

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WESTON-SUPER-MARE

Corpus Christi • Our Lady of Lourdes • St Joseph's

THIS WEEK
Ordinary Time Week 15

SUNDAY 11th July 2021
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

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

Collect

O, God, who shows the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians, the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honour.

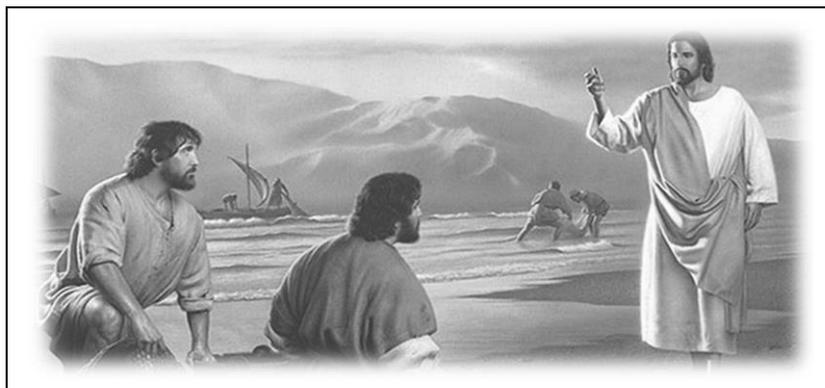
1st Reading Amos 7:12-15

Psalm Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

2nd Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel Verse 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.

Gospel Mark 6:7-13



Travel Light

Canon Tom Gunning

Jesus sends out the Twelve in our Gospel passage this week-end. They are to preach repentance, cast out demons and heal the sick. They are also urged to travel light. All they need to carry is a staff. So no bag, no sandwiches, no money. Just one pair of sandals and one tunic.

What this episode in the Gospel is teaching us is that we must travel lightly as we seek to follow Jesus. We should not be weighed down with possessions. St Francis took Jesus' words very literally. He lived a life of poverty, begging for what he needed. We cannot all become beggars. However, all of us can look at what we have accumulated in our lives. We can ask ourselves "Do we need all this?" To be a Christian today means that we have to reject the materialistic lifestyle which sees success as acquiring more and more. We are called to treasure our life in Christ and invest our time in faith and trust in God and in love of others. We do need material things in life but they should not be what drives us. We follow Jesus who came to set us free from sin and the following of the false gods of possessions. Can we use what we have in excess of our own needs to help others who have nothing? This is what St Paul urged the Christians of Corinth to do in the second reading we had a few Sundays ago (2 Cor 8:7-9,13-15). In doing this we are helping to cast out the demons of grinding poverty endured by so many in our world today.



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NOTICE BOARD

PLEASE PRAY FOR - Joan Brannigan. Also for Ann Parsonage (mother of Lynne Parsonage) who passed away suddenly on Saturday 3rd July. Please remember Lynne and the family in your thoughts and prayers. *'May Ann see the light of heaven'* Amen.

THE DIVINE MERCY CANDLE is being kept alight at Our Lady of Lourdes. This week we pray for Amar and Elizabeth Dias and Jose Thomas R.I.P

PRAYER - ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

FIND OUT ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH - Are you interested to know about the Catholic Faith? Do you want to become a Catholic? Do you know anyone who would like to know how to become a Catholic? If so, our Journey in Faith sessions or RCIA might be just the thing. During these sessions we explore different aspects of the Catholic faith and the teachings of the Catholic Church. We listen to God's word in Scripture and we pray together. For more information please contact Canon Tom or our Parish Administrator. Contact information can be found at the bottom of this Newsletter.

FOODBANK - Barbara is still collecting money to buy the items urgently needed for the foodbank. This is an ongoing project which will continue although sometimes there isn't space in the bulletin to mention it. Thank you for your generous contributions.

RICHARD WALTON - Ann Walton would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support during this very difficult time, especially those people that know Richard and her very well. "Your love and prayers are very much appreciated. Richard is now home after heart surgery but will need more heart surgery again soon."

ST. JOSEPH'S - Please note that there will be no Saturday Morning Mass at St. Joseph's on the 10th July.

CLEANING AT CC - Thank you to everyone who has offered to help clean the church on a Saturday morning. Saturday the 17th July will be the next cleaning session at 10am.

LGBT+ MASS - The monthly celebration of the Eucharist for LGBT+ Catholics, families and friends will take place this Sunday the 11th July at 3.00pm at St. Nicholas of Tolentino Church, Lawford's Gate, Easton, Bristol. BS5 0RE. To livestream follow the link on the parish website: <https://tolentino.org.uk>. All are welcome.

THE DUNSTAN CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL TRUST

The Dunstan Catholic Educational Trust, consisting of 6 Catholic Primary Schools in Somerset and North Somerset is looking to recruit more Directors to join its newly formed Trust Board. This is an exciting opportunity to be part of one of the first Multi Academy Trusts within Clifton Diocese. If you have enthusiasm and commitment, can take a strategic view and wish to support and sustain Catholic education, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing board of this new Multi Academy Trust. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, to provide the best possible education for the children in our schools. Please see the Director Recruitment Pack <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Director-Recruitment-Pack.pdf> for further details and how to apply. Closing date for applications is 12.00 noon on Tuesday 31 August.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA - Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Today's second collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Catholic Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. For an appeal talk from Bishop Paul Mason and a video showing some of what Stella Maris does, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work. To donate, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations, so please give generously. Thank you.

NEW OFFICE HOURS AT OLOL - Please note the new opening times for the parish office at Our Lady of Lourdes are: Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 – 1:00pm. You can always email at wsm.ourladyoflourdes@cliftondiocese.com if you have any queries.

BIBLE STUDY AT OLOL - There will be a Bible Study on Tuesday 13th July at Our Lady of Lourdes' parish room - all are welcome.

DIVINE MERCY CANDLE AT OLOL - If you wish to light a candle for one week for a special intention, please contact the parish office to book the available date. Candles cost £5.00 each.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION - Spiritual Direction is a confidential and prayerful relationship of trust between two people, in which one listens to the other, enabled by the Holy Spirit, in discerning, supporting, affirming and offering guidance and resources in the life-long journey of spiritual growth and maturity. The material for spiritual direction is not only to do with prayer but with the whole of your life experience. Resources are available at; <https://cliftondiocese.com/spiritual-direction>

A MESSAGE FROM JOSEPH MEIGH - Thank you so very much for the prayers, and cards, and messages from Weston for last Saturday, when (along with four others) I was ordained Deacon, by the Archbishop of Southwark, John Wilson, in the chapel of St John's Seminary, Womersley. This was the final liturgy to take place there as a functioning seminary, so it was a bittersweet occasion in that sense, but this was overwhelmed by the great happiness of everybody there: the 5 of us new deacons, other seminarians and staff, and just a handful of guests each. After the summer break, I'll be based next year at St Mary's, Bath, commuting into the Seminary at Allen Hall, Chelsea, for a couple of days a week, to finish off the remaining necessary classes. Once again, thank you so much to all three Weston parishes for being such a huge part of my journey so far. Please also spare a prayer for Stephen Corrigan, who is being ordained priest for our diocese in the Cathedral this Saturday, 10th July. Wishing you a relaxing and enjoyable summer—and hopefully see you soon! God bless, Joseph.

GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK - "The 11th Annual GK Chesterton Walking Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 24th July 2021. You can sponsor Stuart as he raises funds for Good Counsel on this 27 mile walk here: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gkwalk21 You can email prayer intentions to be prayed for along the way, to; catholicgkcsociety@yahoo.co.uk You can join us for Mass or part of the walk on the day or even just join us by saying the GK Chesterton Prayer on the day wherever you are. Find details and the prayer in a number of languages here; www.catholicgkchestertonsociety.co.uk "

ADULT FORMATION AND EVANGELISATION OFFICER - Are you passionate about your faith and have a desire to share it with others? Would you like to support our parishes in their mission to be communities of evangelisation and mission? Do you have an interest in developing resources and working with a variety of different groups to deliver effective and dynamic sacramental preparation alongside accompanying parishes in their outreach to those seeking faith or simply curious? The successful applicant will need to be committed to the mission of the Church, a confident communicator, be able to promote the Gospel and support parishes to grow in their capacity to be places of mission and outreach. Closing date is 23rd July. See next item for details.

CARITAS AND ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER - Are you passionate about our planet and how we care for it? Do you care about the poor and the vulnerable in our local communities? Would you like to be able to develop coordinated plans for action, working with parishes and schools in a Catholic setting? With two key aspects to this role, the successful applicant will need to have the confidence to ensure that both the Cry of the Poor and the Cry of the Earth are fully integrated into the life of our parishes and schools. For further information/informal discussion about the roles please contact Sarah Adams, the Director of Adult Education & Evangelisation on 0117 902 5595. The job description, personal specification and application form are available from www.cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/ Closing date for receipt of applications: **5pm, Friday 23 July 2021.**

ASK YOUR MP TO VOTE AGAINST ABORTION UP TO BIRTH - The abortion lobby, led by the UK's largest abortion provider, BPAS, has worked with Diana Johnson MP to bring forward an amendment to hijack the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to introduce abortion on demand, for any reason, up to birth to England and Wales. This would be the single biggest change to abortion legislation since 1967 and would leave England and Wales with one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world. We are expecting that this radical proposal will be voted on by MPs this Monday. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool that makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to vote against the motion. Please click the link below to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds! www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAbortionUpToBirth

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

CC – CORPUS CHRISTI

OLOL – OUR LADY OF LOURDES

ST. J'S – ST. JOSEPH'S

	PARISH MASSES & INTENTIONS			OTHER GROUPS & EVENTS		
SUNDAY <i>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.00pm Sat CC 9.15am OLOL 11.00am CC	Vigil Mass Deirdre McLoughlin R.I.P Mass Elizabeth and Amar Dias and Jose Thomas R.I.P Mass People of the Parish	9.00am CC 6.00pm CC	Mass in Polish Mass Holy Souls		
MONDAY	9.30am CC	Mass Dermot Healy R.I.P				
TUESDAY <i>Saint Henry</i>	9.30am OLOL 3.30pm CC	Mass Ruby Aris R.I.P and Intention of the Catenian Association Requiem Mass Tony Denny R.I.P				
WEDNESDAY <i>Saint Camillus of Lellis, Priest</i>	10.00am CC	Mass Mike Kemp R.I.P	6.30pm St. J's	Mass in Polish		
THURSDAY <i>Saint Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	7.00pm OLOL	Mass Souls in purgatory esp. the Deceased members of Foss Families	8.45am CC 9.30am St. J's	Mother's Prayers on Zoom Mass in Polish		
FRIDAY <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	10.00am CC	Mass Frank Williams and Bridget Evans R.I.P	6.30pm St. J's	Mass in Polish		
SATURDAY <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	12.00noon OLOL	Mass Victor and Trudy Payne R.I.P in remembrance of their Wedding Anniversary	9.30am St. J's 10.00am St. J's	Morning Prayer with Exposition Liturgy of the Word followed by Holy Communion (except the 1 st Saturday of the month when there will be a Mass)		
NEXT SUNDAY <i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.00pm Sat CC 9.15am OLOL 11.00am CC	Vigil Mass Tom and Ann Intentions Mass Ann Coombs R.I.P Mass People of the Parish	9.00am CC 3.00pm CC 6.00pm CC	Mass in Polish Syro-Malabar Mass Mass Stella and Ken King R.I.P		

CONFESSIONS

Canon Tom is always happy to hear confessions on request or by appointment but regular slots in the week are:

Saturday 12.30pm OLOL and 5pm CC. Sunday 5.40pm CC Thursday 7.30pm OLOL

Please note that the obligation to attend Mass is still suspended.

THIS WEEKEND

There will be a second collection for Stella Maris formerly the Apostleship of the Sea.

NEXT WEEKEND

There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 27th JUNE 2021

CC £381.20 – Peter's Pence £450.19

OLOL £217.20 – Peter's Pence £162.78

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