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DATES FOR THE DIARY

1. Sunday 4th June – Most Holy and Undivided Trinity. Baptism at 11.00am Mass of Ophelia Hottinger – NO SERMON
2. Sunday 11th June Corpus Christi Sunday
3. Friday 16th June Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, 9.30am Mass in St Peter’s and Noon Mass at St Michael’s

RESTAURATION OF THE CHALICE 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.

DON’T FORGET THE HOLY SPIRIT: Fr Matt Anscombe of our diocese has written a book called 'Don't Forget the Holy Spirit'. He shares personal testimony and considers the difference the Holy Spirit makes in our lives of faith. Further details and recommendations and a link to buy the book can be found on his website www.dftholyspirit.com - it is also available on Amazon. Cost is £10 (+P&P).

PASTORAL MINISTRY COURSE - we are now actively recruiting for the next course beginning in **September 2023!** If interested information evenings will be taking place as detailed below. Each session starts at 7pm, no need to book, just turn up on the evening.

<i>Thu 1 June: English Martyrs, Chard</i>	<i>Tue 13 Jun: Sacred Heart, Westbury-on-Trym</i>
<i>Tue 6 June: St George, Taunton</i>	<i>Wed 14 Jun: St John the Evangelist, Bath</i>
<i>Wed 7 June: St Gregory’s, Cheltenham</i>	<i>Thu 15 Jun: St Peter, Swindon</i>
<i>Mon 12 June: St George, Warminster</i>	<i>Tue 20 Jun: St Margaret Mary, Coleford</i>

TETBURY COMMUNITY BBQ: The Feoffees and Thirteen of Tetbury have organised a BBQ on Friday 16th June @ 6.00pm on Millennium. Green, Gumstool Hill. This event is entirely free for residents, just need take a picnic blanket or chair, some drinks and they will provide the burger or hotdog. Any donations in aid of Millennium Green projects.



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PENTECOST - EASTER VIII (YEAR A)

- Sat 27th May 6.00pm The Extended Vigil Mss in St Peter’s [NO SERMON]
 Sun 28th May 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s
10.00am Ecumenical Service at Cirencester Baptist Church.
 11.00am Mass in St Peter’s (Pro Populo)
12.30pm Holy Baptism of Jonathan Fernandes in St Peter’s

WORSHIP WEEK 8

Mon 29th May B.V.M. Mother of the Church – Memorial in the Pentecost Octave
BANK HOLIDAY - NO MASS

FR PHILIP’S DAY OFF BOTH PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Tue 30th May Feria of Week VIII – In the Octave
NO MASS

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Wed 31st May VISITATION OF OUR LADY (Feast)
 10.00am Mass in St Michael’s

Thur 1st June OLJC ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST, Feast in the Octave
 9.30am Mass in St Peter’s

Fri 2nd June Feria – in the Octave of Pentecost
 9.30am Mass in St Peter’s

Sat 3rd June The Ugandan Martyrs
 9.30am in St Peter’s

NEXT WEEK – MOST HOLY & UNDIVIDED TRINITY (YEAR A)

Sat 3rd June 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter’s (Bernadette, Magdalene & Philip Langton RIP)

Sun 4th June 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s (Pro Populo)
11.00am Mass & Holy Baptism of Ophelia Hottinger in St Peter’s (Jason Caravana RIP) NO SERMON!!

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 PENTECOST MORNING

Eighth and Final Sunday of Easter (Year A)

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11 *They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.*

Psalm Response Send forth Your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 12:3-7 & 12-13 *Diversity of gifts from the One Giver*

The Sequence Laudate 301

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20: 19-23 *Receive the Holy Spirit, says the Risen Lord.*

Communion Antiphon They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

REGINA COEL' - THE EASTER GREETING TO OUR LADY - final appearance for 2023

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.**

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: It is with sadness that we announce the deaths of two parishioners recently. We ask that you pray for the souls of Mary Townsend and Pam Penn-Taplin. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed. rest in peace. Amen.**

We offer our deepest sympathies and prayers to their families at this sad time. Mary's Funeral Requiem will be held on Monday 12th June in St Peter's Church @ Noon

ECUMENICAL PENTECOST HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE Churches

Together in Cirencester (of which St Peter's is part) invite you this Sunday morning 28th May to an Ecumenical Service, including Holy Communion, at 10.00am in Cirencester Baptist Church. Catholics attending will need to get to Mass on Saturday evening and to observe our Church's discipline about intercommunion with other Christian groups.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK Preachers like to concentrate upon the more spectacular aspects of the Holy Spirit's arrival in the Upper Room at Pentecost. Tongues of flame turn into forest fires and the sound of a wind becomes a tornado tearing through. Even allowing for the preacher getting carried away and exaggerating, we cannot ignore the fact that God the Holy Spirit can and does perform mighty acts, mysterious and utterly supernatural.

That said, we usually harness the wind by putting structures in front of it, windmills and turbines etc. The Holy Spirit acts through the structures of the Church, ordered by God's design, not human. God acts through the laity, through Bishops, priests and deacons. Vatican II's document on the Church, *Lumen Gentium*, proclaimed that the Spirit gives gifts, both charismatic and hierarchical. The Spirit gives life and power to the Seven Sacraments.

We show the presence and action of the Holy Spirit, not so much through fires and winds, but through hands and through holy oils. In Ordination and Confirmation, we see both. The Bishop lays his hand or hands on the candidates and anoints.

Oils sooth and smooth. They can be burnt to give heat and light. They can preserve food and artefacts. Most ointments and salves from the GP have oil in them to heal. These truths from everyday life, find their way into the symbolism of the Church in its holy oils, Oil of Catechumens, Oil of the Sick and Sacred Chrism.