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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - PSALTER WEEK 2 – 17th 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://cliftondiocese.com>

LECTIONARY

Sun	1 Sm 3: 3-10, 19	Psalm 39: 2, 4, 7-10	1Cor 6: 13-15, 17-20	John 1: 35-42
Mon	Heb 5: 1-10	Psalm 109: 1-4		Mark 2: 18-22
Tues	Heb 6: 10-20	Psalm 100: 1-5, 9, 10		Mark 2: 23-28
Wed	Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17	Psalm 109: 1-4		Mark 3: 1-6
Thurs	Heb 7: 25 – 8: 6	Psalm 39: 7-10, 17		Mark 3: 7-12
Fri	Heb 8: 6-13	Psalm 84: 8, 10-14		Mark 3: 13-19
Sat	Heb 9: 2-3, 11-14	Psalm 46: 2-3, 6-9		Mark 3: 20-21

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

Victoria Statham, Christopher Flynn, Sr. Mary Stephen Bell, Nellie Pegler, Jean-Marie Sousa de Pernes

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

Winifrede Bathurst, Elizabeth Anderson, Stella Street, Queenie Whitman, Agnes Bishop, William Street

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

Bradford on Avon: St Thomas More

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

Holy St Joseph, Spouse of Mary!
Be mindful of us, pray for us, watch over us.
Guardian of the Child Jesus, take our affairs, spiritual and temporal, into your hands and obtain for us the grace to know with certainty and perfectly to accomplish the Holy Will of God.

O glorious Saint Joseph hear our prayer and obtain our petition. Amen

- Father Bill

SIGNED MASS FOR THE DEAF LIVE-STREAMED FROM ST NICK'S CHURCH

Because of the Covid restrictions it is not possible for the Deaf Community to come to St Nick's for their normal monthly Signed Mass - so St Nicholas in Tolentino parish in Bristol is live-streaming our parish's 10am Mass with Signing by Sherrie Eugene-Hart every First Sunday of the Month (live-streamed from parish website: www.tolentino.org then click on 'St Nick's live-streamed Mass' page).

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

Please see the following link for information, resources, events and ideas for The God Who Speaks initiative:
<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/sunday-of-the-word-of-god/?fbclid=IwAR2qxQILnZ1vCTdU1td4soPiJQeHAOSUQeRiWII8v7L6GUP31FsVsMVYWbOc>

FAITHFUL COMPANIONS OF JESUS ONLINE EVENTS

FCJ are sharing a few online events, primarily aimed at young adults that may be of interest:

Four weeks of Guided Prayer: Sundays at 5.30pm, beginning 17th January. These are an opportunity to deepen your relationship with God through prayer, to learn new ways of praying, enjoy some input on prayer, discernment and spirituality. You will be able to speak with a prayer guide each week.

Vocations Weekend: 26th-28th February. This is aimed for women who are exploring the vocation to religious life. There will be times of prayer, reflection, input and discussion as well as a Q&A session with FCJ Sisters. *Reading Group* (Let us Dream by Pope Francis) – Friday 4pm from 15th January. Each session stands alone so there is no need to attend every week. Register, read the chapter set and then have a chance to talk with others about it.

If you are interested in any of these events, please email FCJCentreStHughs@gmail.com for more information.

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: woodchester.theannunciation@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. Any health and safety matters for Stonehouse, please email HS.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com

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.mcintee@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 marriageand 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 25th- 28th February 2021 Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443. Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com – or visit 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 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.

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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN STONEHOUSE

A CTIS prayer meeting will be taking place on 18th January at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84438520306>