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DATES FOR THE DIARY

1. Saturday 24th June, Birthday of St John the Baptist, patron of Cirencester town, of the Order of Malta [& its Companions], and of the St John's Ambulance Brigade. Mass in St Peter at 9.30am
2. **Saints Peter and Paul, patrons of Cirencester Parish and Holy Day of Obligation.**
Vigil Mass 28th June 6.00pm in St Peter's, 29th 9.30pm and Noon Mass in St Peter's and 6.00pm in St Michael's
3. Sunday 9th July Clifton Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury

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).

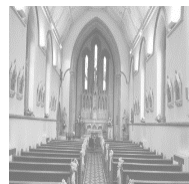
REFLECT BREAKFAST FOR WOMEN - "GOSPEL AND GRANOLA"

This takes place on Saturday 15th July @ 9.30 to 11.00 am in Christchurch, The Chipping, Tetbury. Please see poster for further information.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS The first is for Mentors to work with The Door Youth Project, which although based in Stroud is looking to develop a support network in Cirencester. Mentors support a young person or parent for an hour or so a week, giving them a safe space to feel heard and be empowered to make positive choices about their future. You can also find out more about becoming a volunteer, by consulting the Internet at <https://www.thedoor.org.uk/volunteer>, call 01453 756745, drop a message to @TheDoor Stroud, email training@thedoor.org.uk or visit the team at 44-45 High Street, Stroud."

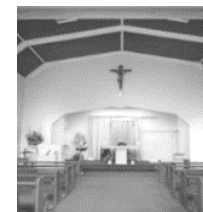
GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE The annual Glastonbury Pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 9th July. Please see poster for further information.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE Please see poster for more details



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St Michael's Church,
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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

Sat 17th June 6.00pm Vigil Mss in St Peter's (Pro Populo)
 Sun 18th June 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Jack Harding RIP)
 11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Edicino Minglina RIP)
 (Roger Minglina RIP)
 (Agapito Taklong RIP)

WORSHIP WEEK NINE

Mon 19th June Feria of Week XI

No Mass

FR PHILIP'S DAY OFF BOTH PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Tue 20th June St Alban, Protomartyr of England

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Elizabeth Brown RIP)

Wed 21st June St Aloysius Gonzaga

10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thur 22nd June SAINTS JOHN FISHER & THOMAS MORE, National Feast

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Margaret Culley Wellbeing)

Fri 23rd June St Etheldreda [Audrey] of Ely, National Memorial

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Robert Saterus RIP)

Sat 24th June BIRTHDAY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, Solemnity

9.30am in St Peter's

NEXT WEEK – WEEK XII THROUGH THE YEAR (Year A)

Sat 24th June 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's

Sun 25th June 9.00am Mass in St Michael's

11.00am Mass in St Peter's

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

SECOND COLLECTION EKEND FOR 'PETER'S PENCE' – GIFT

AID ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE

**MASS PROPERS FOR THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME (Year A)**

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to You; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, My Saviour!

First Reading: Exodus 19: 2-6 *You will be my consecrated nation and I will be your God!*

Psalm Response: We are His people; the sheep of His flock

Second Reading: Romans 5: 6-11 *Christ came to save and reconcile us all by His death and resurrection.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 9: 36-10:8 *He summoned the twelve disciples and sent them out.*

Communion Antiphon: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

VOLUNTEERING IN THE PARISH No parish can survive without volunteers, so to these in both parishes we give our grateful thanks!! However, Diocesan guidelines state that in accordance with Health and Safety restrictions, nobody should be in the church or hall on their own. We therefore ask that you abide by these rules and come in pairs to complete your tasks. We would also like to remind you that if you have an accident whilst at Mass or working within the parish, please notify Elaine so it can be recorded in the appropriate parish accident book. Thank you for your co-operation and continued support in the parish. **Fr Philip.**

CLIFTON CATHEDRAL celebrates the 50th anniversary of its opening. A Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving will be held on Friday 30th June @ 11.00am. We are invited to join Bishop Declan and Clifton priests, with Diocesan, Ecumenical and Civic guests. We have the special honour of a visit by members of the Royal family who will be joining us for this special celebration and after Mass they will take part in the unveiling of the Commemorative Stone, followed by celebratory drinks on the Cathedral atria. Please reserve a place by contacting the Cathedral Office: Phone: 0117 973 8411 or try emailing them on: cathedral@cliftondiocese.com, www.eventbrite.cowkie/647994828977 .

NEW PUBLICATION: Copies of Peter Harrison's new book which tells the story of Clifton Cathedral the Building and its People, are now available from Cathedral House or by post from cliftondiocese.com © £12.99 plus pp.

PRISONERS' SUNDAY 2023 Prisoners' Sunday falls on 8th October this year. Thank you for your support for our annual Prisoners' Sunday appeal previously! People in prison and their families can easily be marginalised and isolated in our communities. This is Pact's 125th anniversary year and unfortunately our work remains as important as it has ever done. We continue to respond to Jesus' challenge, 'I was in prison and you visited me.' contact us if you would like to attend our online See the Impact sessions in which we explain more about our work - with the help of our frontline staff and volunteers, and people with lived experience of the criminal justice system. You could alternatively send a representative from the parish instead. We will hold one via Zoom on Friday 30th June at 11.30am to 12.15pm. All welcome!

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 17th July 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single room supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK In Catholic England, before the destruction of so much by the Tudor Dynasty, St John the Baptist was the patron of Cirencester's RC church and of the town. He is still the town's patron. St John's Hospital, like St Thomas' Hospital were vital institutions in civic and religious life, fulfilling the intentions of the original donors. We send our prayers and best wishes to our neighbours in Christ, the Anglican congregation using St John the Baptist church today, together with their clergy.

It is hard for us to even picture the jollifications in church and borough that accompanied the Baptist's Birthday. Many believed in romantic magic associated with Midsummer, practicing various rituals to try and find out who a young girl or man would marry.

The revels were probably extended to run into the general festivities around the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul, the 29th June. For the 'Corinnian' Catholics of today, this is our patronal feast, being the name parishioners chose in 1888 for the new church to replace the Immaculate Conception in London Road.

Catholic theology teaches that Christ came into the world to share our life in every way, and not just our religious life. Past generations were much happier than we are to mix social and religious celebrations. Perhaps we could get back to those halcyon days!