

# ST JOSEPH'S, STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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## TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - PSALTER WEEK 4

### THERE ARE NO PUBLIC MASSES TAKING PLACE THIS WEEK

There is a live daily Mass from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in Clifton Cathedral. The Mass is 9.30am and can be viewed on the Diocesan website:  
<http://cliftondiocese.com>

If you would like this newsletter emailed to you each week, please send your email address to either [stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com) or [Woodchester.theannunciation@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Woodchester.theannunciation@cliftondiocese.com), depending on your parish

## LECTIONARY

Sun	Jer 20: 10-13	Psalm 68: 8-10, 14, 17, 33-35	Rom 5: 12-15	Matthew 10: 26-33
Mon	2Mc 6: 18, 21, 24-31	Psalm 59: 3-5, 12-13		Matthew 24: 4-13
Tues	2Kgs 19: 9-11, 14-21, 31-36	Psalm 47: 2-4, 10-11		Matthew 7: 6, 12-14
Wed	Is 49: 1-6	Psalm 138: 1-3, 13-15	Acts 13: 22-26	Luke 1: 57-66, 80
Thurs	2Kgs 24: 8-17	Psalm 78: 1-9		Matthew 7: 21-29
Fri	2Kgs 25: 1-12	Psalm 136: 1-6		Matthew 8: 1-4
Sat	Lam 2: 2, 10-14, 18-19	Psalm 73: 1-7, 20-21		Matthew 8: 5-17

### 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, Joan Franklin

### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Kathleen Cratchley, Fr Piers Linley OP, Gilda Calenti, Fr John Reville, Bernard Hopkinson, Amanda O'Dowd

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT THE ANNUNCIATION

Fr. Richard Finn O.P. and family, Rebekah Hollingshead, Brendon Conboy, Della Cox, 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, Dr. Roy Lamb

### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

William Fletcher, Lilian Mulvany, Helen Prideau, Alfred Clifford, Gladys Sellars, Joanna Miskell, Thomas Williams, Josephine Fitzsimmons, Joseph Leciejewski, Sr. Teresa Joseph O'Donnell, Joy Wright, Ruth Cournand, Patrick Ford

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

That all those who suffer may find their way of life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

*Gloucester: St Peter*

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Last weekend, Father Bill and Deacon Bogdan met with the pastoral team and the health and safety representatives to discuss the possibility of opening St Joseph's and The Annunciation for private prayer. As you can imagine, for either church to re-open at present, there is a lengthy list of requirements that need to be met to ensure parishioners safety. Through much discussion, it was decided the best option for both parishes is for the churches to remain closed until we are able to open for Mass. There is a lot of preparation that needs to be undertaken for public opening and this is what will be concentrated on in the meantime. We are currently looking at recruiting stewards in both parishes, who will help with the responsibility of maintaining a high standard of health and safety whilst COVID-19 is still a threat. If this would interest you and you are under 70 and don't have any underlying health issues then please contact either [Woodchester.theannunciation@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:Woodchester.theannunciation@clifftondiocese.com) or [stonehouse.stjoseph@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:stonehouse.stjoseph@clifftondiocese.com) depending on your parish. You would need to undertake safeguarding training and also COVID-19 training (options are available online) and be able to commit to a rota once the churches re-open for Mass. We appreciate this may not be the news you were hoping to hear, but the health and safety of all our parishioners has to be paramount. We look forward to welcoming you back when churches can re-open for Mass.

### IN GENERAL

#### GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel is full of consolation and encouragement. Three times Jesus tells his disciples not to be afraid, not to fear. We are to be fearless even in the face of adversity because we are known by God, loved and cherished intimately. If sparrows are precious in the eyes of God, we are even more precious. If there has been a time in our history when we have needed to be courageous, it has been this time during COVID-19. For many it has been a very frightening period and they have been incredibly courageous. This is often what discipleship is like. There can be hardship but there is also the knowledge that we are passionately loved by God. There are some who do not know that they are loved. As disciples of Christ we are called to share the Good News so that everyone in the world comes to know that they are precious, that they are loved and the one who created them is close to them.

#### ST DOMINIC'S SCHOOL (WOODCHESTER) ART PROJECT

St Dominic's School would like to present an art project as a gift from the school to The Annunciation as they have been linked together for such a substantial period of time. They are looking for your input! If you would like to be involved, please take a photo of your hands making a heart shape on a plain background colour of your choice and email your picture to [\[dominics.gloucs.sch.uk\]\(mailto:dominics.gloucs.sch.uk\) by 6<sup>th</sup> July. All that are received will be put into a final art piece that will look something like this:](mailto:head@st-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)



With an added prayer that says "Let us remember, that as many hands build a house, so many hearts build a school".

#### THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

2020 is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Verbum Domini – Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation on 'The Word of the Lord' and the 1,600 anniversary of St Jerome's death. These dates have inspired the Catholic Bishop's Conference of England and Wales to dedicate 2020 as a year of focus on the Bible and 'The God who Speaks'. The Bishop's Conference have relaunched their website for the God who Speaks, which you can visit at <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/>

#### STROUD FOODBANK

Along with other donors, we have received a big thank you from Stroud Foodbank, who have seen a massive response during lockdown. Their April figures are almost 200% higher than this time last year, showing how much generosity is present in our community, even during such a difficult time. Obviously, we have not been able to gather our contributions through church as we usually would, but the majority of our local supermarkets have a dedicated place for you to donate. Items they are still looking for are: tinned fruit, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, tinned potatoes, crisps, snacks, toiletries. No baked beans!

#### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION FOR CHILDREN

The Catholic Children's Society and the World Community for Christian Meditation are producing videos on Christian Meditation for primary aged children and secondary aged pupils on weekdays. In these difficult times of Covid 19, it is with a mind to look after the spiritual well-being of children and young people that we have produced these. To view the videos and see more information, please visit:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6Cb5LrAIU7\\_MPT\\_RDMUBcvQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6Cb5LrAIU7_MPT_RDMUBcvQ).

<https://www.time-to-change.org.uk/>

Is a useful site as it has lots of tips for supporting someone, personal stories, explanations of different mental health categories, myth busting facts and material and resources for promoting 'time to talk day'.

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