



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Churchdown Gloucester

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| Sunday 22th April 2018 – Fourth Week of Easter. | | |
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| DPL: St. Dunstan, Somerton, St. Joseph, Langport, Holy Ghost, Yeovil with South Petherton. | | |
| | Services this week | In the Church Hall |
| Sun. 22 th April <i>Third Sunday of Sunday</i> | 8.30 am Mass: Margaret West-Sadler R.I.P 10.30 am Mass pro populo 12 noon Baptism : Imogen Perks | COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm |
| Mon. 23 th April | 9.00 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am Mass | Craft and Coffee group All Welcome - term time 9am – 11am |
| Tues. 24 th April | 11:30 Requiem for Margaret West-Sadler (Adrian has asked that people wear colors, not black please) | Coffee Club after Mass Refreshments after Requiem Mass |
| Wed. 25 th April <i>Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist</i> | 6.30 pm Exposition 7.00 pm Mass | Our Ladybirds Stay and Play group All welcome - term time 9am – 11am SVP Group – 1 st Wed of mth at 6.30pm Justice & Peace – 1 st Weds of mth 7.30pm Private Hire – 2 nd Weds of mth 6.30pm |
| Thur. 26 th April | 9:00 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am <u>Mass</u> | HALL HIRE: If you would like to book the church Hall please phone the parish office: 01452 713254 |
| Fri. 27 th April | 9:00 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am Mass: Bernard Hastings R.I.P 10am-7:30 pm St Mary's School in Church | Meditation Group from 1pm PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm |
| Sat. 28 st April <i>Memorial of St. Anselm.</i> | 9:00am Morning Prayer 9:15am Mass 9:45-10:15am Confessions 11 am-4pm: FHC Retreat Day | PRIVATE HIRE 2pm – 4pm |
| Sun. 29 nd April <i>Fourty Sunday of Easter</i> | 8.30 am Mass: People of the Parish 10.30 am Mass Baptism Preparation session in St Mary's school following 10:30 am Mass | COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm |

In our prayers

Anniversaries: Kathleen Duncliffe (23rd), Eric Creasey (23rd), John Hall (24th), Justine Long (24th), Angela Walker (25st), Cecily Richards (25th), Eunice May Jones (26th), Leon Gill (26th), Irene Regan (26th), Sheila Taylor (26th) Ronald James West-Sadler (26th), Mary Sullivan (28th), Anthony Padden (29th).

Prayers for the sick: Pat Crompton, Consolacion De Dios Blanco, Carol Benson, Wynn McGhee, Terry Poole, Ian Vilanueva, Vicky Dunn, Natalie Edwards, Nigel Lamb, Doreen Baker, Anna Ryder, Keian Andersonn, Brian Phillips, Maria Kent, Edith Cull, Christopher Brown, Thomas Jayaseelan, Gordon Palmer, Michelle Cooke, Caitlin Godden, Alex Geddes, Maggie Hansell, Joan Geraghty, Bernadette Metcalf, Martin Thomas, Rebecca Lansdown, Angela Woulfe, Peter Kost, Kerrie Lane, Ian Wright, Nathan Wright, Carol While, Theresa Cooper, Geraldine Armitage and Pat O'Connor.



We welcome everyone who is joining us today, and hope that you find it helpful to spend five minutes of silence and reflection before Mass: *We pray the Diocesan Prayer together :*

God our Father, open the horizons of our minds and hearts so that we can see what hope your call holds for us. Pour out the overflowing gifts of your Spirit so that we, your church, may become a people of hope for our world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Lady, Woman of Hope, pray for us. St Peter, Rock of Hope, pray for us. St Paul, Apostle of Hope, pray for us.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION for 15th April 2018 amounted to £479.95 + £300.95 = £780.90. Catholic Children's soc: 101.70. Thank you for your generosity.

Next Sunday there will be a Second Collection for the Clergy Training fund. Envelopes "Clergy Training Fund 2018" are available this Sunday. Please take a leaflet.

A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE – Mission

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our second reading for this *Good Shepherd Sunday* speaking of the lavish outpouring of God's love upon us. He calls us his children and he reveals himself to us as a loving parent. But St John also articulates all that we are called to be as God's children and as a people of mission. We are called to be like God, we are called to echoes of who he is, reflections of his parental care. Our world at times cries out to know God's loving, shepherd presence. We can allow the world to know God is near as we allow others to contemplate the love and compassion of the Father in the face of those who call themselves disciples. If we want to know the tender face of God, then we need to gaze upon Jesus. If we want to see the tender face of God's image, then surely, we should look upon the face of those who are his friends. Let the tender smile of God radiate upon those around you this week... through you!

Please follow the links below to find interesting and useful resources:

Videos – A Year of St Mark: <https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/future-full-hope/a-year-with-st-mark/>

For more information visit the Diocesan website:

<http://www.cliftondiocese.com/presentation-year-mission-resource-clifton-cathedral-29-november/>

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Year of Mission presentation and reflection planned at 7pm on 17th May.

Pentecost Retreat 'Holiness for Normal People.' Led by Fr. Aidan Murray S.D.B. 18th – 20th May at Brownhill, GL6 8AL Cost: £85. Please contact : Tom Heseltine 01989 750665 See poster for more details

Network – FOODBANK Thank you to everybody who supports the foodbank. Copies of the current Newsletter are available in the narthex.

Children's Liturgy takes place during the 10:30am Mass on Sundays in the parish hall. It enables the younger children to hear the Word of God at their level. It is an enjoyable and rewarding ministry. If you would like to join the team and assist with helping the children to understand the Gospel please give your name to Fr. Paul.

A Day with Mary at Clifton Cathedral on Sat. 28th April 10am – 5:30pm. See poster.



BAPTISM: If you are seeking Baptism for your child, at Our Lady's, we prepare parents and Godparents over four sessions. You will be invited to attend Sunday 10:30 Mass followed by an hour's formation session with other families seeking baptism. Sessions are held at St Mary's Primary school. The course is run by catechists who will journey with you during this formation period.

Details of Baptism Courses during 2018: * 29th April / 6th May / 13th May / 20th May * 9th Sept / 16th Sept / 23rd Sept / 30th Sept * **Please phone or email the Parish Office to register for the course, to arrange a date for the baptism and to obtain a baptism application form.** Telephone: 01452 713254 Email: churchdown.ourladys@cliftondiocese.com

Would you like to become part of Our Lady's Baptism Preparation team? We are looking for new people to journey alongside the families who are seeking Baptism for their children. It is very relaxed course, giving the parents a chance to think about what being part of the Church means for them and their families.

Our next course starts 29th April. If you think this might be something you would like to get involved in, why not come along and see what it is all about?

If you have any questions, please contact Katherine Wadley via the parish office.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2018 – 24th – 31st August 2018

Bishop Declan invited you to take part in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes which will be led this year by Mgr Liam Slattery VG. (Coach & Ambulance leaving on 23rd August from St Teresa's, Filton. Transfers from Toulouse airport possible – please contact pilgrimage director, Deacon David Wakefield for further details. Tel 07711 834800 or email lourdes@cliftondiocese.com

PRINKNASH EVENTS: April 29th 3pm: Rosary in the Coast Uk. Come and join us at Prinknash in the Monastery chapel. Confession will be heard. www.prinknashabbey.org-www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk

PRINKNASH EVENTS: May 5th 11am-2:30 pm: Divine Mercy Retreat Day - Theme: The Power of Prayer - led by Father Abbot Martin McLaughlin O.S.B. 11:00am: Mass in Meeting Room- Break for lunch - either own packed lunch, or purchase from Monastery Cafe. 1.00pm to 2.30pm: Talk and Prayers.

May 12th: The Gospel of John - Father Abbot Martin McLaughlin O.S.B. - 10.30am to 12 noon in the Meeting Room- 2.00pm-4.00pm "Exploring the Essentials of Catholicism" - Dr. Sarah Richards

OUR LADY OF LOURDES EVENTS 3rd May 2018- 7.30 pm: Our Lady of Lourdes is starting a monthly evening of music and talk to share faith and encouragement. The first one is on the 3rd May 2018 at 7.30 pm with our own visiting priest FR John Eze, he is going to tell us about his spiritual journey and how prayer is important to him. We have arranged speaker for the first Thursday of each month for the next year. Perhaps you would like to share our journey and see where God take us as we learn of other people's experiences in faith and prayer.

CAFOD school volunteers needed!

Could you spare some time to volunteer with **CAFOD and help children and young people** learn about global poverty, and motivate them to take action? We are looking for **volunteers in the Glastonbury and Salisbury areas** to visit Catholic schools and parish groups. For further information please contact **Liz Baldwin at CAFOD Clifton on 01179 428 328 or email clifton@cafod.org.uk**

CAFOD school volunteers needed!

Could you visit your local Catholic school to **talk about the work of CAFOD**? We are looking for **volunteers in the Glastonbury and Salisbury areas** to give a short presentation or talk about the work of CAFOD and **inspire children and young people** to make a difference. For further information please contact **Liz Baldwin at CAFOD Clifton on 01179 428 328 or email clifton@cafod.org.uk**.

Newman Association: There will be a talk on **Tuesday 1 May at 7.30pm**, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. **John Smith will speak to us on Encounters with Animists.** All are welcome. Admission: £3 (members & students free)

St John's Seminary-Wonersh: can You help us?

The Seminary, near Guildford, Surrey is looking for some help with the cost of re-decoration and refurbishment of 30 of its bedrooms, which have received little or no upgrading for 40+years. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget, and there are no funds available for this much-needed work, which could cost in the region of £2000 per room.

If you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to St John's Seminary to: Mgr Gerry Ewing (Vice-Rector), St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX. **Thank you so much!**

200 CLUB DRAWS – MARCH/APRIL 2018

March

| <u>PRIZE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>WINNER</u> | <u>TICKET NO</u> |
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| 1 ST | £230 | A. ALTHAM | 164 |
| 2nd | £120 | A. MCGUIRE | 186 |
| 3 RD | £60 | C. MAGILL | 46 |

APRIL

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| 2nd | £120 | J. JUICO | 137 |
| 3 RD | £60 | A. GINLEY | 41 |

PUBLICATIONS Bible Alive, May issue £2:50, My Day By Day, May edition FREE, Walk With Me

Requiescat In Pace Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret West-Sadler. Her Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 24th April at 11:30am.

HOSPITAL STAY: The Hospital Chaplains have no way of checking if a particular person is in hospital. Therefore, it is essential that individuals and families let either the parish or the chaplaincy know if somebody is in hospital and Father Frank can follow it up. To leave a message on the chaplaincy answer phone, kindly call 0300 422 4286 for Cheltenham or 0300422 6200 for Gloucester, stating clearly the name of the Catholic Patient, and, if known, what ward they are on. If you know that you are going in to hospital, please ask one of the Priests to give you the Sacrament of the Sick before going in.



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Parish Office open Tuesday - Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm. Please submit items for the Bulletin to the Presbytery by WEDNESDAY.

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