-35ish) 24th July – 2nd August 2019: Arranged by Downside Abbey and Clifton Diocese Vocations Ministry. Visit many Holy Christian sites, together with archeological and cultural places of interest in Israel and the Palestinian Territories. Contact Rina at rinabird@outlook.com for a full itinerary, pricing and a booking form. Approximate price is £1,000.

March 2nd CYMFed Flame: This the biggest Catholic Youth Event in the UK at Wembley Arena. All young people of Secondary school age are invited to join Bishop Declan and thousands of young people from across the UK at the fantastic event. To buy your ticket visit www.cliftondiocese.com and click on the Flame logo. Download the booking forms and parental consent. Email: youth@cliftondiocese.com for more information.

Vacancy for OPAS Support Administrator: To support the Curial Finance team implement a new online accounting system (OPAS) for all parishes. Additional support is needed in the Finance team over the next twelve months to help train and support parishes with the new system, as well as general administrative support within the Finance team. Full training on OPAS will be provided. The role is a full-time, fixed term contract for twelve months, salary up to £22,000 depending on experience. The role is based at Alexander House, Bristol but there may occasionally be a need to travel to parishes throughout the Diocese. Please email St Anthony's parish (email address as above) if you would like a copy of the job description and an application form. **The deadline for applications is Wednesday 13th February.**

Wednesday 6th February – talk on Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery: You are invited to come to a talk at St Nicholas of Tolentino Church, Lawford's Gate, Bristol BS5 0RE on Wednesday 6th February. This has been jointly sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Clifton, St Nicholas of Tolentino Church and the (national) Santa Marta Group and is offered to clergy and members of all Christian traditions, ecumenically. Come and learn from speakers who are experts in the field. Arrivals from 6.30pm (refreshments) beginning at 7.00pm, concluding at 9.00pm – to raise awareness of the issues and explore what we can do together to combat this crime and support its victims.

Wednesday 13th February: There will be a Finance Committee meeting on 13th February.

Prayer for Melksham 2019: Please note from January 2019, monthly Prayer for Melksham will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 08.00 am. The next occasion will be on 27th February at St Michael's Church. **Please support Prayer for Melksham.**

Mary's Meals – Double the Love: Every pound we donate will be doubled by the Government in 2019.

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, Les Warren, 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.

Items and information for the newsletter should be sent 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.*

Future dates for your diary:

Melksham Family of Churches AGM – 11th February, United Church

Mothers' Prayers Thanksgiving Mass – 16th February

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting – 21st February

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

International Evening – 2nd March