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## FEAST OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY



### *Come find life in the House of Love!*

God calls us to find ourselves, welcomes us into the intimacy of the 'House of Love' that God is. God is not a lonely isolated power, not the all-powerful rule maker demanding obedience! Rather God is a community of love, a network of relationships into which we are drawn, and from whom we have our origin.

We are made in God's image and likeness - made to be complete and whole only in relationship with others. Like God we too are a network of relationships. Relationships give us the greatest joy in life - and the greatest suffering too. Precisely because love is so life-giving, then the denial or the abuse of love is so death-bearing.

Love is always a risk - a risk God took in creating us, in sending His Beloved Son to us, in entrusting their shared love, the Holy Spirit to our hearts. God risks pouring all His Love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. The Church is God's great risk of loving the world - through us in all our weakness and failure. The sole purpose of the Church is to be God's love today!

**SUNDAY:** PARISH MASS with Child Baptism at 10am (steamed: Parish Website)

**MONDAY:** *Feast of the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth (Bank Holiday)*  
 Adoration at 9.30pm                      Mass at 10.00am

**TUESDAY:** *Feast of St Justin Martyr, First Christian Philosopher (100-165)*  
 Adoration at 6.00pm                      Mass at 6.30pm

**WEDNESDAY:** *Prayer and Reflection at 10.00am (live-streamed on Face Book)*  
 Adoration at 6.00pm                      Mass at 6.30pm (Live-streamed on Parish Website)

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**THURSDAY:** ***Feast of St Charles Lwanga and the 22 Uganda martyrs (1885-1887)***  
*Adoration at 11.30am      Mass at 12 noon*

**FRIDAY:** *Adoration at 8.30.am      Mass at 9.00am*

**SATURDAY:** ***Feast of St Boniface of Devon, Missionary monk and Bishop (672-754)***  
*Adoration at 11.00am      Mass at 12 noon*  
*Evening Prayer & Adoration at 5.30pm (live-streamed on Parish Face Book)*  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** *by appointment only*

**TODAY** [1] Having celebrated the great events of our salvation in Christ, we now celebrate the very being of God in the **Feast of the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity**. God's loving actions flow from God's loving Being - for God is Love, and can be nothing other than love. God is a love that is creative, ever expanding, with out limit and unconditional. God is a network of loving relationships - Father, Son and Holy Spirit ... and we are made in the image and likeness of this God of Love - that same love is in us!

[2] We are baptising Stephanie in the sacred Name of this God of Love - please pray for her and her family.

**NEXT SUNDAY** [1] We celebrate the **Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ('Corpus Christi')**, giving thanks for 'this most wonderful Sacrament' that binds us together as One Loaf, roots us in Christ Jesus, nourishes us with this Food of Eternal Life, enabling us to become 'bread in God's hands to be broken and given to the world'. Let us never take the gift of the Mass, of Christ in the Eucharist for granted, but let us always hunger and thirst for Christ and for the Community that is His Body.

[2] As we cannot as yet hold a Corpus Christi Procession, there will be a **time of Adoration at the conclusion of the Mass with a 'Lourdes-style' Benediction of the whole community**. Please try to stay and pray in honour of Christ's Presence among us in the Eucharist.

**DIOCESAN PRAYER** Today the Diocese prays for the parishes in Communion for Mission of Sacred Heart Heart, Chew Magna and St Pius X, Withywood, Bristol, served by Fr Michael Healy, Deacon Mark Forge, Pastoral Assistant Mrs Debbie Forge, Parish Administrator, Alice Maimone, and both their communities.

**PRAY FOR THIS WEEK'S PARISH MINISTRY OR MISSION** This week, pray God's Blessing for the **Life and Ministry of our Zimbabwean Community**. They offer to our parish family enrichment of our Liturgy, support of our mission and their own form of leadership to enhance the experience of our parish ethos and charism - 'All are Welcome in this Place'. We encourage diverse cultural expressions of faith in our liturgy and the life and work of our parish community. We have many cultural communities that make up our 'community of communities' - we encourage them to help us find expression in our worship, participation in our mission and sharing in the leadership and vision of our parish.

**WORD OF GOD FOR EIGHTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME**

<b>Sunday</b>	Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 / Psalm 32 / Romans 8: 14-17 / Matthew 28: 16-20
<b>Monday</b>	Zephaniah 3: 14-18 / Responsorial Isaiah 12 / Romans 12: 9-16 / Luke 1: 39-56
<b>Tuesday</b>	Tobit 2: 9-14 / Psalm 111 / Mark 12: 13-17
<b>Wednesday</b>	Tobit 3: 1-11, 16-17 / Psalm 24 / Mark 12: 18-27
<b>Thursday</b>	Tobit 6: 10-11, 7: 1, 9-14, 8: 4-9 / Psalm 127 / Mark 12: 28-34
<b>Friday</b>	Tobit 11: 5-17 / Psalm 145 / Mark 12: 35-37
<b>Saturday</b>	Tobit 12: 1, 5-15, 20 / Responsorial Tobit 13 / Mark 12: 38-44

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**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK**

Env £115.00 + Loose £172.50 + PayPal £ + S/O £111.05 = TOTAL: £398.55 thanks!

**CARITAS** £302.50 - many thanks *I wish to thank all who give great and small amounts to the work and mission of the parish serving the Kingdom of God.*

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

30th May	<b>TRINITY SUNDAY - child Baptism Sunday</b>
6th June	<b>Feast of Corpus Christ (Body and Blood of the Lord)</b>
9th June	Parish Pastoral Council meets on Zoom at 7.00pm
11th June	<b>Feast of the Sacred Heart - Healing Mass at 7.00pm</b>
14th June	Second Dose Vaccination Clinic at St Nicks
18th June	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm on Zoom
22nd June	Parish Finance Committee at 7.15pm (Parish Office)
23rd June	Borderlands Trustees meet
24th June	Diocesan Safeguarding Commission
25th June	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm on Zoom
27th June	Annual Parish Financial Statement at Mass
29th June	<b>Feast Ss Peter and Paul (Holy Day of Obligation)</b>
4th July	Baptismal Sunday at 10am Mass
18th July	<b>First Eucharist Sunday</b>
23-25 July	Annual Quest Conference - for details contact John Flannery
1st Aug	Rite of Child Catechumen with Spanish translation at 10am Mass
3rd Aug	Borderlands Trustees meet
6th Aug	<b>Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord &amp; Hiroshima Day</b>
8th Aug	Baptismal Sunday for Spanish speaking families at 10am Mass
13th Aug	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm (Assisi Centre)
15th Aug	<b>Feast of the Assumption of Mary</b>
15th Aug	Rite of Child Catechumen at 10am Mass
20th Aug	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm on Zoom
22nd Aug	<b>First Eucharist Sunday for Spanish Speaking children at 10am Mass</b>
29th Aug	Baptismal Sunday at 10.00am Mass
5th Sept	<b>Patronal Feast of St Nicholas of Tolentino - celebration Mass at 10.00am</b>
10-12 Sept	Root and Branch Synod in Bristol - participation encouraged.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION FOR PARENTS**

If you wish your child to be baptised at st Nicks, please contact Eustace (07860876640) or Richard as soon as possible to enrol in the parents preparation. There are two Baptismal Sundays scheduled (in addition to the Baptismal Sunday with Spanish translations also scheduled) please see all dates below. Spanish speaking preparation Sessions notified next Sunday.

18th June: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm on Zoom

25th June: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm on Zoom

**Rite of Child Catechumen 20th June; Baptisms 4th July both at 10am Mass**

13th August: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm (Assisi Centre)

20th August: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm (Assisi Centre)

**Rite of Child Catechumen 15th August; Baptisms 29th August - both at 10am Mass**

**With Spanish Translation: Rite of Child Catechumen 1st Aug; Baptisms 8th Aug 10am**

**FIRST EUCHARIST ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUR SPANISH-SPEAKING FAMILIES**

We are grateful to Jackie Chenier for her work with both the Latin American children and their families. Because of issues of language with this community, it has been decided to have a separate First Eucharist Sunday with Spanish translation on **Sunday 22nd August at 10.00am Mass.**

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**SECOND DOSE VACCINE CLINIC AT ST NICK'S**

All who received their first vaccine Dose at St Nick's on April 29th are requested to come back to St Nick's for their Second Dose on Monday 14th June. **Please come at the same time you did for your first dose, bringing the vaccination card you were given then.** This is for the **second dose only** - first dose will not be given at this 'pop-up' clinic. With the new Indian Variant it is most important that all receive the second dose to strength their immunity and thereby also protect the family and wider community. Thank you!

**FIRST EUCHARIST PROGRAMME - PARENTS MEETINGS**

The special sessions for the parents are also very important and an essential part of the Preparation programme:

**Spanish-speaking parents in the church alternate Saturdays at 2.30-4.15pm**

**English-speaking parents on Zoom alternate Fridays at 6.30-7.30pm.**

***THESE PARENTS MEETINGS ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE PROGRAMME OF PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES JOURNEYING TO FIRST EUCHARIST.***

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - 9th June at 7.00pm**

Pope Francis has called upon the whole Church to engage in a three year Global Synod - a call to listen to one another, to take seriously the many diverse voices and cultures in our Universal Church and thereby listen to what the Spirit is saying the Church today. This is what we seek to do in our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Forum, which is why these meetings are so important.

**ROOT AND BRANCH INCLUSIVE SYNOD IN BRISTOL**

Inspired by Pope Francis's synodal vision, some lay Catholics from across the UK invite you to embrace and advance renewal, reform and healing in the Catholic Church. Already taking place twice-monthly on Zoom, Root and Branch Inclusive Synod will reach its conclusions on issues of equality, inclusion and governance in **online workshops from 5 – 8 September 2021**. **The Synod will culminate with a conference on 10 – 12 September 2021**, earthed in the State of the Art, conference centre of St Michael's Church, Stoke Gifford, beside Bristol Parkway Station. The conference will start with the presence of Rt. Revd. Vivienne Faull, Bishop of Bristol, and a recorded welcome from Bishop Declan Lang, Bishop of Clifton. Noted speakers (like Mary McAleese, former President of the Irish Republic and a campaigner for the reform of the Church) will encourage a process in the words of St John Henry Newman of "Heart speaks unto heart", with laity, religious and clergy meeting as equals. "Do not be afraid" says Jesus – and yet so often we are. We have been frightened to speak to one another with real honesty about issues which affect us deeply in our Church today. That needs to change. The "Heart to Heart" conversation is long overdue. As people come together, giving each other the confidence to speak up and to really listen, Root and Branch Inclusive Synod is shining a healing light into dark places. For further information about Root and Branch Inclusive Synod; how to Zoom with us and – coming shortly – details of how to book for the virtual and actual Synod (rooms reserved two Holiday Inns for those who need them), please visit: <https://www.rootandbranchsynod.org>

**JUNE - MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART**

June is dedicated to pondering the immensity of divine humanity - God with a human heart Who loves us beyond the breaking of His Heart. God is at least as vulnerable and tender, open to experiencing our pain (such is the depth of His love) as He is all-powerful. He is both creator and pain-bearer. The Sacred Heart of Jesus calls us to enter into His opened, pierced Heart and find there our home, the source of our poor loving, and the woundedness that will heal every wound of our hearts and lives. Not only does His love pour out like water of life on the dry ground of our desert loveless Earth, but He invites us to come and enter in to His own pain-bearing, ever forgiving and peace-making Heart and become a flame of His love cast upon the Earth, a co-worker with Him in the endless task of re-shaping the world and our sisters and brothers in the gentle power of the Divine Love in us and through us! ALLELUIA!!

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