



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Churchdown Gloucester

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Sunday 4th June 2017 – Ninth Week of Ordinary Time ~ Solemnity of Pentecost

Sun 4 Jun	8.30 a.m. Mass: People of the Parish 10.30 a.m. Mass: Michael Brooks (RIP) COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 a.m. Mass every Sunday	DPL: Alexander House / Diocesan Departments
Mon. 5 Jun	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Vocations to the priesthood and religious life	Memorial of St Boniface
Tues. 6 Jun	7.00 p.m. Confirmation Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wed. 7 Jun	7.00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30 p.m. Mass: Private Intention	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Thur. 8 Jun	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Sylvie Johns (RIP)	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Fri. 9 Jun	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Joan Jukes (Ints)	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Sat. 10 Jun	Confessions: 9.45 a.m. – 10.15 a.m. or on request 12.00 p.m. Confirmation & First Communion Mass	25 th Anniversary of the Consecration of our church
Sun 11 Jun	8.30 a.m. Mass: People of the Parish 10.30 a.m. Mass: Celebration of the 25 th Anniversary of the Consecration of our church COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 a.m. Mass every Sunday	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Andrew Jones (4th), Joan Lowe (4th), Dorothy Finlayson (5th), Christina Ferron (6th), Terry Rogers (6th), Maureen Gardner (7th), Matt Bird (7th), Thomas Barron (11th), Winifred Hunt (11th) and Peter Geraghty (11th)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS: Pat Crompton, Consolacion De Dios Blanco, Carol Benson, Wynne 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, Jo Beamish, Alex Geddes, Maggie Hansell, Joan Geraghty, Bernadette Metcalf, Martin Thomas, Judi Figgures, Rebecca Lansdown, Angela Woulfe, Peter Kost and Margaret West-Sadler



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:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created and You shall renew the face of the earth.

Amen

OFFERTORY COLLECTION for 21st May 2017 amounted to £459 + £350 = £809

Thank you for your generosity

TODAY there will be a second collection for the Priests Retirement Fund

IMPORTANT SECURITY NOTICE

Following reports of recent thefts of personal belongings during services at other locations, Parishioners are advised to keep their bags/valuables with them, even when coming up for communion.



Baptism: This weekend, through Baptism we welcome Alondra Huerta into the Church and pray that they and their family will find joy and peace as members of our Christian family.

FAITH & LIGHT (Gloucester Community): MEET FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH (2nd July)

A Christian Association that brings together people with special needs, their families and friends. **Meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month** in Our Lady's church hall, Cheltenham Road East, Churchdown. Contact Fr. Kevin by email kevin.hennessey@priest.cliftondiocese.com or on 01452 713254 or Shelley Sullivan on 07808608991 or Shelley1270@gmail.com



200 CLUB DRAW - The April draw took place on Sunday 21 May and the lucky winners were:



<u>PRIZE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>TICKET NO</u>
1 ST	£230	R. Chapman	234
2 nd	£120	C. Juico	137
3 RD	£60	J. Jukes	58

GENERAL ELECTION: The Bishops of England and Wales are encouraging Catholics to play an active part in the General Election. While voting for any particular political party is a matter of conscience, the bishops encourage people to use their vote at this pivotal time for our nations, as we prepare to leave the European Union. More information can be found here: <http://catholicnews.org.uk/election17-bishops-message-news> and there are some copies of the letter available in the Narthex.

FR KEVIN HENNESSEY: Fr Kevin will be leaving our parish in early September to become Parish Priest of Corpus Christi parish in Weston-Super-Mare. After 12 years of being a wonderful parish priest here at Our Lady's we wish him well in his new ministry and **we look forward to welcoming Fr Paul Brandon**, who will be joining us from Sacred Heart Parish in Charlton Kings.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those being Confirmed on Tuesday evening and those being Confirmed and making their First Holy Communion on Saturday Morning:

Lord, strengthen all with Your gift of grace to love and serve as disciples of Christ. Grant that they may grow into the fullness of the stature of Christ. Fill them with the joy of Your presence. Increase in them the Fruits of your Spirit: the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of love, patience and gentleness, the Spirit of wonder and true holiness. **Amen.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES: 34 children from our parish will be making their First Holy Communion during the 10.30 a.m. Masses on **18th and 25th June**. All parishioners are welcome to these Masses but, as you know, they can be very busy and, for your comfort, you may consider attending the 8.30 a.m. Mass on these two Sundays.



Silver Jubilee Celebration ~ Sunday 11th June



This June, Our Lady's will be celebrating the Silver Jubilee of the Consecration of our Church. As part of these celebrations, on Sunday 11th June, there will be a special 10.30am Mass, followed by a Parish Picnic on St. Mary's school field (weather permitting). Please bring your own picnic lunch. Tea, coffee and cake will be available. *Please contact the office if you would be able to volunteer to make cakes or to help on the day.*

Our **Past and resent RCIA candidates** will be celebrating Our Lady's Silver Jubilee on **Saturday 17th June** at 5pm in the Church. There will be a short Liturgy of the Word followed by food and drink in the Church Hall – please bring a plate to share. All are welcome to join in this special occasion.

TAIZÉ SERVICES: Wednesdays 7.30pm as follows - 7th June Life in the Spirit, **5th July** a Meditation on Justice, **6th September** Prayers for healing, **4th October** Creationtide, **1st November** All Saints, **6th December** praying for the light. St Mary de Lode Church, St Mary's Square, Gloucester GL1 2QX. Please see poster in the Narthex for further information.



OUR LADY'S PARISH CRAFT GROUP: Mondays 9-11am. It is a perfect opportunity for you to have time out in the busy week to either learn a new skill or work on that craft project that you've been meaning to start/finish. It's open to everyone of any age and ability. We have tea, coffee, cake etc. There is no charge for the sessions however donations are very welcome towards refreshments and the up-keep of the hall. Just bring yourselves and any materials you may need (patterns, books/magazines and swap box available).
Natalie Edwards.



OUR LADYBIRDS STAY AND PLAY CAFÉ: Wednesdays 9am - 11am.

All are welcome. This will be a relaxed environment to bring your little ones where you can have breakfast (toast, fruit, cereal, porridge) and a chance to catch up with other parents. There will be plenty of activities for the children. Please come and join us.
Thank you, Betsy

CHERNOBYL CHILDREN'S PROJECT ~ FUNDRAISING ZIMBE CONCERT: Sunday June 11th at 7.30 pm here at Our Lady's church. **FREE ENTRY** – donation on the night to raise funds to bring over 10 children from Belarus who are in remission from cancer/leukaemia from living in the contaminated area. We need to raise £3,000 in order to pay for their visas and travel. Donations will be gratefully received from people unable to attend the concert. Refreshments will be served in the narthex after the concert. If anyone knows the music and would like to join in singing with us, please let me know. Donations accepted! There will also be some instrumental chamber music to begin the concert. If you have a small chamber group who would like to play a short item please do contact me.
Helen Marcus 01452 855890 or helenmarcus@blueyonder.co.uk

TEWKESBURY ABBEY ~ BE GLAD AND REJOICE: City of Birmingham Choir, **Saturday 17th June at 7pm.** An opportunity to enjoy a midsummer concert of uplifting choral and organ music. Tickets £15 & £20. Buy online from www.citychoir.org.uk or direct from Tewkesbury Abbey Shop 01684 856148. See poster/leaflets in the Narthex for more information.

DAY OF STUDY AND REFLECTION: CONTEMPLATIVE PRACTICE IN THE MODERN WORLD led by Canon Patrick Woodhouse. **Saturday 17th June, 10am – 3pm** at St Nicholas church, Swindon Lane, Cheltenham GL50 4PA. Cost £12. To reserve a place contact Mrs Gay Robins email: gabrielle.robins@btinternet.com or tel: 01452 611215.
www.snflos.org.uk



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 2017:** * Sunday 2nd July, 9th July, 16th July, 23rd July * Sunday 24th September, 1st October, 8th October, 15th October. **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@parish.cliftondiocese.com

LEARNING TO HEAR GOD'S VOICE: Saturday 8th July, 10am – 3pm at St Catharine's Church, Gloucester, GL2 0RR. Speaker Mark Aldridge. **Admission FREE**, but please register at <https://stcatsglos.eventbrite.co.uk> See poster in the Narthex for more information.

"Music for a While" : Friday 9th July 7.30pm, Eurythmy Room, Wynstones School, Gloucester. Mezzo-Sopranos Bernadette Johns and Sacha Fullerton, recently graduated choral scholars from Queens College, Oxford and Glasgow Conservatoire (also ex pupils of St. Peters High School, Gloucester) will be performing solos and duets from Handel's Julio Cesare and some German Lieder in this informal recital to be held at Wynstones School, Stroud Road Gloucester. Free Entry, donations please in aid of a local charity. Contact Helen Marcus 01452 855890, helenmarcus@blueyonder.co.uk

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2020: Tickets for the 2020 Passion Play are available with a choice of accommodation packages to suit all tastes and requirements. Call a travel advisor on 01709 385764 or visit www.leger.co.uk/tours/obb for full holiday details.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

DIOCESAN FAMILY DAY – including formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Saturday 1st July at St Brendan's college, Brislington, Bristol. **FREE.** The day seeks to draw a diocesan family (not just families) together in prayer, in formation and reflections. Keynote speakers, workshops and sessions for all ages. The day begins at 10.15am and concludes with Mass at 4pm. Please see the posters and leaflets available in the Narthex or visit www.cliftondiocese.com

******THERE WILL BE A FREE COACH FROM OUR DEANERY – details to follow******

GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE: Sunday 9th July. There is an extensive programme of events at St Mary's church, Glastonbury Abbey, Rosary Procession and Mass in the Abbey - Please see poster in the Narthex for more information or visit www.cliftondiocese.com.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2017: Bishop Declan invites you to join him on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, **Friday 18th – 25th August 2017.** Coach and Jumbulance leave from St Teresa's Filton on **Thursday 17th August 2017.** For further information please see poster in the Narthex or contact Pilgrimage Director, Deacon Dave Wakefield, tel 07711834800 or email lourdes@cliftondiocese.com

YOUTH MINISTRY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 17th – 25th Aug 2017. If you are aged 16+ in August, come and join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes as a young helper, serving and accompanying the pilgrimage. Cost £490 pp with funding support available. Visit: www.cliftondiocese.com/youthministry



OUR LADY'S SVP GROUP: Monthly meetings for members will be held in the Church Hall at 6.30 p.m. **on the FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH** May we draw your attention to our blue SVP Collection Box for anyone wishing to contribute to the work of the Society. Thank you for your continued generous support

HOSPITAL STAY:- If you are going in to hospital please let us know. It is essential that individuals and families let either the parish or the chaplaincy know if somebody is in hospital. To leave a message on the chaplaincy answer phone, 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 are able to see a priest and receive the Sacrament of the Sick before you go to hospital, please do so.



MEDITATION GROUP
Friday's at 1.00pm Our Lady's Church Hall.
All Welcome



If you would like to join our **200 CLUB** please contact Paddy on Glos. 309004 or e-mail: the parish office churchdown.ourladys@parish.cliftondiocese.com



THE BAPTISM TEAM are seeking some new helpers and catechists. No experience is needed, just your enthusiasm as training will be provided. You will be involved in the Baptism formation sessions which are held on four consecutive Sundays in January, April, July and September each year. You will not need to attend all the sessions. If you would like some further information, or are interested in joining, please contact Katherine Wadley via churchdown.ourladys@parish.cliftondiocese.com. Don't be shy and have a go!

PIETY STALL / PARISH GIFT SHOP: WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to help with the stall, particularly at 10.30am Mass. If you can help please contact the parish office by email churchdown.ourladys@parish.cliftondiocese.com or phone 01452 713254.



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Parish Administrator: Elizabeth Thomas. Parish Office open Tuesday - Friday 9.15am – 12pm.

Please submit items for the Bulletin to the Presbytery by WEDNESDAY.

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