



# Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Churchdown Gloucester

Parish Priest: Father Paul Brandon. Tel: 01452-713254

E-mail: [churchdown.ourladys@parish.cliftondiocese.com](mailto:churchdown.ourladys@parish.cliftondiocese.com)



## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017 – Twenty-Sixth Week of Ordinary Time

|             |  |   |
|-------------|--|---|
| Sun. 1 Oct  | 8.30 am Mass: People of the Parish<br>10.30 am Mass: Anna Sood (RIP)<br><b>COFFEE CLUB</b> after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday  | DPL: St Teresa of the Child Jesus Filton /<br>St Vincent de Paul Southmead, Bristol |
| Mon. 2 Oct  | 9.00 am Morning Prayer<br>9.15 am Mass: Fr Basil Postlethwaite (RIP)   | Memorial of the Holy Guardian<br>Angels   |
| Tues. 3 Oct | 9.00 am Morning Prayer<br>9.15 am Mass: Nellie Walsh (RIP)<br><b>COFFEE CLUB</b> after Mass                                  | Weekday in Ordinary Time  |
| Wed. 4 Oct  | 6.30 pm Exposition & Rosary<br>7.00 pm Mass: Peace, the Poor and Care of Creation  | Memorial of St Francis of Assisi  |
| Thur. 5 Oct | 9.00 am Morning Prayer<br>9.15 am Mass: Private Intention  | Weekday in Ordinary Time  |
| Fri. 6 Oct  | 9.00 am Morning Prayer<br>9.15 am Mass: Private Intention  | Weekday in Ordinary Time  |
| Sat. 7 Oct  | 9.00 am Morning Prayer<br>9.15 am Mass: Sean Trafford (RIP)<br>Confessions 9.45am – 10.15am                                  | Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary  |
| Sun. 8 Oct  | 8.30 am Mass: People of the Parish<br>10.30 am Mass: Joan Byrne (RIP)<br><b>COFFEE CLUB</b> after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday | Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary<br>Time   |

**\*\* NEXT WEEK there will be evening Mass on TUESDAY instead of WEDNESDAY \*\***

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

Mary Nurse (2<sup>nd</sup>); Catherine Pinney (3<sup>rd</sup>), Leslie Freeman (5<sup>th</sup>), Renaldo Capaldi (5<sup>th</sup>), Eva Simpson (6<sup>th</sup>),  
Ivy Nutting (7<sup>th</sup>), Muriel Leslie-Smith (8<sup>th</sup>) and Pauline Parson (8<sup>th</sup>)

**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, Alex Geddes, Maggie Hansell, Joan Geraghty, Bernadette Metcalf, Martin Thomas, Judi Figures, Rebecca Lansdown, Angela Woulfe, Peter Kost, Margaret West-Sadler, Kerrie Lane, Ian Wright, Carol While, Theresa Cooper and Geraldine Armitage.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION for 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017 amounted to £391 + £398 = £789**

**Second collection for Home Mission Sunday amounted to £94 Thank you for your generosity**

**NEXT WEEK** there will be a Collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day – envelope attached to this week's bulletin

### CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is Friday 6 October 2017

This Harvest Fast Day, we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training, and strong seeds. Please pick up a Fast Day envelope, fast this Friday and give what you can.



**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:**

God of love, open our ears to listen to your word. Lead us to help one another and to live our lives as you ask us to. We ask this through Christ our Lord, **Amen**



### R I P

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Martyn White who died recently.  
 Please remember too, his family and friends at this difficult time.  
 Martin's Funeral Mass will take place here at 2.30pm  
 on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017



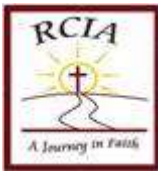
***"May He Rest In Peace"***

### GIFT AID & DONATIONS

The Gift Aid Scheme allows the Parish to reclaim additional money from the Inland Revenue - if you pay UK tax you are eligible to gift aid your donation and this provides extra revenue to the Parish without actually increasing your donation. It really is a lost opportunity if you are UK Tax payer. I am happy to give any advice to new and existing parishioners. **Contact Carol Magill, Parish Gift Aid Administrator**, email: [cazzamagill@live.co.uk](mailto:cazzamagill@live.co.uk) tel: 01452-714461 / 07793-110284. Thank you once again. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### ANNUAL MASS COUNT...

During **October** we count the number of people who attend Mass for National Statistics.



### INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process which is primarily aimed at people who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith. If you would like to know more about the Catholic faith or are thinking of becoming a Catholic, you are invited to attend the RCIA process, which are informal weekly meetings where you can learn more about the Catholic Church and find out what it means to be a Catholic. Meetings are held every Tuesday evening during Term Time. (Start date to be confirmed.) For further details, please contact the office on 01452 713254



**OUR LADY'S PARISH COFFEE AND CRAFT GROUP: Every Monday 8.45am-11am** in the parish hall. Teas and coffees available for a donation – pop in and join us for a chat and maybe to try a new craft. **ALL WELCOME**



**OUR LADYBIRDS STAY AND PLAY CAFÉ: Every Wednesday 9am - 11am.** We invite families and parishioners to join us in the parish hall of Our Lady's Churchdown for a stay and play session. A nutritious breakfast/light snack available for both parent/carer and child (we do ask for a small donation towards this cost), as well as lovely toys & activities. (If you would like to volunteer a little of your time & be part of our friendly team or have any questions please contact either Katherine Wadley or

Natalie Edwards 07805675997/01452678565) **ALL WELCOME**



**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:** If you have made your first communion and would like to train to be an altar server, please come along. It is also a great opportunity to refresh your training too!

**REGISTRATION will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 3.30pm** and will take about 15 minutes (parents will need to stay). If you are already an altar server and would like to continue in this role please contact the Parish office for an altar server form.

**TRAINING for new altar servers** will take place in the church on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September** at 3.30pm and **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September** at 3.30pm for about an hour each time. You will need to attend all the sessions. To book a place please contact the parish office churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftdiocese.com. **All welcome**



**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



**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 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](mailto:churchdown.ourladys@parish.cliftondiocese.com)

**St Peter's Catholic High School & Sixth Form Centre Open Week :** Our **Open Days** run from **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017** when you are welcome to come and see the school in operation. Tours of the school on these days commence at 10.30 am and 1.50 pm. The Principal will speak to parents after their tour, at 11.00 am and 2.20 pm. **Open Evening** will be held on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October** from 6.30 pm until 8.30 pm. The Principal will address parents at 6.45 pm and 8.00 pm (you may choose which time to attend). We very much hope you will be able to visit the school on one of these occasions.

**NEWMAN ASSOCIATION:** There will be a talk on **Tuesday 3 October at 7.30 pm**, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. **Anne Harriss** will speak on **Mary and the Prophets**. All are welcome. Admission: £3 for Visitors, students free. Enquires to Stephanie Jamison, tel: 01242 539810.

**TAIZÉ SERVICES: Wednesdays 7.30pm as follows - 4<sup>th</sup> October** Creationtide, **1<sup>st</sup> November** All Saints, **6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**PRINKNASH ABBEY: October 7th Our Lady of the Rosary** - Rosary, Mass in the Chapel. Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Grotto 12 noon - 1.45 pm; **October 14th in Meeting Room - History of Christianity:** The Reformation in Britain 10.30 am. Exploring Faith: St. Thomas More & St. Margaret Clitherow 2pm; **October 21st Retreat Day** – Precious in God's Eyes: Time out to Restore hope and confidence. 10.30 am in Meeting Room. Mass 12 noon in Chapel. 2.30 - 3pm. Adoration in Chapel.

**A DAY WITH MARY: Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 10am – 5.30pm, Buckfast Abbey.** A day of instruction, devotion and intercession, based on the message given at Fatima in 1917. Please see poster in the narthex for more information or visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org)

**CELEBRATING THE CENTENARY OF THE BIRTH OF A MODERN MARTYR! 'ROMERO - HEARTBEAT OF EL SALVADOR' - THE PLAY:** **Thursday 19th October at 7.30pm at St Nicholas of Tolentino Church** (Lawford's Gate, Bristol BS5 0RE). 'Rise Theatre' is a professional Christian Theatre company who are coming to Bristol to present this play about a great modern martyr who courageously spoke truth to power and defended the poor of his land at the cost of his own life. Suitable for children aged 11+. Tickets are £10.00 (family tickets £25.00). For tickets please go on-line [www.ticketsource.co.uk/risetheatre](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/risetheatre) . All proceeds (after expenses) will be shared between CAFOD and Borderlands charities. Free parking in church car park accessed on Pennywell Road).

**MISSIO APF / MILL HILL (RED BOX) MASSES AROUND THE DIOCESE:** Please see poster in the Narthex for all dates, however the nearest one to our parish is **7pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November at St Thomas More**, Princess Elizabeth Way, Cheltenham GL51 7RA followed by Missio/Mill Hill Missionaries presentation and light refreshments. Please visit [www.missio.org.uk](http://www.missio.org.uk) or [www.millhillmissionaries.com](http://www.millhillmissionaries.com) for more information. **World Mission Sunday is 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017**

**DIOCESAN EVENT: LIVING STONES – RETREAT DAYS FOR CATECHISTS & YOUTH LEADERS:** Youth Leaders, Catechists, teachers, clergy & all interested in Youth Ministry are invited to take time to explore, reflect & pray on our Youth Ministry Retreat. **Saturday 20th January 2018 at Brownhill Monastery, Stroud.** 10am – 4pm. Lunch provided. Cost £20 per person. Booking essential, email: [youth@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:youth@cliftondiocese.com)

**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.

**FAITH & LIGHT (Gloucester Community):** 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. Gerry by email [gerry.walsh@priest.cliftondiocese.com](mailto:gerry.walsh@priest.cliftondiocese.com) or on 01452 412702 or Shelley Sullivan on 07808608991 or [Shelley1270@gmail.com](mailto:Shelley1270@gmail.com)



**CAFOD school volunteers needed!** - Could you visit your local Catholic school to **talk about the work of CAFOD?** We are looking for volunteers to cover the **Gloucester/Cheltenham** and **Salisbury/Yeovil** 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](mailto:clifton@cafod.org.uk)

**ST MARY'S PLAYGROUP: PLACES AVAILABLE FOR 2 ½ YEAR OLDS - PRE-SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN**

**CONTACT** Telephone: 07840 055552. E-Mail: [playgroupstmarys@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:playgroupstmarys@yahoo.co.uk) FOR INFORMATION OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE. Web-site: [www.playgroupstmarys.org.uk](http://www.playgroupstmarys.org.uk)



**GLOUCESTER FOOD BANK:** Thank you for your continued generosity in donations to the Food Bank. Here is a current 'shopping list' of the items most needed: **Long life milk, long life fruit juice, tinned cold meat, tinned rice pudding, toiletries.** Thank you.

**VOLUNTEER DELEGATES WANTED**

**Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress "Adoremus" - Liverpool 2018, 7<sup>TH</sup> – 9<sup>TH</sup> September 2018.**

Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. The last International Eucharistic Congress in England was held in 1908 when permission for a public procession of the Blessed Sacrament was refused. Participants will engage in a series of sessions focusing on different dimensions of the Eucharist and the daily celebration and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. On the first day of the Congress, there will be a Theological Symposium, with workshops for parish catechists, (especially for those involved in First Holy Communion programs), RE teachers, Hospital and Prison Chaplains, Seminary Communities and Extraordinary Ministers.

**For more information please visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/adoremus2018>  
If you would like to attend please see Fr Paul or contact the parish office ASAP.**

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Please see Fr Paul if you would like a Mass said or contact the office by email [churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com](mailto:churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com) or by phone 01452 713254. **When requesting a Mass please make sure that we have a contact telephone number for you. If you want Mass offered on a specific date, it's advisable to give notice early to ensure that the date you require is available.** There are a selection of Sympathy and Intentions Mass cards available in the sacristy or from the repository. It is traditional to make an offering when requesting a Mass, but, we would point out that there is no charge. Please see Fr. Paul or Elizabeth if you need further information.

|  |   |
|--|---|
|  <p><b>MEDITATION GROUP</b><br/>Friday's at 1.00pm Our Lady's Church Hall.<br/><i>All Welcome</i></p> |  <p>If you would like to join our <b>200 CLUB</b> please contact Paddy on Glos. 309004 or e-mail: the parish office <a href="mailto:churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com">churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com</a></p> |
|--|---|

**CTS (CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY) BOOKS:** There are some postcards on the Narthex table with details of CTS Ebooks available for Kindle, Kobo and iBooks. For more information you can also visit [www.ctsbooks.org/ebooks](http://www.ctsbooks.org/ebooks)



**OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY...**

**Please pray individually or join together with others around the world by logging on to: [www.comepraytherosary.org/](http://www.comepraytherosary.org/)**



formally recognised as a Fairtrade Parish by CAFOD



'Like' our new page on Facebook ~ Our Lady's Churchdown and follow us on Twitter [churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com](mailto:churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com)

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

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

If you would like to receive a weekly electronic version of this bulletin please email: [churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com](mailto:churchdown.ourlady@parish.cliftondiocese.com)