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**THE FEAST OF PENTECOST - COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME!*****The God of Wind & Fire, Energy & Peace!***

Come Holy Spirit! Come uncontainable God!  
Come Divine energy for Mission! Come Divine  
Love that heals and builds relationships! Come  
God who is Community! Come Spirit that gifts  
each one of us! Come Spirit that empowers our  
mission! Come Spirit that drives us into the mar-  
ketplace of the world! Come Spirit that seeks to  
use to 'renew the face of the Earth'!

Come Spirit of Fire, warm our coldness, inflame  
our apathies, purify our hearts into the pure gold  
of Your love!

Come Spirit of Mighty Wind, sweep away our  
fears, drive from us our anxieties and energise us  
for mission! Come Mighty Wind and blow us  
where you will through our world to scatter seeds  
of Gospel freedom, love and truth! Come gentle  
breeze and breath of God and refresh our wear-  
iness of heart!

Come Water of Life, spring up within us to  
quench our thirst for God, our thirst for Life and  
Justice!

**SUNDAY: PARISH MASS at 10.00am, followed by multi-cultural agape lunch**  
***Signed Mass for the Clifton Catholic Deaf Association*, at 3.00pm - all welcome**

**ORDINARY TIME BEGINS (WEEK TEN ; WEEKDAY CYCLE ONE)**

**MONDAY: Service of Word & Communion at 9.00am, followed by Day of Adoration until 4pm**

**TUESDAY: Adoration at 5.30pm Service of Word & Eucharist at 6.00pm**

**WEDNESDAY: *Feast of St Barnabas, Apostle, co-worker of St Paul***  
***Adoration* at 5.30pm Mass at 6.00pm**

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**THURSDAY:** *Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church*

School Mass for Pentecost at 9.30am

Mass at 12 noon, followed by *Adoration* until 1.30pm**FRIDAY:** *FEAST OF JESUS CHRST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST**Adoration* at 8.15pm *Morning Prayer* at 8.45am Mass at 9.00am**SATURDAY:** *Adoration* at 11.30am Mass at 12 noon*Sacrament of Reconciliation:* after 12 noon Mass and 4.30-5.00pm

**TODAY** [1] We celebrate the **second greatest Feast of the Church's Year - THE FEAST OF PENTECOST!** Jesus, ascended to the Father's right hand and together they pour out their love, the Holy Spirit of their shared life and love, upon the small gathered community of disciples waiting and praying in the Upper Room of Hope. And so the Church is born by this new overshadowing of the Spirit (like the Annunciation): born in a ferment of praise, joy, unity and mission. The Spirit has begun to 'renew the face of the earth!'

[2] We begin our celebration on Saturday at 8.00pm with our special extended **Vigil Mass of Pentecost**, followed by a 'bring and share' agape after the Mass.

[3] **Please come to the shared multi-cultural lunch celebrating the birthday of the Church and much else also!!** In the parish Hall after Mass - all invited!

[4] **Signed Mass for the Clifton Catholic Deaf Association** at 3.00pm - all are welcome.

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

**DIOCESAN PRAYER** The Diocese prays today for the Parishes in Communion for Mission of St Dunstan, Somerton, St Joseph's, Langport and The Holy Ghost, Yeovil, served by Fr Jan Bak SDS, Fr Joean-Patrice Coulon MSFS, Fr Jose Malielkal MSFS, and Parish Administrator Sue Chant and all their communities.

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

**Sunday** Acts of the Apostles 2: 1-11 / Psalm 103 / 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13 / John 20: 19-23

**Monday** 2 Corinthians 1: 1-7 / Psalm 33 / Matthew 5: 1-12

**Tuesday** 2 Corinthians 1: 18-22 / Psalm 118 / Matthew 5: 13-16

**Wednesday** Acts of the Apostles 11: 21-26, 13: 1-3 / Psalm 98 / Matthew 5: 17-19

**Thursday** 2 Corinthians 3: 4-11 / Psalm 84 / Matthew 5: 20-26

**Friday** Isaiah 6: 1-4, 8 / Psalm 23 / Hebrews 2: 10-18 / John 17: 1-2, 9, 14-26

**Saturday** 2 Corinthians 5: 14-21 / Psalm 102 / Matthew 5: 33-37

**COLLECTIONS**

Env £308.12 + Loose £213.52 + S/O's £90.58 = TOTAL: £612.26 - **thanks!**

**Retiring Collection - World Communications** £57.64

**Donation to Caritas Fund** £10 - many thanks

**DATES FOR THE DIARY 2019**

8th June **Vigil Mass of Pentecost** at 8.00pm

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9th June	<b>FEAST OF PENTECOST</b>
11th June	All Bristol Deaneries Meeting
16th June	<b>Feast of the Most Holy Trinity - Baptismal Sunday</b>
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	<b>Feast of Corpus Christi - First Eucharist Sunday</b>
3rd June	Mass for the Catholic Handicapped Fellowship at 3.00pm
28th June	<b>Feast of the Sacred Heart</b>
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

**NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** This is the first and greatest Novena of Prayer in the Church's tradition, opening ourselves and the Church to the mighty wind of the Spirit - the energy for Mission; opening to the Living Water of the Spirit welling up to Life in all its fullness; opening to the Flam and Fire of God's Spirit that transforms us into flames of Divine Love in the heart of the world. Without the Spirit of God in us we can do nothing for God, without the Spirit of God we have no real life, without the Spirit of God we have no vision for our mission, no energy to serve the Gospel and the Kingdom. **COME HOLY SPIRIT!**

**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](mailto:lourdes@cliftondiocese.com)** Pilgrimage Director Deacon Paul Thompson, led by Bp Declan

**CAROL & KAMILA'S PIETY STALL - ORDER ITEMS NOW!** Because of the cost of postage, it is necessary to order in bulk, so Kamila asks that if you wish to order items not currently in stock (eg books, statues, candles etc) please do so either today or next Sunday - especially any items for First Eucharist Sunday. The piety stall is in the hall each Sunday during the coffee morning after Mass. **MANY ITEMS FOR FIRST EUCHARIST GIFTS**

**PARENTS BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES FOR 2019** Parents seeking the baptism of their children this year are asked to inform Eustace Tameh or Christopher and Epiphania Chipato or Fr Richard as soon as possible. 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:

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“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.”

### **TWO NEW FEASTS THIS WEEK**

The Church has instituted two new Feasts for the Universal Church -

[1] the **Feast of Jesus Christ the High Priest**, expressing that Jesus is the the Eternal Priest who offers the sacrifice of himself. This is a feast of the Priesthood of all Believers, the profound priesthood that we all share by Baptism and confirmation. It does NOT celebrate ordained priesthood. Ordained ministry serves the Priesthood of every Christian - so this Feast of Christ the Priest challenges us all to offer the sacrifice of our own lives in service of our sisters and brothers, in the service of the whole world and all creation. We are priests of Creation - giving voice to creations praise of God as the psalms so often express.

[2] the **Feast of Mary, the Mother of the Church** celebrates that Mary, filled with the Spirit at the Annunciation and once again at Pentecost is the model for all discipleship. God teaches us through her how to be authentic Church, how to give flesh to the Word in our present world, how to lay our lives open to the overshadowing Spirit of God, how to risk everything (as she did) for the love of God and the salvation of our world. She is our mother, our sister, the first and greatest of the disciples - may she guide us to ‘treasure the Word in our hearts’, utter our ‘Yes’ to God’s call in our lives, give Christ to our waiting world, throw wide open our lives to empowering Holy Spirit and how to walk lovingly and gently alongside our sisters and brothers in the Church and indeed all humanity.

### **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**

On Thursday this week I attended to Catholic Migrant Forum in Birmingham and afterwards received this email from officers of the Catholic Bishops’ Conference: *Dear Fr Richard*

*It was good to see you at the Migration Forum yesterday, thank you for sharing your & Borderlands’ activity, as well as your experience in supporting parishioners who have been detained. As mentioned Bishop Paul has been taking some 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 we have 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 ask your people to write to their 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.*

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