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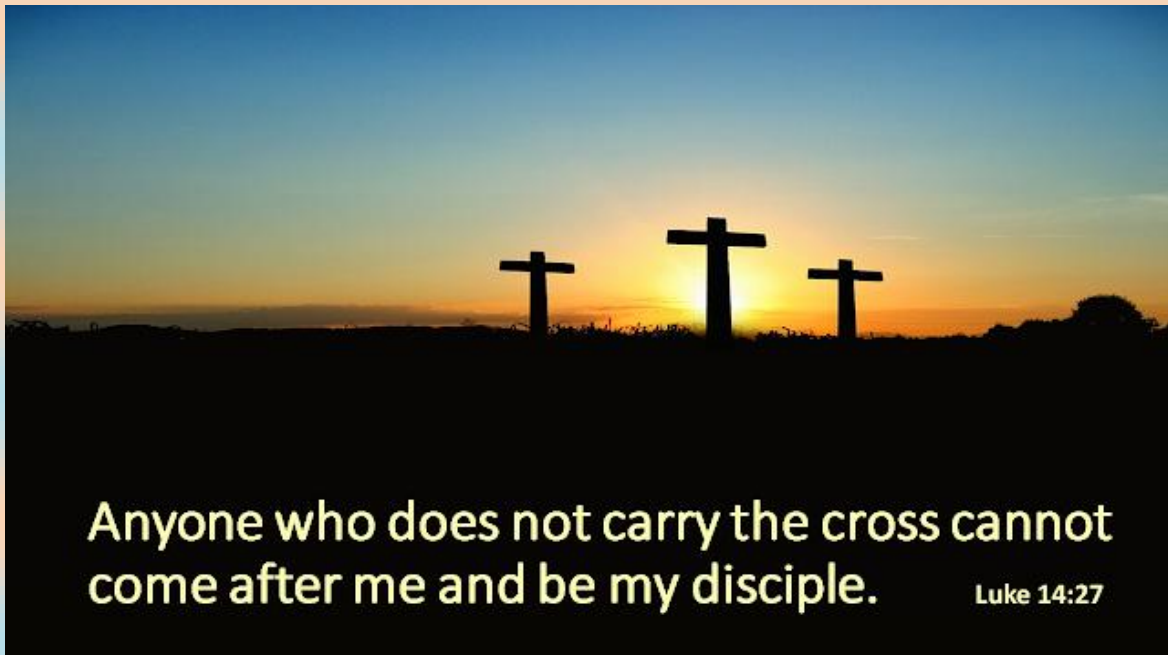
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# **TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY**



**Dear Friends,**

**Luke 14:25-33** - Jesus talks about the cost of discipleship with startling honesty. Being a disciple could mean division, separation even from loved ones because loyalty to Christ has to take precedence over the dearest loyalties of this world. To choose Christ could mean denial of other things and other loyalties!

The disciple must be ready to take up the cross, to be regarded as a criminal and to die, no glory, no fame, no name, no wealth... no pretences!

Jesus calls us to break out of our safe and comfortable zones into new and challenging life-style, a "cross-bearing" way of life... A cross-bearing way of life involves denial of self in the service of God.

Discipleship means dying to self so as to live for Christ. It means following his plan rather than our

own agenda and obedience to His will and wisdom. To be obedient requires openness to hardship and suffering...

**Be prepared to welcome and accept the pain and the loss that come with being faithful to your call...**

**Being a disciple has its cost. But it is worth investing, worth sacrifice. Invest yourself into loving God and God's people!**

### **23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)**

<b>When</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Masses Requested</b>	<b>Saints &amp; Feasts</b>
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Sep 5.30pm	St. Peter's	Patricia Fletcher - RIP	Adoration followed by Mass at 6.00pm
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Sep 9.00am 11.00am	St. Michael's St. Peter's	James O' Sullivan - Int.	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b> Rosary at 10.40am followed by Mass
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Fr. Maria's Day off</b>	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> Sep 9.30am	St. Peter's		St. Peter Claver
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep 10.00am	St. Michael's		
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup> Sep 9.30am	St. Peter's		
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Sep 9.30am	St. Peter's		The Most Holy Name of Mary

#### **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

In St. Peter's Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

In St. Michael's Wednesday 10.30am to 11.00am

**A Warm Welcome:** today is Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September. As always, we welcome visitors and newcomers to join our "regulars," asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces on us all. You are most welcome to join us for coffee and tea in the Parish Hall.

### **SECOND COLLECTION**

This weekend (7<sup>th</sup> September) there will be a second collection for **Catholic Education Service.**

### **REQUEST FROM ST. MICHAEL'S**

We are setting up a children's corner in the church of St. Michael's for use during Mass. If anyone has some small children's chairs/furniture or suitable equipment for a simple children's corner, we would be very grateful for your contribution.

Please contact Mary, Margaret, Breda or Sue.

### **HELP NEEDED PLEASE...**

The downstairs windows in the presbytery are badly needing painting. Pat Togher has been kind enough to offer his services from 19<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> September to prepare and paint. If you have some spare time to help, we would be grateful. Teamwork makes the dream work. Please fill in the sheet at the back of the Church. – Cathy Nelson



### **MAMMA MIA FILM NIGHT**

Please join us for our next fundraising event featuring the songs from ABBA ~ Mamma Mia Film Night (& Sing-Along) **at St. Peter's Parish Hall on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, doors open at 6:30pm.** Tickets are £15 each and include a delicious selection of Greek food. There will be an exciting raffle and drinks available for purchase on the night. Fancy dress optional. All proceeds will go towards repairs needed at St Peter's Parish Hall. Please purchase tickets online beforehand at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peters-cirencester/> OR please speak to a member of the fundraising team and we can reserve tickets for you! Thank you for your support.

## **LEGION OF MARY**

We will be moving our weekly meeting from the daytime to evening beginning on **Monday September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Our Lady's Birthday.**

Our presidium meets weekly to recite rosary, a spiritual reading and discussion and an invocation of the Holy Spirit to guide our work.

Apostolic Works: Visiting and praying with the sick and elderly. Reaching out to lapsed Catholics to help them return to the faith. Assisting in parish activities.

You may already be doing some of the above so we would welcome you to come and say the Rosary with us and share the spiritual reading and discussions. All are welcome.

**Monday September 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. Meeting Room, St. Peter's Parish Hall.**

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## **ST. PETER'S PARISH BARBEQUE**



## **ST. PETER'S PARISH BBQ – YOU'RE INVITED!**

We're delighted to invite you all to the **St. Peter's Barbeque** on **Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> September** - so please mark the date in your calendar!



Join us for a joyful afternoon filled with delicious food, warm fellowship, and lots of fun for all ages. You're most welcome to bring along a **vegetable salad or dessert** to share.

To help us with planning, kindly **make yourself known to Fr. Maria or Patrick Scodeller, or Cathy Nelson** if you're able to attend or contribute something.

Let's come together as a parish family and make it a day to remember!

**We look forward to seeing you there!**

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## **REST IN PEACE**



### **REMEMBERING PATRICIA FLETCHER**

It is with deep sadness that we share the news of the sudden passing of **Patricia Fletcher**, a cherished member of our community. Her **funeral service** will be held at **St. Peter's on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September at 11:00 am**, followed by her burial at **Chesterton Cemetery**.

We invite all who knew Patricia to join us in giving thanks for her life, to pray for the repose of her soul, and to stand alongside her family at this time of grief. May she rest in peace, and may her memory continue to inspire love and faith among us all.

## **MISSION MASSES IN THE CLIFTON DIOCESE**



During this Jubilee year of Hope, Missio will be celebrating three Mission Masses in our diocese. The main diocesan celebration will be Mass with Bishop Bosco at 7pm on Tuesday 16 September at Holy Family Catholic Church, Southsea Road, Patchway, Bristol BS34 5DP.

Missio volunteers, Red Box supporters and the wider diocesan community are invited to join Bishop Bosco and Fr. Anthony Chantry MHM (National Director of Missio England & Wales), along with Mill Hill Missionaries for this special celebration.

Two further Masses have been organised for September. Each Mass will be followed by a time to share our enthusiasm and experiences of supporting the mission of the Church. Tuesday, 9 September 7pm, St. Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Church, Matson Lane, Matson, Gloucester GL4 6DT. Thursday, 18 September 7pm, St. Catharine's Catholic Church, Park Road, Frome, Somerset BA11 1EU. If you'd like any more information or if you could help in any way at one of the Masses, please email [redbox@missio.org.uk](mailto:redbox@missio.org.uk)

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### **Offeritory Collection**

#### **Last Week:**

**St. Peter's:** £ 340.84 (incl. via the Dona Machine)

**St. Michael:** £ 134.80

