

### 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)

### Parish Priest

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### Parish Deacon

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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, Thursday & Friday  
Mass 9.00 am

### Offertory

Our offertory collection last week amounted to  
£118.51, plus £730 by Standing Order.

New sets of named packs of envelopes  
commencing on 5th October are available in the  
porch for those people who use them. Any  
queries please contact John Edney on 854372.  
Thank you for your continuing support.

### Anniversaries

Richard Patrick Delaney 6<sup>th</sup>, Sarah Hayden 7<sup>th</sup>,  
Mary Burgess and Leslie Maxted 8<sup>th</sup>, William  
Stoves 10<sup>th</sup>, Anthony Stefano and Ellen A. Grogan  
11<sup>th</sup>.

### Diocese Prayer Link

Tisbury: The Sacred Heart with Wardour: All  
Saints.

### Cleaning Rota

Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> October – Team D.



# ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Sunday 5th October 2008

## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Cycle A (2)

### St Francis Feast Day

We are celebrating our patronal Feast Day  
this Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> October.

### Words of St Francis

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

### Churches Together

On the first Sunday of each month we  
include one of the Churches in Nailsea and  
Backwell in our General Intercessions at  
Mass. This week we pray for Nailsea  
Baptist Church.

### 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. The

Holy Father explained that: 'The Apostle of  
the Gentiles, who dedicated himself to the  
spreading of the good news to all peoples,  
spent himself for the unity and harmony of  
all Christians. May he guide us and protect  
us in this bimillenary celebration, helping us  
to advance in the humble and sincere  
search for the full unity of all the members  
of the mystical body of Christ.' Leaflets are  
available at the back of the church which  
offers a brief introduction to the letters of St  
Paul as we hear them at Sunday Mass.

### Baptism

We welcome into the family of the Church  
Adam Durran who was baptized on  
Saturday 4th October.

### Retiring Collection

This Sunday there will be a retiring  
collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day  
Collection

## *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 2<sup>nd</sup> November at St Bede's Catholic College at Lawrence Weston, Bristol. Email: [tonywadley@contactme.co.uk](mailto:tonywadley@contactme.co.uk) or [sam.loud@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sam.loud@yahoo.co.uk). Website: [www.celebrateconference.org/west](http://www.celebrateconference.org/west) or telephone 01242 702211 or 01173 306012.

## *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.

## *Daily Reflection Booklets*

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

## *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'. An evening hosted by broadcaster Chris Serle, with special guest Rev. Julie Nicholson, (speaking about her own experience of receiving counselling). On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm at the Downs School, Clevedon Road, Wraxall. Tickets: £7.00 including drinks & canapés, in aid of the work of Wellspring are available from the Health Centre, Nailsea Bookshop or by telephoning Gill Huggins on 01275 463657

## *Make Nailsea Sparkle this Christmas for the whole Community*

As part of their efforts to make this the best Christmas ever for the whole Community, the Chamber of Commerce is holding a 1970's themed fundraising Disco and supper to be held at Nailsea School on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30-11.30pm.

All over 18's welcome £10 per person including food and there's a prize for the best fancy dress! For tickets please call 01275 541184 or pop into Gilly's Café or Bracey & Standard Estate Agents on the High Street.

## *Itinerary of Relics*

Last Wednesday (1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.catholicrelics.co.uk) The nearest venue to us will be 18-19 September **2009** 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.

## *Diary Dates*

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).