

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

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## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – PSALTER WEEK 2 – 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2021

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	Ex 16: 2-4, 12-15	Psalm 77: 3-4, 23-25, 54	Eph 4: 17, 20-24	John 6: 24-35
Mon	Nm 11: 4-15	Psalm 80: 12-17		Matthew 14: 13-21
Tues	Nm 12: 1-13	Psalm 50: 3-7, 12-13		Matthew 14: 22-36
Wed	Nm 13: 1-2, 25- 14: 1, 26-29, 34-35	Psalm 105: 6-7, 13-14, 21-23		Matthew 15: 21-28
Thurs	Nm 20: 1-13	Psalm 94: 1-2, 6-9		Matthew 16: 13-23
Fri	Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14	Psalm 96: 1-2, 5-6, 9		Mark 9: 2-10
Sat	Dt 6: 4-13	Psalm 17: 2-4, 47, 51		Matthew 17: 14-20

### 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

Madeline Hapgood, Maria Hajdukewicz, Leonard Payne, Tamara Crabtree, Patrick Kane, Laurence McTighe

### 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, Steve Chandler, Roy Ford, Anne Chandler

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

Peggy Wilson, Alfred Tandy, Martha Saunders, Leonard Payne, Gertrude Harper, Josephine Underwood, Jack Brienislaw

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

For the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

Fairford, with Cricklade: St Thomas of Canterbury

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

**IN GENERAL**

**LATEST COVID GUIDANCE**

Now we have the latest guidance regarding how we will proceed after last Monday 19<sup>th</sup>. There is little that affects us directly (for instance, we have unrestricted numbers for Weddings and Baptisms and Funerals now). The new guidelines suggest that we might decide to dispense with masks, but it leaves that decision to the parishes.

- We will continue with masks, though not taking it as obligatory.
- Altar servers are now allowed, so we would encourage any who might venture to come.
- Singing can be re-instated, but we will not be taking that route just yet (how do you sing with a mask on?)
- We have decided to keep the social distancing arrangement for seating as we have it now, and the stewards have kindly offered to keep going as they have been: ensuring that people are directed to their places and that they approach for communion safely.
- We will continue to keep a record of attendees at Mass.

We thought this to be a stage in a cautious approach to removing restrictions, given that the number of infections in our area is on the increase. We will review in August. We want to assure you that we are being as vigilant as practical in order to avoid the chances of transmission, and that you need not feel unduly concerned about attending Sunday Mass. I hope that puts to rest some of your worries. *Plus ça change!*  
- Fr Bill

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE – 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER**

Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 2 October (12 noon) and is inviting all married couples to join him. He sends a personal invitation to those couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries during 2021 or those who will marry during this year.

**CLIFTON DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2022 LED BY BISHOP DECLAN LANG**

Monday 26 September to Tuesday 4 October 2022. Bishop Declan is set to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy

Land in 2022 (Monday 26 September to Tuesday 4 October 2022) staying three nights in Galilee, two nights in Bethlehem, and three nights in Jerusalem. If you are interested in next year's pilgrimage, or would like to book, then please contact the Adult Education & Evangelisation department, at [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com).

**MEMORIAL OF ST EUSEBIUS OF VERCELLI – 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST**

Eusebius was Sardinian by birth, born to a family who had suffered persecution for their Christianity. Educated in Rome, he became the first bishop of Vercelli, instituting a semi-monastic rule for his clergy. He is attributed with a part of composing the Athanasian Creed. On the death of the Emperor Constantius, who had been the cause of his exile, he returned to Vercelli. He died in 371.

**MEMORIAL OF ST PETER JULIAN EYNARD – 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST**

Born in La Mure, France, Peter became a parish priest in 1834 and joined the Marists five years later. He fostered Eucharistic adoration throughout his life and founded a religious order of priest-adorers of the Holy Eucharist who came to be known as the Priests of the Blessed Sacrament.

**MEMORIAL OF ST JOHN VIANNEY – 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

1786-1859. Born near Lyons, the son of a farmer, he had little schooling and therefore found his priestly studies difficult. Said to be the most devout if also the most unlearned of the students, in 1817, he became parish priest of Arsen-Dombe, a remote and unimportant village where he spent the rest of his life, living mainly on potatoes. He excelled at preaching and counselling and preached every day at 11am, sometimes spending 16 hours a day hearing confessions. He is the patron of all priests of the world.

**ST JOSEPH'S**

**CTIS/PSALMS SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUB**

The CTIS/PSALMS summer sports holiday club will be taking place on Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> and Fri 20<sup>th</sup> August, 10-3pm at Park Junior School. It will be open to pupils in years 3-6 (current year). We will enjoy a variety of sports and games, whilst also exploring the story of Esther. The club will be 100% outdoors, so please pray for good weather! We need at least another 3 adults for the event to run, so if you're able to help, please let Emily know.

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