

# ST JOSEPH'S STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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### FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION – PSALTER WEEK 2 – 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2023

DAY	TIME	PARISH	INTENTION
Sunday	9.00am	St Joseph's	People of the parish
	11.00am	The Annunciation	People of the parish
Monday	10.00am	St Joseph's	Brian Wadley †
Tuesday	6.00pm	The Immaculate Conception	Tom Ormonde and Katherine Heath †
Wednesday	10.00am	The Immaculate Conception	Denis and Joan Murphy †
	10.45am		Holy Hour
Thursday	10.00am	The Immaculate Conception	Kitty McCoy †
Friday	9.30am	The Annunciation	Special Intention
Saturday	6.30pm	The Immaculate Conception	Eileen Sivell †

### LECTIONARY

Sun	Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14	Psalm 96: 1-2, 5-6, 9	2Pt 1: 16-19	Luke 9: 28-36
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	Hos 2: 16-17, 21-22	Psalm 44: 11-17		Matthew 25: 1-13
Thurs	2Cor 9: 6-10	Psalm 111: 1-2, 5-9		John 12: 24-26
Fri	Dt 4: 32-40	Psalm 76: 12-16, 21		Matthew 16: 24-28
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, Ellen Osman, Sylvia Haskell, Danielle Haskell, Tony Ryan, Danielle

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

Patrick Kane, Laurence McTighe, Rosemary Stirrup, Paraskevi Aquilina, Maisie Humphries, Sr. Marie Therese OSC, Sylvia Sicuro, Sarah Sowls, Rosemary Boyle

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT THE ANNUNCIATION

Fr. Richard Finn O.P. and family, Rebekah Hollingshead, Brendon Conboy, Barry Norris, Cynthia Stevens, Peggy Chapman, John Presland, Georgina Mazzone, Trese Hulbert, Elizabeth Lillinton, Chris Jay, Anne Chandler, Giles Boon, John Spires, Maureen Owen

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

Gertrude Harper, Josphine Underwood, Jack Brienislaw, Hubert Morgan, Sr. Francis Gould, Sr. Marie Therese, Horace Cross, Thomas Benton

#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

#### DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

*Calne: St Edmund; Melksham: St Anthony of Padua*

## IN GENERAL

### FORMATION FOR CATECHISTS

In partnership with 'Light of Truth' the diocese is offering a six-week course on Zoom for catechists, new or seasoned, who work with adults, children or young people, including those involved in children's liturgy and anyone interested in passing on the faith. Please visit: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/joinmeeting/register/tZUod-GtqDsuHNLWlIiXnMYV7xjkWEwaOqjS#/registration> to register for these six online sessions on Thursdays beginning 21<sup>st</sup> September.

### NEW LECTIONARY

The Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has confirmed the approval by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales for the new Lectionary, and it is due to come into use in all parishes in England and Wales from Advent 2024. There will be preparation over the next year or so preparing for this important event in our ecclesial life. The English Standard Version of the Bible will be used for the readings (instead of the Jerusalem Bible) and the Abbey version of the Psalms (rather than the Grail version used at present). New people's missals will be produced, along with the Lectionaries and Gospel Books for liturgical use.

### WORLD YOUTH DAY

The final Mass takes place this Sunday at 9:00am in Lisbon with Pope Francis. Young people from around the world, including from our own diocese, have gathered in Lisbon for this celebration of our Faith. The theme for this year is 'Mary arose and went with haste' taken from Saint Luke's Gospel, and speaks of Our Lady going to visit her cousin Elizabeth who she had been told was pregnant at the Annunciation. We pray for the young people in Portugal and all around the world, and, in a particular way, for those of our own parishes. The events should be available on EWTN

(<https://ondemand.ewtn.com/free/Home/Series/ondemand/video/en/world-youth-day-2023>) as well as the World Youth Day and Vatican Youtube channels, including: the opening Mass on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August (with the Cardinal Patriarch of Lisbon); the papal welcome on Thursday evening; the Way of the Cross on Friday evening; the Vigil on Saturday at 8:45pm; and the Papal Mass on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 9:00am. The Pope visit Fatima for the Rosary at 9:30am on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August should also be available. The official website for World Youth Day is <https://www.lisboa2023.org/en>.

### STATEMENT ON MISSION

The Overseas Mission Committee of the Bishops' Conference recently released a statement explaining the importance of overseas mission to the Church. It includes reference to the cooperation between Missio, Cafod, the Mill Hill Missionaries and the Catholic Missionary Union. It can be found at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/overseas-mission-committee-gospel-for-all/>. It has been issued by

Bishop Paul Swarbrick (Chair of the Committee, Chair of the Trustees of Missio and Bishop of Lancaster) and Bishop Declan (as Chair of the Department of International Affairs).

### THE LITTLE WAY CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL TRUST

The new Little Way CET is due to open on 1 January 2024. It will initially launch with six Gloucestershire Catholic Primary Schools and aims to expand to include more schools in the near future. Bishop Declan has appointed six Foundation Directors and is seeking to appoint two more Directors to complete the board. Existing Foundation Governors/Directors, as well as people without any previous school governor experience, may apply. The board has identified a need for a person(s) with skills in Legal matters and/or Human Resources – so applications from those with experience in either/or both of these areas would be particularly welcome. If you're a practising Catholic, believe in Catholic education, have enthusiasm and commitment, can take a strategic view and contribute to boardroom discussions, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing board of this new Multi Academy Trust. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, to provide the best possible education for the benefit of the children in our schools. If you are interested, please contact Bill McEntee, Governance Officer at the Clifton Diocese Schools and Colleges Department via [bill.mcintee@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bill.mcintee@cliftondiocese.com) or 07710094976 for more information or an application pack.

## THE ANNUNCIATION

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY – SUMMER BREAK

There will be no Children's Liturgy during August. The next one will be on 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN NAILSWORTH

The Quakers Meeting House will be the venue for an exhibition of the Loving Earth Textile Project from August 19<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2-5pm. This was exhibited previously at COP26 and at the Houses of Parliament so should be well worth a visit. Various churches taking part in Heritage Open Day on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

## ST JOSEPH'S

### COULD YOU GIFT AID YOUR OFFERING?

If you give to St Joseph's through the offertory collection, then it would be so good were you to sign up either to a regular Standing Order or if you are a tax payer, to using Gift Aid envelopes or a Gift Aided Standing Order. As a tax payer you can enhance your giving by an extra 25p for every £1 you give, allowing the Parish to reclaim this extra amount at no extra cost to yourself. If you can help, please see Andrew or Deacon Bogdan.

*Item for the Bulletin? You can send items for the bulletin (by the Wednesday) to [stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com) or post them through the presbytery letterbox. For The Annunciation, email: [woodchester.theannunciation@cliftondiocese.com](mailto: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](mailto:admin.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com). Any health and safety matters for Stonehouse, please email [HS.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:HS.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com)*