

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WESTON-SUPER-MARE

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

THIS WEEK
Ordinary Time Week 16

SUNDAY 18th July 2021
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

Collect

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.

1st Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

2nd Reading Ephesians 2:13-18

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

Gospel Mark 6:30-34



No time to eat

Canon Tom Gunning

St Mark tells us that after the Apostles return from their mission journey they become so busy that they have no time to eat. Jesus responds to their need and takes them off by boat to some lonely place for a rest. The people upset Jesus' plan by getting to that place by foot. Jesus then responds to the needs of those people and feeds them on his word. The scene is now set for the miracle of the feeding of the 5,000. We will hear St John's account of this and Jesus' teaching after this miracle for the next few weeks.

We can all become exhausted by the various tasks we have to do and by the pressures that we're under. Jesus teaches us today to rest from these tasks and remove ourselves from these pressures. As holiday time approaches we seek time to refresh ourselves. Some theologians describe the scene in St Mark's Gospel as a chance for the Apostles to find themselves, to renew their relationship with Jesus. We can all do this in some shape or form. Today may we be fed by Jesus through his teaching and through his Eucharist.



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NOTICE BOARD

PLEASE PRAY FOR - The Cross Family, Joan Brannigan, Peter Ivaldi and Molly Thomas. Also for Thresiakutty Varghese (Shibu's mother) who died on Thursday 8th July. Please remember Shibu and the family in your thoughts and prayers. 'May Thresiakutty see the light of heaven' Amen.

THE DIVINE MERCY CANDLE is being kept alight at Our Lady of Lourdes. This week we pray for the well being of Hugh and Anne Mackay.

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.

22ND JULY - FEAST OF SAINT MARY

MAGDALENE - Mary was a follower of Jesus 'out of whom he had cast seven devils'. She stood at Calvary, went to anoint his body at the tomb and was the first witness of the resurrection. The Church in modern times has abandoned Mary Magdalene's former identification both with the sinner woman who anointed Christ's feet in Simon's house and as being Mary, the sister of Martha.

23RD JULY - SAINT BRIDGET - 1303-73. Born of a rich governor of Upland she was married to a young prince at the age of 14. They had eight children of whom one was St. Catherine of Sweden. Her husband soon died after a pilgrimage to Compostela and she founded the Order of the Most Holy Saviour, building a double monastery for monks and nuns at Vadstena. In 1349 she moved to Rome to obtain approval for her Order, where she worked for the return of the Popes from Avignon. Her austerity of life, her devotion both in visiting shrines and in serving pilgrims, the poor and the sick were impressive.

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.

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/gkcwalk21 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.**

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR ANN PARSONAGE - Lynne Parsonage and Family would like to invite you to celebrate the life of Ann on Monday 19th July 12pm at Corpus Christi followed by refreshments at Worlebury Golf Club.

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.

CLERGY TRAINING FUND - The collection taken across the Diocese enables the Bishop to support those who offer themselves for training for the Diocesan priesthood. This fund enables the Bishop to fund their training at the seminary and offer them a grant during their years of formation. The fund, at times, is also used to support on-going formation opportunities for clergy in our Diocese and formation of permanent Deacons. There are some envelopes in the church porch or you can donate at: [Special collection for Clergy Training | Clifton Diocese](#)

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.

LIFTING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS - The Government rules are changing on the 19th July. We have received the Bishops' guidance and recommend that face coverings still be worn. We will also be amending the seating area so that we can accommodate 100 people (more if there are families) but we still are adhering to social distance regulations. Also sanitising of hands is still recommended and the sanitizers will still be at the back of the church.

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.

RIGHT TO LIFE UK - *"We pray for all expectant mothers. We pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends, and local communities, as they journey through this life-changing experience. Lord hear us"*

MUSICAL THANKS AT CC - The Gerlach family, Chris, Julia and Ed, have decided that the time has come to hand over the baton for leading our Music Group in providing music at Sunday Mass. Chris and Julia have been involved since the Folk Group (which is what it was then called) first began in the early 1980s. We owe them and their family a massive thank you for all those years of dedication and commitment. We are going to miss them so much. They will certainly be a hard act to follow.

SINGING AT MASS - We have now received the Bishop's guidance with regards to congregational singing and this will be permitted indoors from the 19th July. Face coverings should still be worn whilst singing together, until infection levels reduce.

MUSIC AT MASS AT CC - As many of our singers will be away over the summer we will not plan to start up till the end of August. However, if there are any of you out there who can play piano or organ or other instruments, and would be prepared to form a new group, please let us know.

FAMILY PRAYER RESOURCES FOR SUMMER - CAFOD will be offering a prayer focus for each week of the summer holidays with some simple ideas, designed to help parents explore faith with their children, in solidarity with our global family. This will be available from mid-July at <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources>

ADULT EDUCATION - On Saturday 25 September we are looking to draw together catechists from around our diocese, as well as those involved in parish formation and evangelisation, as a way of offering an opportunity for conversation and formation, focusing on family catechesis. David Wells and Ingrid La Trobe will help us to reflect on the role of parents in catechesis and give catechists the confidence to enable them to be the first teachers of their children's faith. The day will take place at St. John the Baptist parish centre, Trowbridge, and will start at 11am and finish around 4pm. Refreshments will be provided from 10.30am, we ask catechists to bring a packed lunch. Numbers will be limited for the day so please ask your parishioners to register early. They can register through this email: adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

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>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.00pm Sat	CC	Vigil Mass Tom and Ann's Intentions	9.00am	CC	Mass in Polish
	9.15am	OLOL	Mass Ann Coombs R.I.P	3.00pm	CC	Syro-Malabar Mass
	11.00am	CC	Mass People of the Parish	6.00pm	CC	Mass Stella and Ken King R.I.P
MONDAY	9.30am	CC	Mass Valerie Picken's Intentions			
TUESDAY <i>Saint Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr</i>	9.30am	OLOL	Mass 55 th Wedding Anniversary of Moira and Geoff Field			
WEDNESDAY <i>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Bishop</i>	10.00am	CC	Mass Stephen Hill R.I.P	6.30pm	St. J's	Mass in Polish
THURSDAY <i>Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles</i>	7.00pm	OLOL	Mass For the Intention of Kasia, Arthur and children. For God's grace and protection of Mary.	8.45am	CC	Mother's Prayers on Zoom
				9.30am	St. J's	Mass in Polish
FRIDAY <i>Feast of Saint Bridget, Patron of Europe</i>	10.00am	CC	Mass Marion and Duncan Kehoe R.I.P	6.30pm	St. J's	Mass in Polish
SATURDAY <i>Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest</i>	12.00noon	OLOL	Mass Deirdre McLoughlin R.I.P	9.30am	St. J's	Morning Prayer with Exposition
				10.00am	St. J's	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>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.00pm Sat	CC	Vigil Mass Patrick McEaney R.I.P	9.00am	CC	Mass in Polish
	9.15am	OLOL	Mass Brendan Greaney R.I.P 2 nd Death Anniversary	6.00pm	CC	Mass People and Clergy of CTK Parish Bulawayo
	11.00am	CC	Mass People of the Parish			

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 the Clergy Training Fund.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 6TH JULY 2021
CC £397.01 – OLOL £233.65

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