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**2021 THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH** St Paul pleads with us to live a life worthy of our vocation. The call of God to be Joseph of Nazareth involved being a man of faith, a husband and father, a workman and a member of the wider society of his town. It is sometimes useful to examine the elements of our vocation to see how we are living up to things. We can see these elements in terms of relationships, with God, with wife and Son, with customers and fellow citizens. Working on relationships IS working on our vocation. May St Joseph pray for us in our daily living of Christianity.



**DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING** The Safeguarding Team will be delivering safeguarding awareness sessions to volunteers on the following dates and times. The training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams therefore, if you would like to attend, please contact Beci Monks on [rebecca.monks@cliftdiocese.com](mailto:rebecca.monks@cliftdiocese.com) Beci will send you a link to the training a little nearer the time. Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am – 11.00am

**CATCHIST DAY:** On **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September** there will be a day for catechists offering an opportunity for conversation and formation, focusing on family catechesis. David Wells and Ingrid La Trobe will help us to reflect on the role of parents in catechesis and give catechists the confidence to enable them to be the first teachers of their children’s faith. The day will take place at **St. John the Baptist parish centre, Trowbridge**, and will start at 11am and finish around 4pm. Refreshments will be provided from 10.30am, we ask for catechists to bring a packed lunch. Numbers will be limited for the day so please register early. email: [adult.education@cliftdiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftdiocese.com) Please see noticeboard for further information.

**TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS:** Unfortunately, due to a decree from the Pope in Rome, Fr Philip along with many other priests around the world, has had to cease celebrating Mass in the Traditional Latin Rite, until such time as he may be granted permission by our own Bishop Declan. Please remember Fr. Philip, who offered these Masses in addition to the normal daily Mass at this time.



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**ORDINARY SUNDAY XVIII (Year B)**

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s (Pro Populis)  
11.00am Mass in St Peter’s (for the Souls in Purgatory especially of the Palarz, Adamczyk, Krakowczyk & Piecha families)  
**No 6.30pm Mass in St Peter’s**

**WORSHIP THIS WEEK - WEEK XVIII Year 1)**

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug Feria of Week 18  
**No Mass in St Peter’s**  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug Feria  
**No Mass in St Peter’s**  
Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Aug St John Mary Vianney, The Curé d’Ars  
10.00am Mass in St Michael’s  
Our Lady of the Snows  
Thu 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 9.30am Mass in St Peter’s  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Aug THE TRANSFIGURATION Feast  
9.30am Mass in St Peter’s  
Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Aug St Sixtus II  
No Mass in St Michael’s  
**13.00 Holy Matrimony of Hannah and Max in Cirencester**



**ORDINARY SUNDAY XIX (Year B)**

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Aug 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s (Pro Populis)  
11.00am Mass in St Peter’s  
**6.30pm Socially Distanced Mass in St Peter’s**

***CONFESSIONS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, AT THE MOMENT***

**NEW TO THE PARISH?** Please fill in a registration form and take an active part in our two welcoming Parishes



**PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL** Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD & MASS PROPERS

### Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

### First Reading

Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 *I will rain down bread for you from the heavens*

### Responsorial Psalm

. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

### Second Reading

Ephesians 4:17,20-24 *Put on the new self that has been created in God's way*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;  
No one can come to the Father except through me Alleluia!

### Gospel

John 6:24-35

*He comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst*

### Communion Antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,  
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- For the sick, at home, in hospital, in a nursing homes or in a hospice.
- Parishioners of both Parishes, family, friends and all who have asked for our prayers.
- The dead in Christ -Seamus Darragh and all who have died recently.  
All whose Anniversary are about this time.
- Our Diocesan Prayer Link this weekend is with St Thomas of Canterbury, Fairford with Cricklade

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. Noon, feast of the Guardian Angels. This will be First Holy Communion Day for our candidates in Cirencester

**WELCOME** As always, we welcome any visitors and newcomers to our parish, asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces. We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.

We are delighted to say that after eighteen months, we can invite everyone for coffee and refreshments after Mass. Please join us.

However, we do require Parishioners to volunteer to make it; one way of catching up with your friends news, make newcomers welcome. It would be a shame to cancel parish coffee due to the lack of support.



**CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE:** Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October @ 12Noon and is inviting all married couples to join him. However, if you are celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 65<sup>th</sup> or 70<sup>th</sup>; please let the parish office know, you will receive a personal invite.



## WHAT RELAXATION OF RESTRICTIONS WILL LOOK LIKE IN BOTH OUR PARISHES

1. Hand sanitizing liquid still to be used on entering and leaving Mass instead of holy water
2. The return of mass cards and hymn books
3. Wearing of face coverings to continue
4. Receiving the Blessed Sacrament under one kind
5. Return of singing
6. Return of Offertory Bags No sign of peace by touching, but waving still if you wish

**READERS IN ST MICHAEL'S AND ST PETER'S:** In view of the relaxation of the rules, we will be returning to our normal practice of having two readers, before the Gospel, one for each lesson, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> August. We must record our thanks who have helped us in both churches, whilst we have not had rotas and faced restrictions. Their willingness is much appreciated. IT IS NOW OUR HOPE THAT THOSE WHO READ BEFORE LOCKDOWN WILL BE WILLING AND ABLE TO BE ON A ROTA ONCE AGAIN. EVERY PARISH RELIES ON VOLUNTEERS. WE ARE ALSO SEEKING FLOWER ARRANGERS AND A ROTA FOR COFFEE. WECLOMERS AT THE DOOR ARE ALSO NEEDED. PLEASE CONTACT THE RELEVANT PARISH OFFICE.

**JOINT PARISH BBQ** On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August parishioners of **BOTH PARISHES** are invited to a BBQ to celebrate Fr Philip's Silver Jubilee in St Peter's Presbytery garden, commencing at 12.30am. We hope that as many people as possible will come and celebrate with Father on this joyous occasion. **Lists are provided at the back of each church for donations of food, both savoury and sweet please. Parish life is not done to us or for us, but BY US. We need volunteers to bring food and to cook the BBQ. We need volunteers to set up, clear up and wash up. Without such wonderful folk, this event will have to be cancelled..**

