

SS LAWRENCE AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

18th and 19th June 2022 Proper of the Solemnity Year C

DPL- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Chippenham; St Patrick, Corsham

SECOND COLLECTION: Building Fund



SAT	18 th	CS	5.00pm	CORPUS CHRISTI	Williams Family Intention
SUN	19 th	StP	11.00am	CORPUS CHRISTI	Special Intention
Tue	21 st	CS	9.30	Mass St Aloysius Gonzaga	
Wed	22 nd	StP	9.30	Mass SS John Fisher & Thomas More	
Thur	23 rd			No Service (Solemnity Birth of John the Baptist)	
Fri	24 th	CS	9.30	Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
SAT	25 th	CS	5.00pm	THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
SUN	26 th	StP	11.00am	THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
Tue	28 th	CS	9.30am	Mass	
Wed	29 th	StP	9.30am	Mass Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul	
Thur	30 th			No Service (Dedication of the Cathedral Church of SS Peter and Paul)	
Fri	1 st Jul	CS	9.30am	Mass	
SAT	2 nd	CS	5.00pm	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mrs Pat Jones
SUN	3 rd	StP	11.00am	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Maria Sancto Corte Real

Confessions: please contact Parish Priest for appointment.

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Summer Fête - Thank you!



After missing out on our annual Summer Fête for the past two years, we were finally able to come together today to enjoy a great day. This event doesn't just happen by chance, a lot of people have lent a hand into making this day a success. A huge thank you to everyone who helped: setting up before the day, packing away at the end, the donations towards our stalls, the bakers of cakes and goodies and purveyors of other foodstuff, and everyone who parted with their hard-earned cash. A special mention to Pat O'Rourke and Kay and Tony Chapman who worked tirelessly to bring it all together.

A VIGIL FOR PEACE AND HEALING IN THE WORLD

LOV Verbum Dei Ministry, in collaboration with Clifton Cathedral Development Group, are organising an all-night vigil at Clifton Cathedral from **8.00pm on Friday 24 to 8.00am on Saturday 25 June**. Join us in person at the Cathedral or via all-night live streaming to pray for peace and healing throughout the world. Bishop Declan will close the vigil with Mass @ 7:30am on 25 June. A light breakfast will be served in the Apostle Room after Mass. All are welcome.

(No entry between 10.00pm and 06.00 am)

For more information, please email Appolinaire Etoundi at: appolinaire_etoundi@msn.com

**PARISH AGM Tuesday 5th July 7.00pm
St Paul's Church**

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

19th June - Building Fund

26th June - Peter's Pence

10th July - Apostleship of the Sea

USED STAMPS

I continue to collect stamps for this Charity this year. Thank you very much. Sr. Greta

THE HOLY FATHER'S Prayer Intention for June - For Families - For Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

BONUS BALL Game 984 w/n 13 Stella Poole £25 plus £25 for the Building Fund.



Many thanks for your continuing support. Please speak to Kay Chapman or Pat O'Rourke for more information.

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What's on?



Emergency Hospital Admission: If you or a family member are in hospital and require an urgent visit from a priest please speak to the Ward Manager and ask him/her to contact a Catholic Priest. For emergencies, Priests in the Clifton Diocese operate a rota whereby whoever is on call is contactable via a "bleeper".

Hospital In-Patients: On admission to hospital as a patient, you or your carer should inform the hospital admission staff that you are a Catholic and wish to be visited by the Catholic Chaplain. The hospital will not ask for this information, it is up to the patient to make it known and to make sure that a note is made. The Catholic Chaplain will normally be the local Parish Priest where the hospital is situated, but not always. It is also important that you inform your own Parish Priest.

Synod Evening Liturgy: Bishop Declan invites every Parish to an evening liturgy at the Cathedral on June 22nd at 7.00pm when he will also present Clifton's Synod report to each Parish. We would ask those wishing to attend to book onto the event via this link (Eventbrite): <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/evening-liturgy-synod-tickets-327123734897>

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. 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 travelling with the diocese, please send an email to youth@cliftondiocese.com

WYD 2023

World Youth Day will next take place in Lisbon in 2023. The 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 1st April 2023, please register your interest at World Youth Day 2023 | Clifton Diocese.

LGBT+ Mass - A monthly celebration of the Eucharist for LGBT+ Catholics, Families and Friends at 3.00pm on Sunday 19th June St Nicholas of Tolentino, Easton (Ladford's Gate, Bristol BS5 0RE. All are welcome.
For more information visit www.tolentino.org.uk or email LGBT Ministry: inclusionforall@cliftondiocese.com

Reflections for the Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ Year C Corpus Christi

1st Reading from the Book of Genesis 14:18-20.

The appearance of this priestly King, who brought out gifts of bread and wine, as an offering to Abraham for rescuing Lot and all his possessions from the Elamites a Gentile tribe. He blesses Abraham and the God of all creation. It is a strange episode within the saga of Abraham, yet this fleeting appearance of Melchizedek, leaves a lasting image within scripture, and will be highlighted by the offering Jesus will give us, to celebrate his victory over death and evil.

Psalm 109: 1-4.

This strange priestly king is again recalled in this passage, that Jesus will quote to the Pharisees, when he is disputing about the Messiah being a descendant of David. It addresses the Messiah as David's Lord, and therefore of more importance, and the recollection of this priest with his gifts of bread and wine is once more lauded within scripture, as we await the real meaning to be fulfilled in Jesus.

2nd Reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 11: 23-26.

This passage is announced to remind the Corinthians that this is a Holy Eucharist, not for sordid squabbles and divisions or feasting and drunkenness. Paul recalls the solemnity and full importance of the offering we are enacting, the death of our Lord Jesus, until he comes again. So, he calls to unity, reverence and peace within our communities, for those approaching the sacred species.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 9: 11-17.

We are taken back to the feeding of the People of Israel in the desert in Exodus. Luke also mentions how Jesus welcomed the crowds, for Luke, "Hospitality" is very important. It is a very powerful story, and of course prefigures the Eucharist where he will feed us all with Himself in the form of Bread and Wine, his own Body and Blood.

This is one of the most beautiful feasts in the Churches' calendar. It is a time to actually contemplate the gift of himself to us. Don't try to understand it just experience it with the eyes of Faith, and it will reignite the coldest of hearts, for in believing in Christ, the Father accepts us as His Children, brothers and sisters of Christ.

God Bless us all now and always. Deacon Vincent

Safeguarding our Vulnerable Adults and Children: All church activities are subject to safeguarding policies and procedures. We encourage everyone to access these policies which can be found in the Diocesan Resource along with important contact numbers on the safeguarding pages. **Parish website:** <http://www.stlawrenceandstpaul.co.uk/cliftondiocese.html>
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www.cliftondiocese.com
www.vatican.va

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