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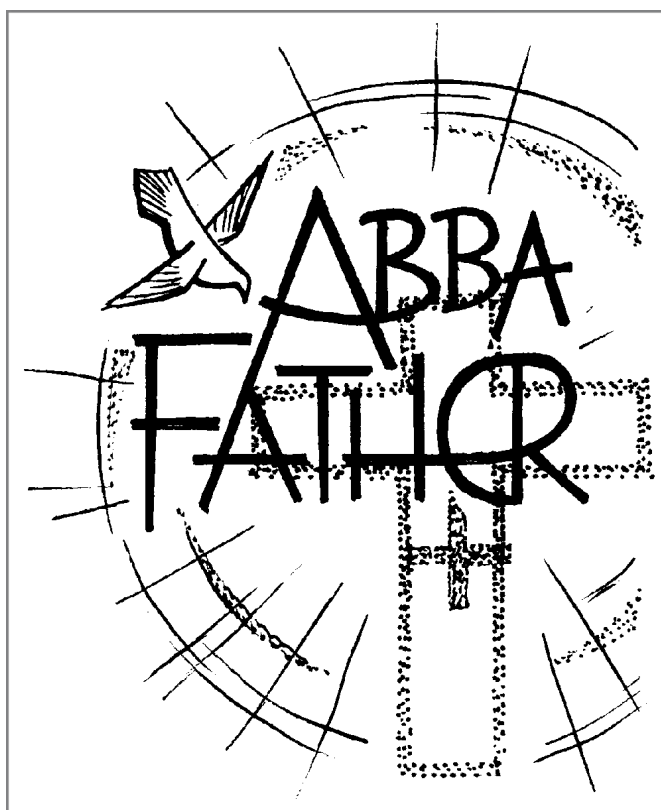
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## FEAST OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY



### ***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 Celebration of Baptism 10am (*live Parish Website*)  
*Signed Mass with the Catholic Deaf Association at 3.00pm - all welcome*

**MONDAY:** *Feast of St Anthony of Padua, Franciscan priest & theologian (1193-1231)*  
*Adoration at 5.30pm Service of Word and Communion at 6.00pm*

**TUESDAY:** *Adoration at 6.00pm Mass at 6.30pm*

**WEDNESDAY:** *Adoration at 6.00pm Mass at 6.30pm (live streamed on Parish Website)*

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**THURSDAY:** *Feast of St Richard of Chichester, Bishop (1197-1253)*  
*Adoration at 10.30am*      **Mass at 11.00am** *(NB Change of time due to a funeral)*

**FRIDAY:**      *Adoration at 6.00pm*      **Mass at 9.00am**

**SATURDAY:** *Adoration at 9.30am* Lay Eucharistic Ministers Training until **Mass at 12 noon**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** *after Mass & 4.00-4.30pm*

**TODAY:** [1] We celebrate the **Feast of the the Most Holy and undivided Trinity** - the Feast of the Being of God, who is Love, the Divine Community of self-giving relationships. This God Who is Love, this energy of Infinite self-giving is the very source, dynamism and goal of our evolving Universe. We celebrate not so much what God does as rather Who God is in this Feast - Love given, Love received, Love shared; Life-giver, Pain-bearer, Love-maker; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

[2] We have the joy of **celebrating Baptism** with some of our children, baptising them 'in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit'.

[3] **Signed Mass for the Catholic Deaf Association** at 3.00pm - all welcome, especially those unable to share in the 10am mass because of work or other issues

**NEXT SUNDAY:** [1] We celebrate the **Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ ('Corpus Christi')**, giving thanks to God for the 'inestimable gift' of all Jesus' love and life given us in the Eucharist we share Sunday by Sunday. In the Eucharist we meet the Crucified and Risen Christ, we enter into the liberation Jesus gained for us by his Death and Resurrection. There is no food or drink more wonderful, more life-giving than Jesus in the Eucharist. What could be more important than meeting coming and feasting on Him at Mass each Sunday?

[2] The **Mass will conclude with a Corpus Christi Procession** through the School Grounds (weather permitting). Let us express our love for the Christ we meet in the Eucharist and our gratitude for this most wonderful Sacrament by sharing in this Prayer Procession.

[3] **Mass with the LBGTO+ community and friends** at 3.00pm - all welcome including those unable to attend our 10am Mass

**DIOCESAN PRAYER** The Diocese prays for the Parishes in Communion for Mission of St Edmund, Calne and St Anthony of Padua, Melksham served by Fr Vincent Curtis, Parish Administrator Mrs Sharon Pearce and both their communities.

**PRAY FOR THIS WEEK'S PARISH MINISTRY OR MISSION** This week we pray for the Life and Ministry of our **Ethiopian Orthodox Community** who worship weekly in the Assisi Centre. It is a joy for us here at St Nicks to host this community, who religious tradition goes back to the time of the Acts of the Apostles. We greatly value the richness of their faith and worship of their ancient African tradition.

### **COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK**

Env £195.00 + Loose £205 + Card Reader £132.72 + S/O £111.05 = £643.77 - thank you  
**Caritas Fund** £5.00

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

12th June	<b>Feast of the Holy Trinity - Baptismal Sunday</b>
16th June	Lay Ministers of the Eucharist Training [catch-up 1] Church 6.30-8.00pm
18th June	Lay Ministers of the Eucharist Training [2] 9.30am to after 12 noon Mass
19th June	<b>Feast of the Body &amp; Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) with Procession</b>
22nd June	Presentation of Diocesan Synod Report at Clifton Cathedral at 7.00pm
23rd June	Lay Ministers of the Eucharist Training [catch-up 2] Church 6.30-8.00pm
25th June	Lay Ministers of the Eucharist Training [3] 9.30am to after 12 noon Mass

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29th June	<b>Feast of Ss Peter &amp; Paul (HolyDay of Obligation)</b>
30th June	Lay Ministers of the Eucharist Training [catch-up 1] Church 6.30-8.00pm
2nd July	Prayer Morning for all Lay Ministers of the Eucharist 9.30am-1.00pm
2nd July	Mass Celebrating Marriage with Bp Declan in Clifton Cathedral at 12noon
3rd July	Commissioning & Recommissioning of all Lay Ministers of Eucharist at 10am Mass
5th July	Newly-elected Parish Pastoral Council meets at 7.15pm (Assisi Centre)
9th July	Ordination of Joseph Meigh to the priesthood at Clifton Cathedral at 11.00am
10th July	<b>First Eucharist Sunday at 10.00am Mass</b>
15-17th July	National Quest Conference in Bristol
20th July	St Nicholas of Tolentino School Leavers and End of Year Mass at 9.30am
20th July	Ashley Churches Together Serving (ACTS) meets Parkway Methodist 12.30pm

**MASS WITH BISHOP DECLAN IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE** As in previous years, we are invited to celebrate and value the vocation to Christian Marriage at this special Mass in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 2nd July at 12 noon. He would like to invite personally couples who are celebrating their wedding in 2022 or are celebrating special anniversaries (25, 40, 50, 60, etc). Please let Richard know if you have such an event this year.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** [1] To help Carol Strainge with re-opening and running our 'Repository Shop' in the Parish Hall during refreshments after Mass on Sundays. It will involve setting up, ordering items, occasional stock-taking etc. For information please contact Richard and Carol as soon as possible

[2] We need a couple of volunteers with some admin and person skills to give a morning (10.00-1.00pm) in the parish office. There are increasing demands as the ministry of the Parish Office grows as the 'Pastoral interface' with our local community in its many needs. At the moment there is no-one to staff the Office on Tuesday and Friday mornings. If you can help, please see Richard or Margaret. Thank you.

**CALLING YOUNG PEOPLE 18+ - WORLD DAY OF YOUTH WITH POPE FRANCIS**  
**Special Youth Pilgrimage to Lisbon 31 July to 8 August 2023**

World Youth Day will next take place in Lisbon in 2023. The Diocesan Department for Adult Education and Evangelisation is organising an eight-day pilgrimage from July 31 to August 8, 2023 for young adults [18-35] in our diocese. The provisional plan is to spend six nights in Lisbon and two nights in Fatima. There will be formation sessions for the group before the pilgrimage to build community and support one another in our faith journey. If you are interested in learning more about the Clifton Diocese World Youth Day 2023 Pilgrimage, and will be at least 18 years old on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023, please register your interest at [World Youth Day 2023 | Clifton Diocese](https://www.wydc.org.uk/). Simon and Jason will hold three information sessions about the Department for Adult Education and Evangelisation World Youth Day 2023 Pilgrimage in Lisbon. These information sessions will provide information about both the pilgrimage itself and the formation series leading up to the pilgrimage. We invite any young adults to join, even if you are unsure of whether you want to go on the WYD Pilgrimage. The dates for the sessions are: **Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup> all at 7:00pm** To sign up for one of the sessions, please email [wyd2023@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:wyd2023@cliftondiocese.com) and let us know which session you would like to attend. If you will be 18 by April 2023 but are not yet, please let us know so we can send a simple consent form.

***Richard writes - I hope some of our young people will want to take up this remarkable opportunity. The estimated cost is for the 8 day pilgrimage is £1200. As a parish we will support fundraising efforts towards the cost as we do not want any young person who wants to go to be stopped because of the cost.***

**CALLING YOUNG PEOPLE TO FLAME 2023** As youth ministry "rebuilds" after the pandemic we hope this is an exciting prospect – something to aim for, and give hope, as young people (and all of us) get used to socialising again.

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The theme of Flame 2023 – which is exactly 150 days before World Youth Day in Lisbon – takes the WYD Scripture (“Mary arose and went in haste”) and crystallises it into the theme, “Rise Up!” Rise up after the pandemic, Rise up as young Catholics, Rise up – as Mary did – for the surprising and beautiful adventure that is our Catholic faith. Learn more about Flame 2023 at [FLAME – CYMFed](#) This year, Clifton Diocese has booked tickets and a coach for 50 people. If you're interested in booking a ticket through and traveling with the diocese, please send an email to [youth@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:youth@cliftondiocese.com).

**ELECTIONS TO OUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** As we seek to embed the process of Synod (listening and walking together as Church, discerning what the Spirit is saying to us), the servant leadership of the members of the PPC is crucial. We are moving to an increasingly lay-led parish served by a non-resident priest (likely to be Richard after his ‘semi-retirement’ in 2-3 years time). The role of the PPC has become crucially important, giving leadership, ensuring Pastoral Care and Mission outreach, and enabling the liturgical and spiritual life of the parish. It is not about status, but about generous service. Those nominated for election to the PPC need to have commitment to this vision and capacity to foster it. Nomination papers will be distributed today. Each parishioner (including young people who have been confirmed) can nominate up to three people. But the nomination paper has to be countersigned by the person you wish to nominate - expressing their agreement. **All Nominations need to be given into the Presbytery or the Parish office by Sunday 12th June.** Voting will take place on Sunday at Mass on 26th June, but people who cannot be at Mass that day can ask for an early vote. Thank you.

**CALLING ALL LAY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST** Because of Covid restrictions it was not possible for some time to select or train new Lay Ministers of the Eucharist or provide refresher training for existing ministers. This is now an urgent task. Thank you to those who have agreed to serve and be trained (including four young people). I wish to ask all existing Lay Ministers to prayerfully reflect whether their circumstances have changed (eg, health and mobility, work patterns etc) and they need to step away from this Ministry. **Please let me know as soon as possible.** Those existing Lay Ministers who are willing and able to continue in this ministry are invited to attend the Training Sessions with our new Lay Ministers. **Saturdays 11th, 18th and 25th June 9.30am till after 12noon Mass. All Lay Ministers (both new and existing) are asked to attend a ‘Retreat’ Morning of Prayer on Saturday 2nd July and the Commissioning and Re-Commissioning at 10am Mass on Sunday 3rd July.** Let us all pray for those who serve our community in this Ministry. **Because some people cannot attend all or some of the Saturday sessions, there will ‘catch up’ sessions on Thursdays 16th, 23rd, and 30th June 6.30-8.00pm.** These are only for those who really cannot attend on the Saturday.

**OUR BISHOPS AND THE CALL TO SUNDAY MASS** The Bishops of England and Wales are calling us to rebuild our parish communities (as well as our own lives in Christ) by renewing our commitment to participating in person in Sunday Mass. While live-streamed Masses and Services have been really important when Covid prevented us from coming to Mass, and remain important for those unable because of illness, caring responsibilities or essential work, they must not become a convenient substitute for attending Mass, being part of the worshipping community gathered together and sharing in the Eucharist and the mission of service that flows from the Eucharist. Everyone, please make every effort to come and share with your Parish community our Mass every Sunday, unless unavoidably prevented.

**PRESENTATION OF DIOCESAN SYNOD REPORT JUNE 22nd 7.00pm at Cathedral** During the Liturgy each parish/community will be presented with the Report, and St Nick's has been asked to sing expressing the cultural diversity of the local and Global Church. Please come in numbers! *Parish and Zimbabwean choirs and other singer invited & needed!*

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