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<u>Diocesan Prayer Link:</u> St Joseph's, Bridgwater and Our Lady and the English Martyrs, Burnham on Sea	
<u>27th September 2026</u>	
<u>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A</u>	
Saturday 26 th September	5:00pm Mass – Pro populo
Sunday 27 th September	10:30am Mass – Ernest Marie RIP
Monday 28 th September	No Mass
Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tuesday 29 th September	No Mass
FEAST OF SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS	
Wednesday 30 th September	6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church	7:00pm Mass
Thursday 1 st October	9:15am Mass
Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church	
Friday 2 nd October	9:15am Mass
Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels	
Saturday 3 rd October	9:15am Mass
Our Lady on Saturday	9:45am to 10:15am Confessions
Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday).	5:00pm Mass
<u>Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A</u>	10:30am Mass – Pro populo
4 th October 2026	
IN OUR PRAYERS	
ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Josephine McMahon (1999), John Howard Dutton (1990), Francis (Frank) Hogan (1968), Mary Nurse (1990), Catherine Pinney (1983)	
PRAYERS for the SICK: Pat Crompton, Consolacion De Dios Blanco, Carol Benson, Wynn McGhee, Terry Pool, Ian Villanueva, Natalie Edwards, Nigel Lamb, Doreen Baker, Kieran Anderson, Brian Phillips, Maria Kent, Christopher Brown, Thomas Jayaseelan, Gordon Palmer, Caitlin Godden, Maggie Hansell, Rebecca Lansdown, Angela Woulfe, Peter Kost, Kerrie Lane, Ian Wright, Nathan Wright, Eileen Maguire, Tina and John Walsh, Mary Meldrum, Frances Walker, Marie Stevens. In compliance with the requirements of GDPR permission must be sought from an individual (or next of kin) before their name can be added to a list of those who are sick. Do please advise of any changes to be made to this list.	

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Entrance Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy. (Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42)

Responsorial Psalm: Remember your compassion, O LORD. (Ps 25(24):4-5b. 6-7. 8-9. R6a)

Acclamation Before The Gospel: Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia. (John 10:27)

Communion Antiphon: By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another. (1 John 3:16)

Father Paul's Induction: Will be celebrated by Mgr Liam Slattery on Thursday 1st October at 7pm at Saint Teresa's Church, Filton. We are intending to travel to Filton in several cars. Please speak to Father Stephen, and we will see what can be arranged.

Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday 3rd October, 9:45-11am: There will be a light breakfast in the parish hall for the men of the parish who would like to meet for some social interaction and faith sharing.

The Diocesan Synod Team: Is keen to accompany you in the implementation phase of a Synodal Church. As a starting point, we would like to invite everyone and anyone to come to a short area meeting on Saturday 3rd October at English Martyrs, Tuffley from 10am-12noon. Please sign up at <https://cisTuffley.eventbrite.co.uk> If you were involved in the work of the Synod back in 2022, you will have gained some familiarity in the methodology of Conversations in the Spirit (CiS) and of facilitation. It is likely that many of us will want to have the opportunity to be reminded of how to go about this and if new to this, to gain the skills and experience of facilitating small groups.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest: Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection next weekend and support our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Please use the CAFOD envelopes in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope

Baptism Preparation Session: There will be a Baptism Preparation Session in Saint Mary's Primary School on Sunday 4th October following the 10:30am Mass. Catholic parents seeking baptism for their children (up to six years of age) are invited to attend.

Bishop Appeal: On Education Sunday Bishop Bosco launched a new appeal for parishioners to serve as school governors or as academy trust directors. Being a governor/director is helping our schools to provide the best possible education for today's children and helping to protect Catholic schools for future generations – it is truly supporting the mission of the Church. There is an urgent need for more volunteers to serve as governors/directors and no previous experience is required. If you would like to help our schools and respond to the Bishop's appeal, please contact Bill McEntee, Governance Officer at Clifton Diocese, for more information via bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com or on 07710094976 – thank you.

Newman Association: There will be a talk on the Prophet Isaiah on Tuesday 6th October at 2.30pm, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts' Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. Please see the poster in the narthex for more details.

Oaks of Righteousness – Growing Together in Christ: Saturday 24th October 11.00am – 3.00pm at St Patrick's Church, Brockworth. The Saint Wulstan Pastoral Area invites our schools, parishes and religious communities to come together for a special celebration of faith, fellowship and growth. We will celebrate Mass together, followed by the blessing and presentation of an oak sapling and candle to each participating community, to be taken back and planted or displayed within their own community. "That they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified." Isaiah 61:3 A bring-and-share lunch will follow. All are welcome.

Our Lady's Saint Vincent de Paul Conference: Befriending people is at the heart of Our Lady's SVP Conference. We are made up of volunteer members, motivated by their Catholic faith, who seek and find people in need and offer sincere friendship. Our members visit people in their homes, in hospitals and in care homes on a regular basis, sometimes for many years. They offer practical support such as food when it is needed most. We are funded by voluntary donations within the parish and, if able, you can donate either by placing cash into our donation box or by card through the electronic giving device, both of which are in the Narthex. Alongside visiting and befriending at a local level, the SVP can, at Diocesan and National level, offer a range of help (such as community shops, support centres, furniture and even holiday camps) and counselling including debt counselling. For more information please contact us on 07745 318656 or email ourladys.svp@gmail.com.

New Gift Aid Declaration/Standing Order forms: Available in the Narthex in a plastic folder under the notice board. These are required for anyone who as yet hasn't joined the Parish's Gift Aid scheme but wishes to do. Should you require any information regarding Gift Aid I generally attend the 5pm Saturday Mass. Alternatively, I can be contacted on my parish email: GA.churchdown.ourladys@cliftondiocese.com - Carol Magill, Gift Aid Administrator.

ENCOUNTER (Prayer and share group): Encounter will resume on Wednesday 7th October at 7:30pm and we would love you to join us for a monthly meeting (every first Wednesday) to continue to explore and celebrate our faith together. We will start with prayer and worship, then watch a recorded talk together, ending with group discussion and fellowship (including tea & cakes!).

Choir Practice: The next practice is Thursday 1st October at 7pm – 8pm and every Thursday.