

ST JOSEPH'S, STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - PSALTER WEEK 4

ST JOSEPH'S			THE ANNUNCIATION	
Sun	9.00am	Mass: <i>People of parish</i>	11.00am	Mass: <i>People of parish</i>
Mon		No Mass		No Mass
Tue		No Mass		No Mass
Wed		No Mass		No Mass
Thurs		No Mass		No Mass
Fri		No Mass		No Mass
Sat		No Mass		No Mass

LECTIONARY

Sun	Apoc 11: 19, 12:1-6, 10	Psalm 44: 10-12, 16	1Cor 15: 20-26	Luke 1: 39-56
Mon	Ez 24: 15-24	Dt 32: 18-21		Matthew 19: 16-22
Tues	Ez 28: 1-10	Dt 32: 26-30, 35-56		Matthew 19: 23-30
Wed	Ez 34: 1-11	Psalm 22		Matthew 20: 1-16
Thurs	Ez 36: 23-28	Psalm 50: 12-15, 18-19		Matthew 22: 1-14
Fri	Ez 37: 1-14	Psalm 106: 2-9		Matthew 22: 34-40
Sat	Ez 43: 1-7	Psalm 84: 9-14		Matthew 23: 1-12

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

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Rosemary Sturup, Carmelo Farrugia, Marian Rudnicki, Roberto Sgamma, Peter Kelly, Beatrice Emery

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

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Ernest Chrapec, John Cole, Helen Foster, Margaret De'ath, Richard Devitt, George Waring, Anthony Thorley

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

For all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

Stroud with Bisley, Brownhill, Painswick, Randwick and More Hall: Immaculate Conception

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

CURRENTLY WE ARE ONLY HAVING SUNDAY MASS: 9AM MASS AT ST JOSEPH AND 11AM AT WOODCHESTER

Please note that the following stipulations are still in place:

- Upon arrival at the Church, you will be greeted by a steward who will take your temperature with a non-touch thermometer and will advise you about hand sanitization and ask for your contact info. They will have a box for weekly collection money to be put into.
- Pews and aisles inside will be marked as to where you can go.
- Numbers are limited: 20 people at St Josephs and 50 at Woodchester.
- Mass will be simplified; there is no Sign of Peace, no bidding prayers, no Prayer of the Faithful, no children's liturgy, no offertory procession and no hymns.
- All readings will be done by Father Bill and Deacon Bogdan.
- There will be no altar servers.
- Stay seated at communion until stewards usher you to go forward. Communion is to be taken on the hand only and do not speak with receiving it.
- No reusables, such as hymn books or missals will be available.
- Father Bill and Deacon Bogdan are not able to socialize, so will "appear and disappear"!
- The sacristy is for the use of Father Bill alone and he will use this space to cleanse vessels used in Mass.
- Children are welcome to attend Mass, but must be supervised and seated at all times.
- Facemasks must be worn at all times by all parishioners.

Going forward, admittance to Mass is on a "first come, first serve" basis. There is no need to call or email ahead of time.

Please note Sunday obligation is still removed at present. If you would like to volunteer to be a steward please contact the office by the emails stated above. We are also looking for volunteer cleaners at St Joseph's – again please contact the office if you are able to help out.

———— IN GENERAL ————

**THIS SUNDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION
OF OUR LADY**

GOSPEL REFLECTION

We hear in today's Gospel how the baby in Elizabeth's womb leaps for joy when she is greeted by Mary, and she is filled with the Holy Spirit. Mary has travelled to see her cousin, Elizabeth, to share her amazing news that she is to bear a son who will be named Jesus. The joy of the two women is electrifying. Mary is full of praise for God who has 'done great things' in her. Mary's response to Elizabeth's praise is a song of hope for great things to come. God is at the heart of this prayer, a God who is to bring salvation to all and Mary is to be the bearer of the

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one who will bring about the justice that the poor have longed for. Mary's joy reflects the inner longing she has had for the oppressed in her own country to be released from their pain. She has given her unequivocal yes to God's invitation to her. As a young woman at the start of her life this was a generous and selfless act of personal sacrifice. Mary was giving her body and her life to the world. What is God's invitation to us to this day and in the week ahead? Can we say yes to God, even if that yes is costly? If we do, then we too will be able to sing of the marvellous things God has done for us.

PRINKNASH MONASTERY SHOP & CAFÉ RE-OPENED

They are serving delicious Fairtrade coffee, home-baked cakes and light lunches with lots of outside space and socially distanced tables. We also have religious books, cards, CDs, rosaries, and other devotional aids. The Benedictine Community extends a warm welcome to all guests. More details from: queries@monasteryshopandcafe.co.uk.

UPDATE FROM STROUD FOODBANK

Stroud Foodbank has been delivering all its emergency food parcels since mid-March and has been able to stay fully operational. They were able to get Easter holiday food directly to families as soon as the schools closed, easing anxiety for many. The demand between mid-March and the end of June was almost three times as much as previous years. All those who had an emergency food parcel were able to receive a week's worth of cooked meals from The Long Table. Although they emptied their well-stocked warehouse, the major supermarkets donated directly and lots of local people gave generously to support the foodbank's efforts. There were many local initiatives around food and other support has also bridge the gap in our communities. The foodbank is making all the necessary arrangements to ensure they are ready for Autumn and Winter. Thank you to all who have and continue to support.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSE READERS

At the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, with free postage. Please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call 0161 8205722 and they will arrange this for you. They currently have a special offer of 3 months for £22, or 12 months for £80.

———— ST JOSEPH'S ————

ROSEMARY STURRUP RIP

We are sad to announce that Rosemary passed away on the morning of Saturday, 8th August. We offer her family our condolences. May she rest in peace.

STEWARDS AT MASS

We are still in need of more volunteers to come forward as stewards! If you are over the age of 18, have no previous health problems and aren't sharing a bubble with anyone who is shielding and are able to commit to a rota, please contact the office at stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com