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OCTOBER PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH AFTER THE ROSARY To you, o blessed Joseph we have recourse in our tribulations and while imploring the aid of your most holy spouse we confidently invoke your patronage also. By that love which untied you to the immaculate virgin, mother of God, and by the fatherly affection with which you did embrace the infant Jesus, we humbly beseech you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by His precious blood and to help us in our necessities, by your powerful intercession. Protect, o most provident guardian of the holy family, the chosen children of Jesus Christ. Ward off from us, o most loving father, all taint of error and corruption. Graciously assist us from heaven o most powerful protector in our struggle with the powers of darkness and as you did once rescue the child Jesus from imminent peril to his life, so now defend the Holy church of God from the snares of her enemies and from all adversity. Shield each one of us with your unceasing patronage, so that imitating your example and support by your aid, we may be enabled to live a good life, die a holy death and secure everlasting happiness in heaven. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK The gift of imagination can be used three ways. Firstly, there is the way God intended, when we conjure up pictures and atmospheres to accompany books, TV, Radio and films. This allows us to participate in things more fully and helps us to enjoy these activities. Secondly, we can misuse imagination to construct phantasies in which we can get lost. At best, these are heroic and escapist, but they can also be



pornographic, cruel and deeply unrealistic. Thirdly, imagination can be used for the higher purpose of Prayer. Ignatian spirituality and especially the Spiritual Exercises use the imagination to picture Scripture passages, to discern God’s will for us. The Holy Rosary has been doing this from long before St Ignatius of Loyola was born. Very familiar, vocal prayers combine with the beads to free the mind to meditate imaginatively on the 4 sets of 5 mysteries, Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious. It is not so much praying to Mary, but picturing with Mary. October is the Month of the Rosary. Use your imagination well!



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ORDINARY SUNDAY XXVII (Year B)

Sat 2nd Oct. 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter’s **Socially Distanced and No Music**

Sun 3rd Oct 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s
11.00am Mass in St Peter’s (Pro Populis)

WORSHIP THIS WEEK - WEEK XXVI I (Year 1)

Mon 4th Oct St Francis of Assisi

Mostly Fr. P’s Day Off

6.00pm “Evensong and Antiphons” - Ecumenical Evening Prayer at Holy Cross Anglican church, Avening

Tue 5th Oct St Faustina Kowalaska

9.30am Mass in St Peter’s (Private Intention)

Wed 6th Oct St Bruno of the Grande Chartreuse

10.00am Mass in St Michael’s

Thu 7th Oct Our Lady of the Rosary

9.30am Mass in St Peter’s (Bayani Caravana RIP)

Fri 8th Oct Feria of Week XXVII

9.30am Mass in St Peter’s (Rose Sage)

2.00pm Funeral of Katie Leith at Cheltenham Crematorium

Sat 9th Oct ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, National Feast

10.00am Mass in St Michael’s (Zoe’s Int)



NEXT WEEK – ORDINARY SUNDAY XXVIII (Year B) – HARVEST THANKSGIVING AND JOINT CAFOD LUNCH

Sat 9th Oct. 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter’s **Socially Distanced and No Music**

Sun 10th Oct. 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s
11.00am Mass in St Peter’s (Pro Populis) **followed by Joint Parish Lunch**

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.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend for the work of CAFOD. Gift Aid envelopes are available.

SUNDAY MASS PROPERS

Entrance Antiphon Within Your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist Your will. For You have made all things, the heaven and the earth and all that is held within the circle of heaven; You are the Lord of all.

First Reading Genesis 2:18-24 *Woman and Man become one in marriage*

Responsorial Psalm May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

Second Reading Hebrews 2:9-11 *The one who sanctifies is the brother of those who are sanctified*

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, Alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel: Mark 10:2-16 *What God has united, man must not divide*

Communion Antiphon The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

1. The needy of body, mind or soul and those who care for them
2. All who have asked for our prayers.
3. The dead in Christ.
4. Our Diocesan Prayer Link – the parishes of Stonehouse & Woodchester
5. The children who received their First holy Communion yesterday

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION Lord Jesus, come to me. Lord, Jesus, give me your love. Lord Jesus, come to me and give me yourself. Lord Jesus, friend of children, come to me. Lord Jesus, you are my Lord and my God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES 2021

- Future Second collections:
 - Sun. 24th Oct. World Mission Sunday
 - Sun. 7th Nov. Priests Retirement Fund
 - Sun. 12th Dec. Christmas Flowers
 - Sun. 19th Dec. Christmas Flowers
- Sunday 14th November Remembrance



ECUMENICAL EVENING SERVICE - "EVENSONG AND ANTIPHONS":

All are invited to a shared service of Ecumenical Evening Prayer, constructed to reflect both Anglican and Catholic Traditions. This will take place in the church of the Holy Cross, Avening @ 6.00pm followed by refreshments.

HARVEST PLANET FRIENDLY LUNCH: Both, St Michael's and St Peter's parishioners are invited to the **Harvest Lunch in St Peter's Hall today @ 12.00noon approx.** This will be a bring and share lunch with lists for contributions at the back of church. There will be a cost of £3.00 per person with proceeds going towards CAFOD. 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.

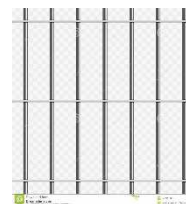
WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE? Join us on Saturday, 23rd October, 11.00am at Clifton Cathedral for the Clifton Climate Liturgy. Bishop Declan is inviting us all as the community of Clifton Diocese to join him in celebrating God's creation. Each one of us has talents to bring to the care of our common home, whether beginning our journey or if we have been working for climate justice for some time. Come and meet others to find out what you can do and to share ideas and experiences, share in the challenge to do something about Climate Change, and bring families and friends - all are welcome!

THE DIARY OF GOD A Guided tour of the Bible following the route of weekday readings ie written by John Huntries and published by the Clifton Diocese. Pope St John Paul II wrote 'Sacred scripture is a real Diary of God in his relationships with his people. A few minutes each day and over two years and you would off read a substantial sample of readings throughout the Old and New Testaments, letters, Gospels, Revelations, Acts and other texts. The coost has risen since we ordered last. They are now £2.50 and still a bargain!

READERS @ ST PETERS: Would you like to join the readers' list at 11am Mass? I am currently trying to organise a rota of people available to read at the 11am Mass at St Peters. We could always do with volunteers! We have two readers each Sunday, one to do the first reading and responsorial psalm; one to do the second reading and bidding prayers. If you'd like to join us, please leave me your name and contact details (phone and email) and I'll add you to our rota. I will normally try to give you two weeks notice that you will be reading. Contact Stephanie Thomson email: dest.Thomson@gmail.com (or see me after Mass).

"JOURNEYING FROM DESPAIR TO HOPE" - NATIONAL PRISONS WEEK ONLINE EVENT - 12 OCTOBER 2021, 5-6.15PM

Clifton, Arundel & Brighton and Plymouth Dioceses would like to invite you to explore the challenges facing prisoners and their families and how we can get involved in our parishes. Prisoners and their families are often some of the most socially excluded people in our society. There are many prisons in our diocese: Ashfield, Bristol, Eastwood Park and Ley Hill. This event will offer an opportunity to direct our



thoughts and prayers to prisoners and their families and to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment. Speakers include: **Canon Paul Douthwaite**, National Catholic Chaplain for Prisons at Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales **Andy Keen-Downs**, Chief Executive Prison Advice and Care Trust Participants will receive advice on practical steps that parishes can implement and information on voluntary organisations helping prisoners

and their families. Please register your attendance by filling in this electronic form

<https://forms.office.com/r/J1zTKUTiP7>