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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - PSALTER WEEK 4

THERE ARE NO PUBLIC MASSES, OR STATIONS OF THE CROSS TAKING PLACE THIS WEEK

Clifton Cathedral will be live streaming a daily Mass on their Facebook page 'Clifton Cathedral', don't forget to click 'like' to be able to watch!

Father Bill will be saying Mass privately during the week with the following intentions:

Sunday – people of the parish
Monday – Mervyn Ind †
Tuesday – Vincent Shaw †
Saturday – Anne Sweet and family †

LECTIONARY

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| Sun | 1Sm 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13 | Psalm 22 | Eph 5: 8-14 | John 9: 1-41 |
| Mon | Is 65: 17-21 | Psalm 29: 2-6, 11-13 | | John 4: 43-54 |
| Tues | Ez 47: 1-9, 12 | Psalm 45: 2-9 | | John 5: 1-3, 5-16 |
| Wed | Is 7: 10-14, 8: 10 | Psalm 39: 7-11 | Heb 10: 4-10 | Luke 1: 26-38 |
| Thurs | Ex 32: 7-14 | Psalm 105: 19-23 | | John 5: 31-47 |
| Fri | Wis 2: 1, 12-22 | Psalm 33: 16-23 | | John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30 |
| Sat | Jer 11: 18-20 | Psalm 7: 2-3, 9-12 | | John 7: 40-52 |

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT ST JOSEPH'S

Vi. Burrage, Mike Gibbons and Olga, Julie Wood, Elizabeth Carr, Mary Evans, Rosemary Mabud, Aine Anderson, Mary Scully, Maggie, Rosemary Sturup

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Edith Mason, James Tole, Florence Stevens, Ellen Kinsella, Michael Roche, Sarah Yates, Anne Sibbick, Martin Callinan, Henrietta Slintak, Amy Clutterbuck, Anthony Camilleri, Michael Kane, Helen Rice

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT THE ANNUNCIATION

Fr. Richard Finn O.P. and family, Rebekah Hollingshead, Brendon Conboy, Della Cox, Jo Heffernan, Barry Norris, Cynthia Stevens, Peggy Chapman, Barry Taylor, John Presland, Tony Thompson, Georgina Mazzone, Frances Little, Christopher Notley, Trese Hulbert, Elizabeth Lillinton, Tina Hathaway, Phil Goodwin, Chris Jay

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Jacob White, Ian McIver, Walter Holmes, Robert Wilson, Constance Niblett, Marguerite Breach, Patrick McKee, Hilda Hook, Sally Roberts, Julia Bowring, Michael Cowley, V. Barrough Francis Tristram, Sr. Mary Joseph O'Connor

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

That the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

Chew Magna: Sacred Heart; Withywood: St Pius X

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

We are now in a situation where public masses are being suspended until further notice. We are doing our best to contact all parishioners, but please spread the word where you can.

Unfortunately, we have been advised by the Bishop not to live stream any Masses from our individual churches via any social media.

CANCELLATIONS

Please note that following events have been cancelled:

All Choir Practices

Monday, 23rd March, 1.45pm; Monday 30th March, 7pm and Monday, 6th April at 1.45pm at The Annunciation.

CANCELLED.

St Matthews Passion and Resurrection Narratives

Weds, 25th March, 7.30pm and Emmaus House.

CANCELLED.

Retreat Day

Friday 28th, March at Prinknash Abbey. **CANCELLED.**

Heaven and Earth Concert

Tuesday, 31st March, 7pm at St Peter's High School.

CANCELLED.

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Bishop Declan

Thursday, 2nd April, 7pm at St Gregory, Cheltenham.

CANCELLED.

Lent Lunches

Every Friday, 12pm at St Joseph's, Stonehouse.

CANCELLED.

It is currently looking unlikely that the following events will go ahead, but we will confirm nearer the time once more is known:

Egg Painting with Deacon Bogdan

Saturday, 4th April, 12pm at St Joseph's, Stonehouse.

Blessing of Baskets

Saturday, 11th April at 12pm at St Joseph's, Stonehouse.

It is looking likely that the following will not be public Masses. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is removed.

Chrism Mass

Wednesday, 8th April at Clifton Cathedral.

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Thursday, 9th April, 7.30pm at The Annunciation, Woodchester.

Veneration of the Cross

Friday, 10th April, 3pm at both St Joseph's Stonehouse and The Annunciation, Woodchester.

Easter Vigil Mass

Saturday, 11th April, 8pm at The Annunciation, Woodchester.

Easter Sunday Mass

Sunday, 12th April, 11am at The Annunciation, Woodchester.

IN GENERAL

FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES

Please note that the date of the First Communions taking place has been postponed. We are asking that in the meantime parents work through the books the children have been given at home with them, as lessons cannot continue at present.

VULNERABLE PARISHIONERS

If you are or know of a vulnerable parishioner who needs support during this difficult time, by means of help with shopping, errand running, or just a friendly phonecall, then with their permission, can you email their name, phone number/address to either: stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com or Woodchester.theannunciation@cliftondiocese.com and we will do our best to assist. If you would like to volunteer to help a vulnerable parishioner, please could you send your name and contact details to one of the above email addresses. Many thanks.

POTENTIAL ROLE OF QUALIFIED FINANCE MANAGER – 3 DAYS PER WEEK

The Finance team in Alexander House have a potential vacancy for a part-time qualified Finance Manager on a fixed term contract for up to 12 months. This role may suit someone who is recently retired and is considered a short-term engagement. If you would like to know more about the role, please contact Lyn Murray, Chief Operating Officer, on 0117 902 5598 or Lyn.Murray@cliftondiocese.com

ST JOSEPH'S

RAISING FUNDS TO BUY A DEFIBRILLATOR FOR ST JOSEPH'S

Guess the number of Easter Eggs in the jar!! After 3 Sunday's of 'guesses' we have started the fundraising towards a parish defibrillator with £36. Thank you to everyone who 'guessed', Helene McDermott guessed correctly with 73 Easter Eggs. Many thanks to everyone for your support.

THE ANNUNCIATION

CHAIR OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

There is a current vacancy to become Chair of the Finance Committee. It would be helpful if you have previous finance experience, but it is not necessary. There are four meetings a year that you would need to attend. If you are interested, please could you contact Father Bill.

Item for the Bulletin? You can send items for the bulletin (by the Wednesday) to stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com or post them through the presbytery letterbox. For The Annunciation, email: stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com or post in the church letterbox (by front gate) or leave a message on 01453 822121. Any financial matters for Stonehouse, please email admin.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com