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HOLIDAY AT HOME IN TETBURY The dates of **Holiday at Home** this year are **Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th August**. 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 not be able to take a holiday; and may enjoy a day at Holiday at Home. ar. For further information please contact Brian Cook email; bacwoodb@aol.com. Thanks, as always, for your support.

ADVANCED 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

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.

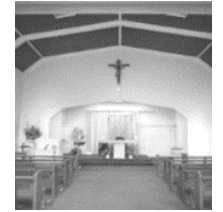
CLERGY TRAINING FUND AND PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND: As well as the annual collections for these most important funds; the Diocese hopes that you will consider donating throughout the year. Please see the posters for further details.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE Please see poster for more details.



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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

Sat 22nd July 6.00pm Vigil Mss in St Peter's (Librado Caravana RIP)
Sun 23rd July 9.00am Mass in St Michael's
11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populo)

2nd COLLECTION TODAY - BISHOP'S CHARITABLE FUND

WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Mon 24th July Feria of Week XVI

No Mass

FR PHILIP'S DAY OFF BOTH PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Tue 25th July ST JAMES THE GREAT, (Feast)

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Aaron Malone RIP)

Wed 26th July Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of Our Lady

10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thur 27th July Feria

9.00am Mass in St Peter's

Noon Traditional Latin Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart, Bristol for Christina Sewell

2.00pm Memorial Service for the late David Lowsley-Williams at St Mary's, Tetbury

Fri 28th July Feria

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (Fr. John Phillip's intentions)

Sat 29th July Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, The Saints of Bethany

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (R.Bethany Head's Intentions)

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

Sat 29th July 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's

Sun 30th July 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.

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

Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading: **Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19** *After sin you will grant repentance.*

Psalm Response: **O Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

Second Reading: **Romans 8: 26-27** *The Spirit expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia.

Gospel: **Matthew 13: 24-43** *Let them both grow till harvest.*

Communion Antiphon: The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

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.

DAVID LOWSLEY-WILLIAMS RIP 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.**

TETBURY WELFARE CHARITIES 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.

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.

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:

'LIGHT OF TRUTH' CATECHISTS' FORMATION COURSE Clifton

Diocese in partnership with 'Light of Truth' are offering a 6-week course for the formation of catechists. The sessions cover:

- Introduction to catechesis – 21 September
- Proclaiming the Good News: Jesus Christ at the heart of catechesis – 28 September
- The Faith of the Church: Introduction to the Catechism – 5 October
- Scriptural catechesis: introduction to the Bible – 12 October
- Methods and Resources – 19 October
- Preparing a Catechetical Session – 26 October

This training is for seasoned or new catechists working with children, young people or adults, for everyone involved in Children's Liturgy of the Word, and for anyone interested in passing on the faith.