



# 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.**

Fr Vincent is looking forward to seeing us again. He continues to say Mass and pray for us every day.

## **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June: Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity**

**Word:** Ex 34: 4-6, 8-9; Dn 3; 2Cor 13: 11-13; Jn 3: 16-18

**Hours:** Psalter 2 and Proper of Solemnity. Page 433

### **Prayers of the Faithful for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity**

While we live in uncertain times we can be certain of the love of the Risen Christ and so we pray for:

Unity of effort for all concerned in the battle against the coronavirus across the world

Just and true peace, especially in the United States

Secure employment

Space and time to grieve for those who have lost family or friends

The parishes of the St Catherine, Frome, St Dominic, Mells and for St Michael here in Melksham

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, may we come to share in some of that unique unity of heart, mind and purpose. We ask this through the love of the Father, the obedience of the Son and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Hilary Clifton.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June: Word:** 1Kgs 17: 1-6; Psalm 120; Mt 5: 1-12

**Hours:** Psalter 2

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June: Word:** 1Kgs 17: 7-16; Psalm 4; Mt 5: 13-16.

**Hours:** Psalter 2

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June: Word:** 1Kgs 18: 20-39; Psalm 15; Mt 5:17-19.

**Hours:** Psalter 2

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June: Memorial of St Barnabas, Apostle**

**Word:** Acts 11: 21-26, 13: 1-3; Psalm 64; Mt 5:20-26

**Hours:** Psalter 2

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June: Word:** 1Kgs 19: 9, 11-16; Psalm 26; Mt 5: 27-32

**Hours:** Psalter 2

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June: Memorial of St Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church**

**Word:** 1Kgs 19: 19-21; Psalm 15; Mk 1t 5: 33-37

**Hours:** Psalter 2

Fr Vincent will be saying private Mass in St Anthony of Padua Church today. At the end of the newsletter is a prayer you may like to keep and say as we join him spiritually and pray with him in our homes.

**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.

**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. We realise that the current emergency is affecting

many people's income and they may not be able 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. 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. Thank you.

**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.**

**Wordsearch – Most Holy Trinity Sunday:**

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G	A	V	E	L	A	G	J	O	H	N	S
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D	L	O	H	O	O	O	R	I	E	N	N
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P	T	E	L	N	R	T	L	C	T	C	U
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| ALREADY      | GAVE       | PEOPLE  |
| CONDEMN      | GAZE       | SAINTS  |
| CORINTHIANS  | GRACE      | TABLETS |
| DEPTHS       | HEADSTRONG | TEMPLE  |
| ETERNAL      | JOHN       | THRONE  |
| FAITHFULNESS | KISS       | TRUE    |
| FATHERS      | MIGHT      | WORLD   |
| FAULTS       | MOSES      |         |
| FORGIVE      | NICODEMUS  |         |

Remember it's just the words in the list that need eliminating. The remaining letters describe the mystery of today's feast: - - - - / - - / - - - Last week's words were - Holy Spirit Hilary Clifton

*Just some thoughts – extracts from Church bulletins:*

- The Fasting and Prayer Conference includes meals
- Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children
- The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

In other news: "The Seven Dwarfs have been told that from Monday they can meet in groups of six. One of them isn't Happy" via Hilary Clifton

Words of Wisdom:

### **Prayer from Six Directions**

In an unhurried fashion, one greets the six directions in prayer.

We turn to the *east* and face the rising sun. God is praised for the gift of new life, of new days, of youth, of beginnings.

Turning towards the *south*, thanks are given for those people, events and things which warm our lives and help us to grow and develop.

The sun sets in the *west*, and so we praise God for sunsets, nights, for the endings of our lives.

As we face the *north*, we remember the challenges and difficulties of life.

Bending down to touch mother *earth*, we praise the Creator for the things that sustain our lives.

Finally, as we gaze into the *sky*, we thank God for our hopes and dreams.

Centred in the Creator's universe, we remember God's mighty deeds in our lives and can thus move  
future.

*"The Living Spirit"*, Michael Galvin

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### **Any Comments?**

***Is there anything you would particularly like to see included in the weekly newsletter, while we are unable to gather together to worship? Please send any comments to the email address below, or 'phone the office on 01225 702128 and leave a message. Thank you.***

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

## Prayer to your Guardian Angel when you can't attend Mass

O HOLY ANGEL at my side,  
Go to church for me,  
Kneel in my place, at Holy Mass,  
Where I desire to be.

At **Offertory**, in my stead,  
Take all I am and own,  
And place it as a sacrifice  
Upon the Altar Throne.

At **Holy Consecration's bell**,  
Adore with Seraph's love,  
My Jesus hidden in the Host,  
Come down from Heaven above.

Then pray for those I dearly love,  
And those who cause me grief,  
That Jesus' Blood may cleanse all hearts,  
And suffering souls relieve.

And when the **priest Communion** takes,  
Oh, bring my Lord to me,  
That His sweet Heart may rest on mine,  
And I His temple be.

Pray that this **Sacrifice Divine**,  
May mankind's sins efface;  
Then bring me Jesus' blessing home,  
The pledge of every grace. *Amen*