

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

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## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD - PSALTER WEEK 1 - 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021

**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://clifftondiocese.com>

### LECTIONARY

Sun	Is 42: 1-4, 6-7	Is 12:2-6	Acts 10: 34-38	Mark 1: 7-11
Mon	Heb 1: 1-6	Psalm 96: 1-2, 6-9		Mark 1: 14-20
Tues	Heb 2: 5-12	Psalm 8: 2, 5-9		Mark 1: 21-28
Wed	Heb 2: 14-18	Psalm 104: 1-4, 6-9		Mark 1: 29-39
Thurs	Heb 3: 7-14	Psalm 94: 6-11		Mark 1: 40-45
Fri	Heb 4: 1-5, 11	Psalm 77: 3-8		Mark 2: 1-12
Sat	Heb 4: 12-16	Psalm 18: 8-10, 15		Mark 2: 13-17

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT ST JOSEPH'S

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

William Nolan, John Lavin, Cecilia Richardson, Richard Bell, Christin Russell, Kathleen Slocombe, Frances Bingle, Anne Guy, Marjorie Grigg, Maurice Nairac, Grahame McDonnell, Edward Bologna, Phyllis Rush

### 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, Chris Jay, Penny Gear, Lisa Parker

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

Pawell Zimmermann, Elizabeth Kelly, Pauline Hall, Doris Herbert, Elizabeth Peterson, Sr. Mary Leonard Carr, William Teakle

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

That the Lord will give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

*Bath: St Mary; Batheaston: Good Shepherd*

**CORONAVIRUS UPDATE: WE ARE CURRENTLY CLOSED FOR MASS AT BOTH PARISHES FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. SUNDAY OBLIGATION IS REMOVED AT PRESENT.**

## IN GENERAL

### PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

O God, Creator of all things,  
who laid down for the human race the law of work,  
graciously grant  
that by the example of St Joseph and under his patronage  
we may complete the works you have set us to do,  
particularly as we strive to overcome the pandemic  
that has caused so many people to be out of work.  
May we attain the rewards you have promised to those who,  
like St Joseph, keep faith in you.  
Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen

- Father Bill

### COULD YOU BE A SCHOOL GOVERNOR?

Clifton Diocese is seeking to recruit people to serve on school governing bodies. If you believe in Catholic education, have enthusiasm and commitment, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing body of a Catholic school. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, for the benefit of the children in our schools. Please visit <https://cliftondiocese.com/news/could-you-be-a-school-governor/> for more information and to complete an online nomination form or contact [bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com) or 07710094976 – he would be delighted to hear from you. Your support for our schools would be much appreciated.

### COVID 19: A VERY CHALLENGING TIME FOR MANY MARRIAGES

So much uncertainty around health, income, employment, vulnerable family members, children, housing. Different ways of seeing things, coping with change, managing fears can be a source of conflict and stress. It can be difficult to talk, to listen to support and comfort when there is so much uncertainty. Being together all the time, brings even more challenges. You just can't cope, would you be better apart you wonder. Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples, it brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage ...and you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! For confidential information about Retrouvaille', or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing on 25<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021 Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443. Email: [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) – or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

### CLIFTON DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2021

Bishop Declan is set to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2021 (11 – 19 October) staying three nights in Galilee, two nights in Bethlehem, and three nights in Jerusalem. Initial estimated costings indicate a figure of £1,959 per person (based on two people sharing). The cost of the Pilgrimage is currently an estimate. It is possible that the cost of flights will

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rise and consequently increase the cost of the total package. Since this is a popular pilgrimage we are currently just looking for an expression of interest so that we have an idea of what kind of numbers we can cater for. If you are interested in next year's pilgrimage, then please contact Sarah Adams in the Adult Education & Evangelisation department, at [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com).

### LIVING LAUDATO SI' - YOUR PARISH AND YOUR PLANET ONLINE RETREAT

Living Laudato Si' Your Parish and Your Planet Zoom Retreat, led from Boarbank Hall, Cumbria, takes place on 22nd-25th January 2021. Speakers include Trish Sandbach, who worked in Oxfam Education for many years and led to St Benedict's, Garforth, in the Leeds diocese, to winning a Livesimply award. She is also an assessor for the LiveSimply award. John Paul de Quay, a founder member of the Ecological Conversion Group and Journey to 2030. Sr Margaret Atkins, an Augustinian Canoness at Boarbank Hall in Cumbria, a teacher of philosophy and theology, with a lifelong interest in the natural world, and author of Catholics and Our Common Home: Caring for the Planet in a Time of Crisis (CTS). This is a long weekend of talks and discussions on zoom, as well as practical activities, on living the message of Laudato Si' in and through your parish. There will also be a panel discussion for sharing advice on practical projects. Any interested parishioner is most welcome to join us. The weekend is aimed especially at people with parish responsibilities or who are part of or want to start a relevant parish group.

Sessions will be on Friday night, Saturday morning and night, Sunday afternoon and night and Monday night (leaving people free during the day on Monday). Cost – voluntary donations gratefully accepted, but there will be no fee for the weekend. To apply, email Sister Margaret Atkins on [margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk](mailto:margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk)

## THE ANNUNCIATION

### CRIB

For those of you who haven't been able to get in Mass over the Advent and Christmas period – here is a picture of the crib that was moved to be in front of the altar this year.

