

ST JOSEPH'S, STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – PSALTER WEEK 2 – 11TH APRIL 2021

ST JOSEPH'S			THE ANNUNCIATION	
Sun	9.00am	<i>Mass: People of parish</i>	11.00am	<i>Mass: 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	Acts 4: 32-35	Psalm 117: 2-4, 15-18, 22-24	1Jn 5: 1-6	John 20: 19-31
Mon	Acts 4: 23-31	Psalm 2: 1-9		John 3: 1-8
Tues	Acts 4: 32-37	Psalm 92: 1-2, 5		John 3: 7-15
Wed	Acts 5: 17-26	Psalm 33: 2-9		John 3: 16-21
Thurs	Acts 5: 27-33	Psalm 33: 2, 9, 17-20		John 3: 31-36
Fri	Acts 5: 34-42	Psalm 26: 1, 4, 13-14		John 6: 1-15
Sat	Acts 6: 1-7	Psalm 32: 1-5, 18-19		John 6: 16-21

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT ST JOSEPH'S

Mike Gibbons and Olga, Julie Wood, Elizabeth Carr, Mary Evans, Aine Anderson, Mary Scully, Maggie, Janet Strong

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Speridion Farrugia, Anne Sweet, Natalia Siwiak, Matthew McCabe

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

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Susanna McLoughlin, Bernard Ford, Georgina Cole, Paul Watts, Edith Berkley, Anne Willis, Harold Davis, Amy Shaw

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies under crisis.

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

Brockworth: St Patrick; Churchdown: Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE: WE ARE CURRENTLY OPEN FOR MASS AT 9AM AT STONEHOUSE AND 11AM AT WOODCHESTER. OBLIGATION IS REMOVED AT PRESENT.

———— IN GENERAL ————

POPE FRANCIS EASTER MESSAGE

Pope Francis had three main messages in the homily he gave at the Easter Vigil Mass in St Peter's Basilica. This is the ninth Easter of his pontificate – the second one in which the congregation has been smaller than usual because of Covid safety measures. He stressed firstly – "It is always possible to begin anew, because there is a new life that God can awaken in us in spite of all our failures. From the rubble of our hearts, God can create a work of art... In these dark months of the pandemic, let us listen to the Risen Lord as he invites us to begin anew and never lose hope." Secondly, he said "Faith is not an album of past memories; Jesus is not outdated. He is alive here and now. He walks beside you each day, in every situation you are experiencing, in every trial you have to endure, in your deepest hopes and dreams." And finally: "Jesus, the Risen Lord, loves us without limits and is there at every moment of our lives. Having made himself present in the heart of our world, he invites us to overcome barriers, banish prejudices and draw near to those around us every day in order to rediscover the grace of everyday life. If on this night you are experiencing an hour of darkness, a day that has not yet dawned, a light dimmed or a dream shattered, open your heart with amazement to the message of Easter.... Do not be afraid, he has Risen! He awaits you in Galilee." You can watch the Easter Vigil Mass on the Vatican Youtube Channel: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHQvJqomoAA>

PEOPLE OF A GENEROUS GIVING

On Ash Wednesday Bishop Declan called us to be a 'People of Generous Giving' not necessarily of our money but of our time. He asked us to think about how much time we give to others, to God and to our neighbour.

DIOCESAN VIRTUAL LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Friday 16th April is the Feast Day of St Bernadette Soubirous, so as part of our own ongoing virtual pilgrimage Monseigneur Liam Slattery will be celebrating a livestream Mass at 7:00 pm, please join through the Clifton diocese website at www.cliftondiocese.com.

THE SANCTUARY OF LOURDES

We have heard from the Rector of the sanctuary that due to the unfortunate new lockdown in France, they are still not able to accept pilgrimages. So, until visitors from outside the local area are allowed, the chaplains will be offering Masses and Rosaries throughout the day which can be viewed either on their website <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes/> or on their You Tube channel <https://www.youtube.com/user/LourdesWebTV> or on your smart TV You Tube app. The rector is inviting all our intentions and petitions which again can be requested through their website <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/>. This is a difficult time for all of us, but please pray for the

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local people of Lourdes, along with the Chaplains and those who serve at the shrine. The Rector assures us of his prayers.

CLIFTON DIOCESE TRUSTEES

The Diocese is currently looking for an individual to join the Board of the Trustees and to chair the new Safeguarding sub-committee. In order to enhance the skills of the Board, the suitable person should have a strong understanding of safeguarding and ideally have experience as a leader in a safeguarding role. The individual should also have experience in finance and financial management, or in charity governance, or in commercial leadership in order to support the full activities of the main Board. The commitment is to one 3 hour meeting per month on a Wednesday from 9.30 am in Bristol along with other work on the Safeguarding sub-committee, and preparation for meetings. It is usual for a Trustee to give somewhere in the region of 6 hours per month plus travelling time. If you would like to be considered for this position, please send your details to the Bishop's Private Secretary, St Ambrose, North Rd, Leigh Woods, Bristol BS8 3PW by 16th April.

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MISSIO RED BOX 2020: THANK YOU!

In 2020, our Parish of St Josephs raised £536.62 through our Red boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank You! Communities around the world are grateful that people here in Stonehouse are supporting them through prayer and our generous donations. The missionaries, and the communities they serve, are living in such difficult circumstances, made even harder by COVID-19. They have asked us to pass on their thanks to you. Find out more at missio.org.uk. Also, can you please bring in your Missio Red Boxes for collection and leave them in the porch. Many thanks.

- Brendan

STEWARDS UPDATE

You will have noticed I am sure that since we returned to mass after the last major lockdown that both Tim and Mike have been the only stewards on duty each week. This is because the stewarding team felt that it would be safer this time around if only team members who had received their vaccinations be on duty. Pete and Andrew have recently received theirs so in the next week or so they will be back on duty. We welcome a new recruit to the team, Shirley Lee, who will start after the 18th. Although we are all getting our vaccinations now, it is still important to keep to the rules please. Attendance is going up, so social distancing becomes more important as you enter and especially leave church. Please exit as quickly as you can after mass, going straight outside without loitering in the porch. We have all done so well keeping to the rules laid down by the Government and the Diocese and I would like to thank you for doing that, it makes our job as stewards a lot easier. Thank you.

- Andrew, Mike, Tim, Pete and Shirley.