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HOLIDAY AT HOME IN TETBURY
The dates of Holiday at Home this year are Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th August. There will be a meeting for all volunteers on Tuesday 18th July @ 7.30pm for all volunteers in Christchurch. This will give you a chance to identify the jobs (opportunities!) available - but format of the days will be very similar to previous years. If you would like to be involved, it does not need to be for the full day, just an hour or so, or part of the days all helps, please come along to the meeting. Our theme for this year is "Early Years Children's TV". As always, if you know of anyone who might enjoy a day at Holiday at Home. As always, it is intended for those who generally don't get out much, or who are unable to take a holiday this year. For further information please contact Michele Maund on 01666 504541. Thanks, as always, for your support.

ADVENCED NOTICE - ADVENT CONCERT IN CIRENCESTER -

LOOKING FOR SINGERS! After the success of last year's event, Cirencester Town //Council will once again be hosting the Advent Concert in St Jon the Baptist church on Saturday 25th November between 11.00am and 6.00pm and broadcast simultaneously to large screens located in the Market Place. We are looking for a variety of acts to appeal to all types of visitors, with each act incorporating a festive theme. Each performance will last half an hour with a further half an hour for set up/pull down. If you are interested in performing, please contact Jeanette Salter along with the number of participants by the end of July. Due to the number of slots available, we may not be able to accommodate all the acts. You, will be notified, that you have been included, in the programme by early September. Jeanette contact details; Email keystone-group.vo.uk; Tel: 01453 872731

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CIRENCESTER The AGM takes place on Thursday 20th July @ 7.30pm in Cirencester Baptist Church, Chesterton Lane, GL7 1YE. It would be good if St Peter's Parish is, well represented.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE Please see poster for more details.



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7 St Peter's Road
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St Michael's Church,
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

Sat 15th July 6.00pm Vigil Mss in St Peter's (Mary Townsend RIP)

Sun 16th July 9.00am Mass in St Michael's

11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populo)

WORSHIP WEEK FIFTEENTH

Mon 17th July Feria of Week XV

No Mass

FR PHILIP'S DAY OFF BOTH PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Tue 18th July Feria

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Wed 19th July Feria

10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thur 20th July St Apollinaris

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Fri 21st July St Lawrence of Brindisi

9.30am Mass in St Peter'

Sat 22nd July ST MARY MAGDALENE (Feast)

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

1.00pm Wedding in St Peter's

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

Sat 22nd July 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's Sun 23rd July 9.00am Mass in St Michael's

11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populo)

SECOND COLLECTION BISHOP'S CHARITABLE FUND

CONFESSIONS

In St Peter's Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm
In St Michael's Wednesday10.45am ton 11.15am & by Appointment; please ring to arrange. Thank you.

PROPERS FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-11 The rain makes the earth give growth.

Psalm Response: Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop.

<u>Second Reading: Romans 8: 16-23</u> The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23 A sower went out to sow.

<u>Communion Antiphon</u>: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, forever singing your praise.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will take place on Youth Sunday; Sunday 26th November in both Parishes. If you have a child aged eight or over who has been Baptised, please contact Elaine at your parish office and form will be sent to you. Lessons will start in early September.

<u>DAVID LOWSLEY-WILLIAMS RIP</u> David's family have arranged a Memorial Service in St Mary's Church, Tetbury on Thursday 27th July 2023 @ 2.00pm. St Michael's Parishioners are warmly invited to attend.

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 and all within me 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.

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.

<u>CLERGY TRAINING FUND AND PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND:</u> As well as the annual collections for these most important funds; the Diocese hopes that you will consider donating throughout the year. Please see the posters for further details.

AN INTRODUCTION TO SMALL GROUP FACILITATION - as part of our commitment to growing as a Synodal Church the department of Adult Education & Evangelization is offering an opportunity for parishioners to develop the skills of small group facilitation in the context of Parish Pastoral Councils, RCIA, Prayer Groups, Confirmation Preparation, and any other parish groups. This short session will help us to develop an attitude of listening with the heart and sharing with generosity. It will provide participants with a model for rooting decision making in prayer and discernment and the tools necessary for effective facilitation. Dates and venues (including Eventbrite link to register): For the nearest venue: Sat 30th Sept: St Patrick, Brockworth, (10.00am-Noon) www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/652917512857
Please sign up for any of the events on offer through the Eventbrite link. A minimum of five people is required for a session to take place – no upper limit. Please see poster for further information.

<u>TETBURY WELFARE CHARITIES</u> The charity has served the local community continually for many years and is able to consider most requests submitted. Times are difficult for many people at the moment and help is needed more than ever. Leaflets and application forms are available from the parish office.

THE LITTLE WAY CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL TRUST (CET) The new Little Way CET is due to open on 1 January 2024. It will initially launch with six Gloucestershire Catholic Primary Schools and aims to expand to include more schools soon. Bishop Declan has appointed six Foundation Directors and is seeking to appoint two more Directors to complete the board. Existing Foundation Governors/ Directors, as well as people without any previous school governor experience, may apply. The board has identified a need for a person(s) with skills in Legal matters and/or Human Resources – so applications from those with experience in either/or both areas would be particularly welcome. If you're a practising Catholic, believe in Catholic education, have enthusiasm and commitment, If you are interested, please contact Bill McEntee, Governance Officer at the Clifton Diocese Schools and Colleges Department via bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com or 07710094976 for more information or an application pack: