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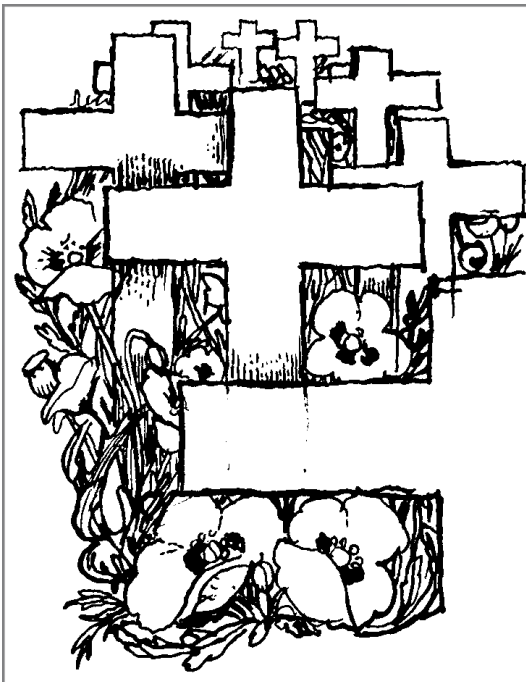
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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR- Remembrance & Peace



WHY REMEMBER THE HORROR?

There is enough sorrow in the world without constantly harking back to the horrors of the past - surely? Why keep on 'Remembering'?

To 're-member' is to reconnect, join the present with the past, so that the past can positively influence the present. We have to face up to the horrors we human beings have perpetrated in the hope of healing the human spirit, that the brutality will not be repeated. When the serpents bit the Hebrews in the desert because of their rebellious and sinful actions, then Moses fashioned a serpent and raised it high for all to look, to gaze on the sign of their sin - like gazing upon Jesus on the Cross, the cost of our sin! And the Cross of Jesus carries all the horrors of war, holocaust and genocide. But gazing on the wounds we can be healed!

So we must never forget! Have the courage to remember without a shade of glorifying the horror so that humanity may one day be healed of war-lust! And the Eucharist is a re-membering the Passion and Cross...and Resurrection!

SUNDAY PARISH MASS of Remembrance and Peace at 10.00am (*live steamed: Parish Website*)

MONDAY: Adoration at 5.30pm Service of Word & Communion at 6.00pm

TUESDAY: Feast of St Albert the Great (1200-80) & St Edmund of Canterbury (1175-1240)
Adoration at 5.30pm Mass at 6.00pm [NB change of time]

WEDNESDAY: Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln, Carthusian monk & Bishop (1135-1200)
Prayer and Reflection at 10.00am (*live-streamed on Face Book*)
Adoration at 6.00pm Mass at 6.30pm (*live steamed: Parish Website*)

THURSDAY: Feast of Dedication of the Roman Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul
Adoration at 11.30am Mass at 12noon

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

SATURDAY: *Adoration* at 11.30am **Mass at 12.00 noon**
 Adoration & Evening Prayer at 5.30pm
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: after mass and 4.00pm

TODAY [1] The **Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year** is also **Remembrance Sunday**. We celebrate that because of Jesus dying and rising, death never has the last word, and war will one day be vanquished. Our 'Remembering' must enable us to 'see the signs of the times' and hear the groans of our Common Home and the peoples and land devastated by war, violence and destruction. It is time to build a robust Peace, a Peace with each other, a peace among nations, a peace built on justice for all, a peace built on equality, a peace that embraces the Earth itself. Creation cries out for us to stop making war on 'Mother Earth'

[2] On this **Remembrance Sunday** we will celebrate a **Mass for Peace at 10.00am**

NEXT SUNDAY [1] On this last Sunday of the Church's Liturgical Year, we celebrate the **Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**: celebrating the conclusion of our Mission as all things, all creation, is gathered into the Body of Christ, and whole Universe is transfigured into the Glory of Christ. This is evolution's final destination, the fulfilment of the Mission to be 'Good News to all Creation' entrusted to us at Jesus' Ascension into Heaven. This is the Final Coming, Jesus' Return that He promised us. Jesus is the Alpha, the origin of all creation, and Jesus is the Omega, the final end, the final goal of all Creation, as Love finally reigns in all the Cosmos! What an immense Mission we have!

[2] It is **National Youth Sunday** and we rejoice in our young people who are called to the adventure of building a better world, where Love will Reign! We encourage our young people to come and take part in various ways in this Mass.

[3] We have the joy of celebrating the **Baptism of two of our children**. Please pray for their families.

[4] **Mass with our LBGTQ+ friends and families** at 3.00pm

THOUGHT FOR 33rd SUNDAY ***JESUS FLYING ON CLOUDS???***

Darkness - a world and a universe falling apart - and then comes Jesus breaking through the darkness with Glory! Jesus uses imagery from the prevailing non-scientific world view to speak of the utter Cosmic significance of His transforming presence in the world's history. It makes no sense to our modern scientific world view to picture Jesus flying around on clouds with hundreds of angels!

But it does make sense to speak of the power of transforming love that Jesus unleashes by His death and Resurrection and the outpouring of that Love in the Holy Spirit at Pentecost - a Love and Life empowering His disciples, His Church to be agents of Divine transformation and change. We are to build a new future in the loving power of the Spirit, to be co-workers with the Risen Lord among us and within us in order to 'renew the face of the Earth' Indeed Jesus is of Cosmic importance and the power we have will transform all Creation!

DIOCESAN PRAYER Today the Diocese prays for the Parishes in Communion for Mission of St George, St Therese of Lisieux, Taunton and St John Fisher, Wellington, St Richard, Wiveliscombe served by Fr Tom Dubois, Fr David Savoury, Deacon Trevor Jones, Parish Administrator, Mrs Carolyn Kirby and Mrs Veronica Gaywood and all their communities.

PRAY FOR THIS WEEK'S PARISH MINISTRY OR MISSION Pray God's Blessing for the **Ministry of our Pastor, Richard, our trainee Deacons, Andrew and Robert, and our wider Pastoral Team**. The purpose of the Ordained Ministries in the Church (Bishop, Priest and Deacon) is to enable, develop and encourage the ministries entrusted by the Holy Spirit to all baptised and confirmed members of the Church, and never to replace them! We are all

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shepherds, all servants, all proclaimers of the gospel in Word, Action and Community. Please pray that the Global Synod will begin the process of bringing new models of ordained ministry, more inclusive and more faithful to the New Testament Church - models of ordained ministry that include women and men, married and single.

WORD OF GOD FOR THIRTY-SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday	1 Kings 17: 10-16 / Psalm 145 / Hebrews 9: 24-28 / Mark 12: 38-44
Monday	Wisdom 1: 1-7 / Psalm 138 / Luke 17: 1-6
Tuesday	Exodus 47: 6-9 / Psalm 45 / 1 Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17 / John 2: 13-22
Wednesday	Wisdom 6: 1-11 / Psalm 81 / Luke 17: 11-19
Thursday	Wisdom 7: 22-8: 1 / Psalm 118 / Luke 17: 20-25
Friday	Wisdom 13: 1-9 / Psalm 18 / Luke 17: 26-37
Saturday	Wisdom 18: 14-16, 19: 6-9 / Psalm 104 / Luke 18: 1-8

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

14th Nov	Remembrance Sunday - Day of Prayer for Peace
16th Nov	Parish Synod facilitators training on Zoom - 7.00-8.30pm
17th Nov	Clergy Deanery Meeting at 6.30pm
19th Nov	Parents Baptismal Preparation Second Session Assisi Centre at 6.00pm
20th Nov	Altar Servers Training begins - 10am-11am at the Church.
21st Nov	Feast of Christ the Universal King: National Youth Sunday Baptismal Sunday
24th Nov	Ashley Churches Together Serving meets at 12.30pm at Salvation Army
25th Nov	Together4Bristol AGM on Zoom at 7.00pm
26th Nov	Borderlands Trustees meet
28th Nov	First Sunday of Advent
8th Dec	Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Mass at 6.30pm
8th Dec	Parish Pastoral Council at 7.15pm - Assisi Centre
<u>2022</u>	
9th Jan	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord - Baptismal Sunday
19th Jan	Ashley Churches Together Serving meet at 12.30pm
19th Jan	Parish Finance Committee meets at 7.30pm

PLEASE NOTE: WHEN EMAILING RICHARD PLEASE USE FROM NOW ON USE THE FOLLOWING EMAIL: richard.mckay@cliftondiocese.com AND NO LONGER THE 'BLUEYONDER' EMAIL ADDRESS WHICH NO LONGER FUNCTIONS.

POPE FRANCIS CALLS US ALL TO THE TWO YEAR GLOBAL 'SYNOD' This is one of the most important moments in the history of the Modern Church, as Pope Francis challenges us all to take part in the Two Year Global Synod to serve the renewal and the reform of the church in our time. For the first time since the early Church, all God's People are called to speak their voice and help shape decisions that will affect the whole Church and its future development. That this process began on the Feast of St John Henry Newman is significant, for with prophetic vision and open mind and heart he wrote famously 'On Consulting the Laity on Matters of Doctrine'. **WE ARE ALL CALLED TO BE INVOLVED AND HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO SPEAK OUR VOICES.** Please use often the Parish Synod Prayer which is on our parish website.

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UPDATE ON THE SYNOD IN OUR PARISH Our Parish Pastoral Council met this week to lay plans for our participation in this hugely important process of listening and discerning 'what the Spirit is saying to the Church today'. A number of people representative of our diverse communities are being approached to gather groups together to listen to one another, speak their voices, journey together. There will be an information session with these group facilitators to guide them in this. The 'voices' from all the groups will be gathered together by the end of January and there will be a 'Full Parish Assembly' to explore this and formulate our parish contribution to the Diocese and the Global Church. ***I cannot emphasise too much how important this process is for the future of our parish, our diocese and the whole Church. PLEASE PLEASE take part generously.*** Further information soon.

PARISH SYNOD FACILITATORS TRAINING Thank you to all who have agreed to be Facilitators of the many 'listening' groups, enabling all who wish to take part and have a voice, contributing to the Two Year Global Synod. Will all facilitators attend one or other of the two training sessions. The first is for those who cannot attend in person and is **via Zoom on Tuesday 16th November at 7.00-8.30pm**; the second for all who can come in person is on **Saturday 27th November at 10.00-11.30am in the Assisi Centre**. For the Zoom training, the invitation to join in will be sent by email.

RECRUITING NEW ALTAR SERVERS I am inviting any children and young people who have made their First Eucharist to begin training as Altar Servers. I am also inviting those who have not served during Covid to come for a refresher course and help with the training. We meet for the first time on **Saturday 20th November at 10.30am (prompt)**. The training will last one hour. Parents, please let myself or Mary know your child wishes to train as a server and whether you can come to this first meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ANDREW Yesterday at St John's Church in Bath, our brother Andrew was formally inducted into the 'Ministry of Lector', the first major step towards the ordination as a permanent deacon. Please pray for him and Robert as they discern and journey towards the Diaconate. The word 'deacon' means one who serves, especially the poor.

DIOCESAN PARTICIPATION IN THE GLOBAL SYNOD BEGINS: For information Sessions about the Global Synod, especially our diocesan participation:

[1] Bristol Briefing at Emmaus House, Whitchurch on Saturday 13th November 10am to 12noon - for ticket please see Richard

[2] On-line sessions (via Microsoft Teams) on 8th and 9th November at 7.00pm - apply for link to email synod@cliftondiocese.com

More information about the Synod on the parish website.

JOURNEY OF FAITH 2021/2022 **Journey of Faith** meets each Friday at 6.00pm in the Assisi Centre. This is for all who want to discover more about the Catholic Faith we share, or who may be thinking of becoming Catholic Christians. Suitable for those who want to renew their faith or have been away from Mass for a long period, and for **Catholic adults who have never been Confirmed**. Who will you encourage to come and discover more about Christ Jesus and the joy and beauty of Faith?

NOVEMBER - A MONTH TO REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR THE DEAD We remember not only the dead of the wars that have been the scourge of past 100 years, but in this month all the Faithful Departed, all 'who have gone before marked with the sign faith' and indeed all of deceased humanity for all are precious in God's eyes. **Please take a Memorial Sheet today and fill in the names of all whom you want to be prayed for and remembered at every Mass celebrated in the parish this November.** They are with the Bulletin this week. Our prayer for them becomes part of God's loving them into the fulness of their lives!

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