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FAITH IN ACTION DAY 2021 WITH CAFOD – AN ONLINE DAY OF TALK AND PRAYER ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE 11.00am TO 4.00pm

Follow Pope Francis's call to action and how people in the Amazon region are leading the fight to care for our common home. Shortly, the UK will host the largest gathering of world leaders ever to take place on British soil: the 'COP26' climate talks. Our government has a vital role to play, BUT as citizens of the host nation and as people of faith, we have an important role to play too. This is the time to come together, build a community and act. This event is part of the Great Big Green Week, a series of events happening in September, aimed at bringing together communities across the country. Register here: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Events/Faith-in-Action-Day-2021>
 Agenda for the day can be found on the CAFOD website.



CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 2nd October @ 12Noon for married couples. However, if you are celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th or 70th; please let the parish office know, to receive a personal invite.

ST PETER'S 100 CLUB; August winners: £30 7; £20 124; £10 159

DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING The Safeguarding Team will be delivering safeguarding awareness sessions to volunteers on **Saturday 25th September 9.30am to 11.00am. The training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams.** For details, please contact Beci Monks on rebecca.monks@cliftondiocese.com

CATCHISTS DAY 25th SEPT. @ ST JOHN'S, TROWBRIDGE David Wells and Ingrid La Trobe will lead the day to give catechists the confidence to enable parent to be the first teachers of their children's faith. **11.00am till 4.00pm.** Refreshments will be provided; Catechists are asked to bring a packed lunch. contact. adult.education@cliftondiocese.com
 Please see noticeboard for further information.

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



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ORDINARY SUNDAY XXIII (Year B)

Sat 4th Sept. 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's **Socially Distanced and No Music**
 Sun 5th Sept 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Pro Populis)
11.00am Mass & Holy Baptism for Mabel Love in St Peter's

WORSHIP THIS WEEK - WEEK XXIII (Year 1)

Mon 6th Sept Feria in Week XXIII
No in St Peter's

Tue 7th Sept Feria
 9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Lucila Caravana RIP)

Wed 8th Sept BIRTHDAY OF THE B.V.M. – Our Lady of Glastonbury, FEAST
 10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thu 9th Sept St Peter Claver
 9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Private Intention RIP)

Fri 10th Sept Feria
 9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Erika Binsona's Birthday)
3.00pm Burial of Bill Brewer's Ashes at St Saviour's

Sat 11th Sept Our Lady on Saturday
 10.00am Mass in St Michael's



NEXT WEEK – ORDINARY SUNDAY XXIV (Year B)

Sat 11th Sept. 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's **Socially Distanced and No Music**
 Sun 12th Sept. 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Pro Populis)
 11.00am Mass in St Peter's
2.00pm Holy Matrimony in St Peter's for Jack and Gemma

CONFESSIONS ARE BY APPOINTMENT. PLEASE RING TO ARRANGE

A WARM WELCOME As always, we welcome visitors and newcomers to join our 'regulars', asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces on us all. You are welcome to join us for coffee and refreshments after 11.00am Mass in St Peter's.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sat 2nd Oct. Noon FHC Mass for our Cirencester Candidates, The Guardian Angels.
 Sun 10th Oct. Joint Parishes CAFOD Harvest Lunch in St Peter's Hall, after the 11.00am Mass

SUNDAY MASS PROPERS

Entrance Antiphon

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love

First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7 *The blind shall see, the deaf hear, the dumb sing for joy*

Responsorial Psalm

My soul, give praise to the Lord

Second Reading

James 2:1-5 *God chose the poor according to the world to be rich in faith*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!. Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia

Gospel

Mark 7:31-37 *'He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak'*

Communion Antiphon

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

1. The needy of body, mind or soul, wherever they may be, together with all who have asked for our prayers.
2. The dead in Christ.
3. Our Diocesan Prayer Link – Whitchurch and Keynsham
4. Mabel Love being baptized this weekend. We remember her Parents, God Parents and family.:-



THE LOV VERBUM DEI MINISTRY 'Dei Verbum' was Vatican 2's Decree on Revelation. The phrase means Word of God and is a homage to Vatican I, whose decree on revelation was called. Verbum Dei. This ministry [https://linktr.ee/lov_verbumdei] focuses on Sacred Scripture and is very excited to explore the Gospel of John and Matthew with a 4-Part Series, started on Tuesday 31st August. 1 episode will be released on their YouTube channel on Tuesdays and Fridays over two weeks for all of us to immerse in a unique way into particular passages of the gospel. Please use the below link to watch the episodes and to slowly and attentively sink into the Word of God that lies behind the 'words' of the Scriptures. You can also listen each episode on various audio platforms (Spotify, Anchor, Google Podcast-simply search for "LOV Verbum Dei" where you can access all their audio resources). Link to the episodes https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnBD0Ooz7iN-DuHmh_nDSx7DI2wc5geZK

HARVEST PLANET FRIENDLY

LUNCH: Both, St Michael's and St Peter's parishioners are invited to the **Harvest Lunch in St Peter's Hall on Sunday 10th October @ 12.00noon approx.**As part of the Great Big Green Week and the impending Cop26 event in Glasgow, we thought that we would have a lunch. Further details to follow; please put the date in your diaries. Thank you.



VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED IN ST MICHAEL'S AND ST PETER'S Everyone Baptised or Received into the family of the Catholic Church must accept that membership is more than attending Mass on Sundays. It is an ongoing personal encounter with Christ, that makes our souls new, so that we may witness God's love with joy in our world. We are called to full and actual participation in the life of the Church in using our talents in the life of the Parish. This leaves no room for lazy lumps. Vatican II gave huge encouragement to laity to take up once again their proper place and role at Mass. This role of all is most clearly shown when individuals read, lead the intercessions and bring up the Offertory Gifts and Collection. We would therefore like more volunteers to come forward to do these tasks. Perhaps you would prefer to arrange the Church flowers to God's glory and assist fellow parishioners by joining a rota for coffee; **THIS IS TRUE FOR BOTH PARISHES.** The more people we get to help, the less times our name appears on the rota. Without parishioners doing their bit, there is no parish. We are very grateful to those who carry out these roles each week, but if we want our parishes to thrive, then we have to take ownership and work as one big team, each carrying out our bit and using our talents towards the life of the Parish. Thank you.



ABBAY 900 STATUES: Churches Together In Cirencester invites us to the celebrations of the 900th anniversary of the founding of Cirencester Abbey, marked by the Blessing of Statues on Sunday 5th September, to replace those destroyed by the vandalism of the Reformation.

- 11.15 – **Blessing of Tower Statues at St John Baptist's church**
- 12.15 – **Picnic in the Pews (bring a picnic lunch; coffee and tea provided)**
- 13.15 – **Procession & Blessing of the Abbot & Canon Statue and Monastic Garden in the Abbey Grounds**
- 14.00 – **Game of Statues, World Jungle activities, Discovery Trail in Abbey Grounds**



Above is one of the wooden statues which is being carved for the garden