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EASTER VI YEAR A) – Rogation Sunday

Sat 13th May 6.00pm Vigil Mss in St Peter's
Sun 14th May 9.00am Mass in St Michael's
11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populo)

WORSHIP EASTER WEEK 6

Mon 15th May Easter Feria

FR PHILIP'S DAY OFF – NO MASS - PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Tue 16th May Easter Feria
9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Wed 17th May Easter Feria
10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thur 18th May **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, SOLEMNITY AND
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

6.00pm in St Michael's

Fri 19th May St Dunstan, (Diocesan Memorial)
9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Sat 20th May Our Lady, Queen of Apostles
9.30am in St Peter's (Cheddar
Parish)

NEXT WEEK – EASTER VII (YEAR A)

Sat 20th May 6.00pm Vigil Mass in
St Peter's

Sun 21st May 9.00am Mass in St Michael's
11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populo)

CONFESSIONS

In St Peter's Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

In St Michael's Wednesday 10.45am to 11.15am

& by Appointment; please ring to arrange, Thank you

MASS PROPERS FOR EASTER VI (Year A)

Entrance Antiphon: Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed His people, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 8:5-8,14-17 *They laid hands on them to receive the Holy Spirit*

Responsorial Psalm: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18 *Jesus was put to death in the body and raised to life in the spirit.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!
Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

Gospel: John 14:15-21 *I shall ask the Father and He will give you another Advocate*

Communion Antiphon If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

SOLEMNITY OF THE LORD'S ASCENSION Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated 9.30pm in St Peters and 6.00pm in St Michaels

REGINA COEL' - THE EASTER GREETING TO OUR LADY

Joy to thee, O queen of heaven, alleluia.
He, Whom thou wast meet to bare, alleluia,
As He promised, hath arisen, alleluia.
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia
For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia

Let us pray.

O God, who by the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, has brought joy to the whole world, grant that through the prayers of His mother the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

RESTAURATION OF THE CHALICE AT MASS As this is still early days, we shall need volunteers at first, because we have no rotas. If you are willing, please contact the relevant Parish Office. No one, has to receive under both kinds, if they are not comfortable with this.

"COME, FOLLOW ME" This Eastertide we continue in Clifton Diocese to pray for vocations to the priesthood for our own diocese. Please watch Fr Stephen Corrigan of St Peter's, Gloucester talk about vocation and his own call to priesthood, about being a seminarian and now being a priest in a parish, as well as the joy and fulfilment in his life and ministry as one of our newer priests: go to www.cliftondiocese.com/vocations.

PASTORAL MINISTRY COURSE - we are now actively seeking to recruit for the next course which begins in **September 2023**. The course is ideal for ANY parishioner who seeks to develop their capacity to serve the parish in anyway which they believe the Lord is calling them. If you are a catechist – this course is for you. If you are a minister in any form – this course is for you. If you are not involved in any way – but would like to be – this course is for you! Interested? – then please do come to one of our information evenings which will be taking place around the Diocese in June. Here you will hear in more detail about the two courses, content of both, time commitment involved and costs including the role of parishes to support those who take on either of the courses. Dates and Venues for information sessions are below. Each session starts at 7pm, no need to book, just turn up on the evening.

Thursday 1 June: English Martyrs, Chard

Tuesday 6 June: St George, Taunton

Wednesday 7 June: St Gregory the Great, Cheltenham

Monday 12 June: St George, Warminster

Tuesday 13 June: Sacred Heart, Westbury-on-Trym

Wednesday 14 June: St John the Evangelist, Bath

Thursday 15 June: St Peter, Swindon

Tuesday 20 June: St Margaret Mary, Coleford

STUDY ON THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES - the earlier chapters of this book gives precious glimpses of the first days of the Church after Pentecost and we hear a number of the very first Christian sermons and speeches, beginning with St Peter on Pentecost Sunday. In the rest of the book, we see St Paul travelling and preaching, a good background for our listening to his letters as the second reading on so many Sundays during the year. The Wednesday evening sessions at St Gregory the Great, Cheltenham, take place on **17 & 24 May**. Each session starts at 7pm.

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LENT CHALLENGE FOR CAFOD – TIME TO PAY UP! The three small teams who have been swimming, cycling and running during Lent have decided to amalgamate their efforts and appeal for sponsorship based on their efforts. The results are on the white board in the hall. All proceeds through Chafed to the Turkish-Syrian earthquake

HOW WE CAN TALK ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH Clifton Diocese in partnership with 'Light of Truth' are offering a five-week course on how we talk about our Catholic Faith with other adults, young people and children – do join us if you can.

4. How to talk about the Church

May 18

To sign up, parishioners need to click on: <https://www.lightoftruth.uk/event-details/further-training-for-catechists-2023-04-20-19-30>

SUNDAY 24TH MAY 4.00PM @ ST MARY'S SCHOOL HALL, TETBURY

– "I SING POP" This celebration of Christian Pop is a continuing initiative of St Mary's and is supported financially by the TACT. It is aimed at offering the Gospel to young people. Your prayers for its success and evangelistic outreach are asked.

RETROUVAILE: Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 6 - 9 July 2023 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 13-15 October, call or text 07887 296983 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

1. Wednesday 24th May 7.00pm in St Michael's Hall TACT Committee Meeting
2. Sunday 28th May – Pentecost, the conclusion of Eastertide.
3. 4th June – Most Holy and Undivided Trinity
- 4- Sunday 11th June Corpus Christi Sunday