

Mass Times

Sunday 9.00 am and 10.30 am
Reconciliation
Sat 5-30 to 6pm

Local Churches

PORTISHEAD

Sun 6pm (Sat), 10.30am
Holydays 7.30pm (Vigil), 10am

CLEVEDON

Sun 6.30pm (Sat), 10am
Holydays 7am, 10am, 8pm

YATTON

Sun 8.30am
Holydays 8pm (Vigil)

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Mass times for this week

Monday
Mass 9.00 am

Tuesday
Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
Mass 9.00 am

Wednesday
Memorial of St Teresa of Avila
Mass 9.00 am

Thursday
Solemnity of the Anniversary of the Dedication of Parish Churches
Liturgy of the Word with the Distribution of Holy Communion 9.00 am

Friday
Feast of St Ignatius of Antioch
Mass 9.00 am

Offertory

Our offertory collection last week amounted to £177.76, plus £730 by Standing Order.

Diocese Prayer Link

Trowbridge: Saint John the Baptist with Westbury: Saint Bernadette

Cleaning Rota

Week beginning 12th October – Team E.



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Sunday 12th October 2008

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A (2)

Called to be a People of Hope

Bishop Declan is to launch the Diocesan guidelines which are the fruits of the consultation process 'Seeking the face of Christ'. This will be on Wednesday 5th November at 7.00pm in Clifton Cathedral. If you cannot make this date please see the poster at the back of the Church for other dates and venues.

St Francis Feast Day

Many thanks to all who helped in any way to make the Pig Race Evening last Saturday such an enjoyable evening. Over £500 was raised which will be split between our Parish Project for Uganda and HCPT. Thanks everyone.

Pictures can be seen here:

<http://www.cliftondiocese.com/porky-parishioners-in-nailsea>

Parish Project Kambia

Our cash offertory next Sunday (19th October) will go to our Uganda Project - please see the project board for details. We hope to welcome 2 visitors from Sierra Leone at 10.30 Mass on that day. They would like to meet with parishioners who made generous contributions to Kambia

charity as part of a previous Parish Project. They will be in the hall after Mass during coffee and it would be great if we could give them a "St Francis" welcome.

Words of St Francis

A booklet of St Francis' words and prayers is available at the back of the Church.

St Francis Quarterly Healing Service

Please note that our next Healing Service will be held on **Friday 14th November at 7.30pm** – more details soon.

Daily Reflection Booklets

The Reflection Booklet 'Day by Day' for October is now available at the back of the church. Price £1.

St Joseph's Home, Cotham

A representative of the St Joseph's Home will be selling raffle tickets after Mass this week.

Footsteps in Faith

Our new series of informal discussion evenings has begun on Wednesdays. If you are not a Catholic yourself and are interested in finding out what Catholics believe, why not join us every **Wednesday** at 7.30pm in the parish meeting room. If you are a Catholic and know someone – perhaps a relative or friend - who might be interested in joining us, perhaps you could encourage them to come along. For further information please ring Paul on 01275 858485, Gill on 01275 463657 or Doreen on 01275 851591.

Clifton Children's Society

Could you or someone you know offer a permanent adoptive home to a child or children? If you would like information or an informal discussion please contact CCS on 08451 22 00 77 or visit their website www.ccsadoption.org The Society needs more Catholic families for Catholic Children as well as families who reflect the diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds for the 4,000 children in the UK who wait for a loving and secure permanent home.

St Brendan's Sixth Form College

Students wishing to join St Brendan's in September 2009 are reminded that Open Evenings will be held on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October from 6.00-9.00pm. For further details and a prospectus please call 0117 903 8867 or email info@stbrn.ac.uk or visit the website www.stbrn.ac.uk

Schools' Public Speaking Contest

This annual event for the Catholic Secondary Schools in the Diocese is being organized by the Catenian Association once again at Newman Hall, Westbury on Trym, Bristol on Tuesday 21st October 2008 at 7.00pm. Entrance and refreshments are free. Please support your local Catholic Secondary School.

Year of St Paul

There is now an icon of St Paul in the church. Pope Benedict XVI has declared June 2008 – June 2009 a *Year of St Paul* in celebration of the 2000th anniversary of the apostle's birth. It is reckoned that St Paul was born between 7 and 10 AD. Leaflets are available at the back of the church which offer a brief introduction to the letters of St Paul as we hear them at Sunday Mass.

Celebrate Weekends 2008

Come and celebrate South West 2008, a weekend non-residential family conference for Christians of all ages, organized by a team from Catholic Charismatic renewal – 1st and 2nd November at St Bede's Catholic College at Lawrence Weston, Bristol. Email: tonywadley@contactme.co.uk or sam.loud@yahoo.co.uk. Website: www.celebrateconference.org/west or telephone 01242 702211 or 01173 306012.

Youth Matters

The Clifton Diocese Youth Matters Newsletter is now available for the youth of our parish. It contains details of the World Youth Day held in Sydney in July and details of future events and resources.

Friary Christmas Repository

Ruth & Michael from the Friary Shop, Clevedon will be in the Meeting Room on Saturday 1st November 10.00am to 5.00pm and Sunday 2nd November 8.30am to 12 noon with a very large range of Christian Christmas Cards including CAFOD, Traidcraft, Christian Aid and Catholic Children's Society (Prices from 13p). They are also bringing 35 different styles of cribs and Holy Family groups plus Advent calendars, candles, icons, crucifixes, statues, bibles, prayer books and children's illustrated bibles etc. This is our only visit before Christmas

Wellspring Counselling

'The fragmented self-funding wholeness when things fall apart'. A gala evening hosted by

broadcaster Chris Serle, with special guest Rev. Julie Nicholson, with drinks, canapés and an introduction to the counselling process. Wednesday 15th October, 7.30pm at the Downs School, Clevedon Road, Wraxall. Tickets: £7.00 in aid of the work of Wellspring are available from the Health Centre, Nailsea Bookshop or by telephoning Gill Huggins on 01275 463657

Itinerary of Relics

The 1st October was the feast day of St Thérèse of Lisieux. As you may have heard, her relics will be visiting England and Wales this time next year. We hope this will be a time of great grace for us and for many people in our land. Catholics, other Christians, members of other faiths and no faith will all be welcome to pray by relics. You are invited to use this forthcoming year as a time of preparation, by praying for the visit and reading about St Thérèse on the special website that has been set up: www.catholicrelics.co.uk The nearest venue to us will be 18-19 September **2009** at St Teresa's, Taunton and 23-24 September **2009** at St Teresa's Filton Bristol.

Parkinson's Society

Nailsea Running Club have presented the North West Somerset Branch of the Parkinson's Society with a cheque for £600 to fund one of their 'comfort days' for carers & sufferers alike. The money is part of the proceeds of three local races that the running club organises. Dorothy Close is chairperson of the local Parkinson's group and her husband Bob is regularly prayed for in our bidding prayers. Several of our parishioners are actively involved with both these groups. If you feel you could spare some time to help the Parkinson's group as a helper at one of their monthly meetings in our church hall contact Dorothy on 853211. Alternatively if you are lucky enough to be able to run and would like information on the running club contact Clive Collins on 851596

Christian Aid - Stand up and take action against poverty

Last year 43.7 million people in 127 countries stood up on the same day to take action against

poverty. This year The Global Call to Action against Poverty (GCAP) is aiming to mobilize 1% of the world's population in this way. You can join in at Bristol Cathedral. Contact Canon Tim Higgins 0117 904 6530. Nader Abu Amsha, Director of the YMCA in Beit Sahour (Field of the Shepherds) Bethlehem, tells the challenging story of modern day Bethlehem. Hear him either at a multi-faith evening including local Muslim and Jewish communities at the Council House in Bristol on Tuesday 2nd December (Contact Ruth Davey 01454 415923) or at the Winter Gardens in Weston-super-Mare on Thursday 4th December at 7:30pm which will include "The Great Big Christmas Sing" (Contact Elizabeth Perry 01935 850849). Also Saturday 15th November, Dr Paula Clifford, Christian Aid's Head of Theology and author of the report All Creation Groaning, leads a day for the Ecumenical Study Fellowship at the Ammerdown Ecumenical Study Centre, Kilmersdon, Radstock (Contact Dr John James 01225 422252).

Catholic Medical Association

The Catholic Medical Association, Bristol Branch will be celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the founding of the NHS at 7.00pm on Thursday 16th October 2008 at Clifton Cathedral. There will be a Solemn High Mass, Principal Celebrant, Archbishop Peter Smith of Cardiff, Chair of the Department of Christian Responsibility & Citizenship. This will be followed at 8.00pm by a lecture, entitled, 'Catholics in Health Care: Some Challenges and Opportunities', delivered by Mr. Charles Wookey, Assistant General Secretary to the Bishops Conference in England and Wales. All Healthcare Professionals and those with an interest in health matters are especially welcome to attend as is everyone who wishes to give thanks for the work of this national institution, with is the NHS.

Bye Bye Birdie

Nailsea Musicals next production 'Bye Bye Birdie' will be held at Scotch Horn Leisure Centre, 19-22 November. Tickets are available from the Nailsea Music Shop and cost £7.00-8.50