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THE FEAST OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY



THE GOD BEYOND ALL NAMES!

The One God Who is Three? Sounds absurd! A God Who is Lover, Beloved and the Love between? A God Who is Creator, Redeemer and Life Giver? A God Who is Life Giver, Pain Bearer, Love Maker? Never a God Who is alone, lonely, isolated, but always a God Who is community, relationship, Love!

How could God be love (and not just 'do' love?) without being a network of loving relationships, love's eternal energy flowing between Abba, Father, Who is only in loving the Son, Who is only in being loved by the Father, and that shared love, that mutual eternal and infinitely creative gaze being the Holy Spirit - the fire and breath of their Loving from before all time.

And we are created in this God's image and likeness - to be whole and human only in relationship, in loving. We are incomplete without reaching out in love to the other: each other and the Divine Other.

SUNDAY: PARISH MASS with Child Baptisms at 10.00am
Mass with the LGBT+ community and friends at 3.00pm - all welcome

MONDAY: *Adoration* at 8.30am Service of Word & Communion at 9.00am

TUESDAY: *Adoration* at 5.30pm Mass at 6.00pm

WEDNESDAY: *Adoration* at 5.30pm Mass at 6.00pm

THURSDAY: *Feast of St Alban, First Martyr of Britain (3rd Century)*
Mass at 12 noon, followed by *Adoration* until 1.30pm.

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FRIDAY: *Feast of St Aloysius Gonzaga, Jesuit brother (died aged 23 in 1591)*
Adoration at 8.15pm *Morning Prayer* at 8.45am **Mass** at 9.00am

SATURDAY: *Feast of St John Fisher, bishop & St Thomas More, politician, martyrs (d. 1535)*
Adoration at 11.30am **Mass** at 12 noon
Sacrament of Reconciliation: after 12 noon Mass and 4.30-5.00pm

TODAY [1] Having celebrated the great events of our salvation in Christ, on the **Feast of the Holy and Undivided Trinity** we now celebrate the very being of God Who is Love. The Divine is a network of loving relationships between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. between the Creator, the Pain-bearer and the Love-maker. And we are created in the image and likeness of this God who is loving relationships. So we celebrate also who we are!

[2] Very appropriately on this Feast of the Trinity, we have the joy of celebrating the **Sacrament of Baptism with some of our children**. Please pray for them and their families.

[3] It is also **Fathers' Day** - so congratulations and prayers for all the Fathers in our community, as they with their wife/partner create a safe and loving environment for their children

[3] **Mass and Ministry with the LGBT+ community and family & friends** - all very welcome to come and share.

NEXT SUNDAY [1] We celebrate the **the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ ('Corpus Christi')**, giving great thanks for the sublime gift of the Eucharist, Jesus giving us Himself as our food and drink to nourish our lives with His love and transform us into His presence in the world. May our love for the Christ of the Eucharist will grow.

[2] We have the joy of celebrating **First Eucharist** with 18 of our children and young people - 16 families in all. This is such a sign of hope for our community and its future! Please pray for them, that they will continue to 'grow in all ways into Christ'.

DIOCESAN PRAYER The Diocese prays today for the Parishes in Communion for Mission of St Joseph's, Stonehouse and the Annunciation, Woodchester, served by Fr William Watson, Deacon Bogdan Wasylikiw and Parish Administrator Frances Little Ouerghemi and both their communities.

WORD OF GOD FOR ELEVENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME (weekday Cycle One)

Sunday	Proverbs 8: 22-31 / Psalm 8 / Romans 5: 1-5 / John 16: 12-15
Monday	2 Corinthians 6: 1-10 / Psalm 97 / Matthew 5: 38-42
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 8: 1-9 / Psalm 145 / Matthew 5: 43-48
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 9: 6-11 / Psalm 111 / Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-18
Thursday	2 Corinthians 11: 1-11 / Psalm 110 / Matthew 6: 7-15
Friday	2 Corinthians 11: 18, 21-30 / Psalm 33 / Matthew 6: 19-23
Saturday	2 Maccabees 6: 18, 21, 24-31 / Psalm 30 / Matthew 24: 4-13

COLLECTIONS

Env £237.57 + Loose £266.75 + S/O's £90.58 = TOTAL: £594.90 - **thanks!**
 CAFOD £15.00 - **many thanks**

DATES FOR THE DIARY 2019

11th June	All Bristol Deaneries Meeting
16th June	Feast of the Most Holy Trinity - Baptismal Sunday
16th June	LGBT+ Mass and Ministry at 3.00pm
19th June	Annual Visit of Downside students to St Nicks
21st June	Study Day for clergy on Lay Pastoral Assistants and the future of the Church
23rd June	Feast of Corpus Christi - First Eucharist Sunday
3rd June	Mass for the Catholic Handicapped Fellowship at 3.00pm

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28th June	Feast of the Sacred Heart
30th June	Feast of Ss Peter and Paul
6th July	Diocesan Family Day on Prayer at St Brendan's College 9.45am-4.15pm
14th July	Diocesan Glastonbury Pilgrimage
17th July	End of Year School Mass at 9.30am
17th July	Parish Pastoral Council at 7.00pm (Assisi Centre)
18th July	Parish Finance Committee at 7.00pm (Presbytery)
20th July	Parish Family Fun Day 11am to 4.00pm (School)
23rd July	Bristol East Clergy Deanery Meeting at 6.30pm
28th July	Senior Citizens Mass at 3.00pm
6th Aug	Feast of the Transfiguration and Anniversary of Hiroshima Atomic Bomb
15th Aug	Feast of the Assumption of Our Mary - Holy Day of Obligation
25th Aug	Baptismal Sunday at 10am Mass

JUNE, THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS A Heart broken for love of all humanity, pierced through with the lance of unconditional love and compassion. A Heart brimming over with a Universal love, an endless Mercy withheld from absolutely no-one. Behold the Man who loves us beyond the breaking of His Heart! The Divine Humanity of God, vulnerable to us, weeping for us, on fire for us. O Sacred Heart of Jesus make our hearts like unto Thine! May our Hearts be on fire for love of the world You so love!

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019 Mary, Mother of God, invites you to come on pilgrimage to the shrine of Lourdes in France for a week of prayer, friendship, fun and community. **August 23rd to 30th. For further information, tel: 01179025590 or email: lourdes@cliftondiocese.com** Pilgrimage Director Deacon Paul Thompson, led by Bp Declan

EMMAUS GROUP - A NEW INITIATIVE IN ST NICKS We have a new support group starting in the parish on Tuesday 2nd July at 7pm in the New Room. The group will run at the same time every Tuesday of the year and offers a safe place for people to come and talk about the issues which are affecting them and listen to others. The group will support those with low mood, lack of self-esteem and anxiety as well as those struggling with, for example, bereavement, isolation, guilt, serious illness and relationship issues. Confidentiality is assured. For more information contact Robert on 07767 706 163 or robertvh@hotmail.co.uk. Or, just come along.

PARISH SITE MAINTENANCE TEAM - volunteers please! There are many needs for site maintenance - from cleaning to minor DIY jobs, to weed control in the car park and in the entrance area to the church. Andrew and the Friday cleaning team do a great job - THANK YOU! But there is a need for more volunteers. So the Parish Pastoral Council is calling for a Maintenance Team led by Andrew to be formed. Volunteers would be asked to give 2-3 hours from time to time, possibly on a rota basis or as appropriate for the work required. Please see Andrew or Richard or Margaret THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!

PARISH FOOD BANK NEEDS! The cupboard is running low for some non-perishable items: tins of meat, tuna and other fish, fruit, custard, baked beans and other vegetables; also packet soups, 1 litre bottles of cooking oil, long-life milk cartons, bottles of juices and cans of Coca Cola etc. **WHAT WE DO NOT NEED AT THE MOMENT!!** pasta, rice, tins of soup, cereals. Thank you for supporting our foodbank - a life-line to so many.

WEDNESDAY MASS TIME CHANGED Please note that Wednesday Mass time has been permanently changed from 7pm to **6.00pm**. All weekday Mass times are subject to change due to other pastoral needs. Please check to bulletin or parish website.

PARENTS BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES FOR 2019 Seeking the baptism of your children? please inform Eustace Tameh or Christopher & Epiphania Chipato or Richard.

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Future dates of Baptismal Sundays: 25th August and 24th November (Feast of Christ the King) - at our 10am Parish Mass. Dates of preparation sessions to be announced.

DIOCESAN DAY FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER All our diocesan family are invited to gather with our bishop at St Brendans College on **Saturday 6th July, beginning 9.45am and concluding (after Mass) at 4.15pm**. There will be many workshops exploring different aspects of prayer as the energy for mission and witness to Christ. **PLEASE COME!**

CALL TO ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE The greatest threat to humanity in the 21st Century is Global Warming and Climate Change. It is a Christian ethical imperative to act now in our generation for the sake of future generations. The teenager **Greta Thunberg** said: "It is still not too late to act. It will take a far-reaching vision, it will take courage, it will take fierce, fierce determination to act now, to lay the foundations where we may not know all the details about how to shape the ceiling. In other words, it will take cathedral thinking. I ask you to please wake up and make change possible."

David Attenborough said "We need to fall in love again with the earth"

Pope Francis said "God of Love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth" and "teach us to care for our common home."

JOIN THE CLIMATE CHANGE LOBBY! London - 26 June Join CAFOD and many other charities at an unforgettable event in London on 26 June. Get involved in action for the campaign against the climate and environmental crisis, with CAFOD, and tell our leaders that Britain should no longer contribute to the destruction of our common home. You can make a difference by joining in – a coach is going from our Clifton Diocese to the Lobby in London. Please register if you would like to attend -

see <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby> for more details or contact Liz Baldwin at the CAFOD office in Bristol: ebaldwin@cafod.org.uk / 01172 428 328.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO GLASTONBURY - Sunday July 14th There will be one coach ordered for parishioners wishing to be part of this annual pilgrimage in honour of Mary and the Martyrs of Glastonbury. It leave after our morning Mass about 12 noon. Because the cost to the parish of such a coach is £500, we are asking a deposit from each person/family to secure seats. Seats will be reserved on receipt of the deposit. We cannot afford to sustain the losses of previous years or book coaches that are near empty. If we book seats it is so important that we do come otherwise you might be depriving someone else. Those who cannot afford the cost of seats, please see Richard - we do not want anyone deprived of the opportunity to share this great Diocesan event. More information later!

SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST IMMIGRATION DETENTION I shared at the Catholic Migrant Forum meeting recently our & Borderlands' concerns and experience in supporting parishioners who have been detained. Bishop Paul McAleenan, Bishop with Responsibility for Migrants has been taking action on this, including writing to a number of MPs asking them to support the introduction of a time limit on immigration detention, and following up on this he has created an e-action which helps people write to their MPs on this issue, which you can access at <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/immigration-detention> – you can also see the accompanying press release at <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/News/Immigration-Detention>. This follows a number of visits to centres made by Bishop Paul as well as public interventions on this issue, and conversations with the different chaplains to centres & other organisations who support people in detention.

Please everyone, write to your MPs – at this time 85 MPs have backed an amendment to the Immigration and Social Security Bill (you can see the list of MPs who have supported it here). It would also be really useful to hear about the experiences you are seeing so they can inform the interventions Bishop Paul makes.