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**SUNDAY XV 'Per Annum'**

**Sunday and Weekday Worship in Wells**

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| Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> July | 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday ( <i>Pro Populo</i> )   |
| Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> July | 9.00am Solemn Mass ( <i>Antonio Zoleo's recovery</i> )<br><b>3.00pm Diocesan Pilgrimage Mass in Glastonbury Abbey Grounds</b> |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>Feria of Week 15</u><br>9.30am Mass ( )  |
| Tue 14 <sup>th</sup> July | Feria<br><b>9.30am Funeral Mass for Joyce Case</b>  |
| Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>St Bonaventure</u><br>9.30am Mass ( )  |
| Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> July | Feria<br>9.30am Mass ( )  |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July | Feria<br>9.30am Mass ( )<br><b>No Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form ( )</b>   |
| Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>Our Lady on Saturday</u><br>9.30am Mass ( )  |

**Next Sunday: Sunday XVI (Year B)**

**Confessions** Normally, the holy Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturdays, Noon to 12.30pm in Shepton and from 5.00pm to 5.30pm in Wells. Do ring and check

**(Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B)**

Last week's collection for the **the Columban Fathers' Mission Appeal** raised £567.61

**SEA SUNDAY** This weekend is Sea Sunday when the Church remembers all those who live and work at sea. The Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. It reaches out to seafarers who visit our ports each year, offering pastoral and practical support and care. The AoS is wholly dependent on voluntary donations to continue its work. **Pease give generously to the second collection this weekend.**

Next weekend there will be a collection is for the Fabric Fund.

**ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME** Patricia Baker (2001), Prue Barrington (1994), Norah Seigne (1991), George Davis (1987) Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

**Worship in Shepton**

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| Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</u><br>11.00am Mass (Thanksgiving for 13 years of Priesthood) |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> July | Feria of Week 15<br>9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC  |
| Tue 14 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>St Camillus de Lellis</u><br>9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC  |
| Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>St Bonaventure</u><br><b>7pm Mass at Evercreech</b>   |
| Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</u><br>9.15am e Word and HC  |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July | Feria<br>9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC   |
| Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> July | Noon Confessions   |
| Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> July | <u>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</u><br>11.00am Mass ( )                                       |

**PRACTICAL MINISTRIES - ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEK**

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| <b>CLEANING</b>          | <b>COFFEE</b>                  | <b>FLOWERS</b>       | <b>WELCOMING</b>                  |
| Lorna Kelly & Nicki Hall | Charlotte Lythaby & Maria Mena | Mollie & Lotna Kelly | 6pm Helen Cox<br>9am Molra Haines |

**9.00AM SUNDAY MASS MUSIC**

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| <i>Hymns</i>            | <i>Mass setting:</i>            |
| <b>Opening hymn 379</b> | <b>Kyrie Said</b>               |
| <b>Presentation 377</b> | <b>Gloria 409</b>               |
| <b>Communion 730</b>    | <b>Gospel Acclamation 412</b>   |
| <b>Final hymn 679</b>   | <b>Sanctus 433</b>              |
|                         | <b>Memorial Acclamation 437</b> |
|                         | <b>Agnus Dei 455</b>            |

**CHOIR PRACTICE** We shall meet in the organ loft this Tuesday at 7.30pm. New choir members are very welcome. Please speak to Fr Philip or Ruth Hudson

**NEW OR RETURNING TO THE PARISH?** You are very welcome! If you are attending the 9am Mass please do join us for coffee afterwards. And please fill in one of the yellow registration cards which you will find in the porch.

**TO PONDER OVER DURING THE WEEK - Mark 6:7-13** And



Jesus called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you

leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them." So they went out and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them

*Question of the week:* 'Travelling light' has always been an important value for the Christian disciple. In what ways is my life and my lifestyle too cluttered?

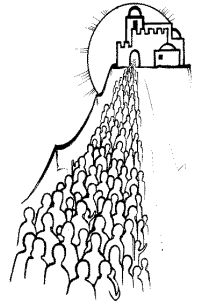
**CATECHETICS CERTIFICATE COURSE** This innovative course gives support and training to parish catechists. Anyone who would like to learn more about their faith is most welcome. However, this course would be particularly useful to those involved with sacramental preparation such as: Children's Liturgy, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, Confirmation and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The course will run from Autumn 2009 to Summer 2010 at Alexander House, 160 Pennywell Road, Bristol BS5 0TX. See noticeboard or contact [ronnie.mitchinson@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:ronnie.mitchinson@clifftondiocese.com)

**DIOCESAN SUMMER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2009** Bishop Declan invites us to join him on pilgrimage to Lourdes from 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> August. Further information from Deacon David Wakefield, 01380 720916, email: [lourdes@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:lourdes@clifftondiocese.com) – or, if you have never been before and would like to know what the pilgrimage is like, speak to Nell Atkin (674915) who has taken part in the pilgrimage for many years .

**FORTHCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY**

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| <b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>                       | <b>2.00pm Abbey Grounds</b> | <b>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Glastonbury</b> |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July                            | 7.30pm Church organ loft    | Choir practice  |
| Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> August | Various venues              | Week of parish activities for children                |

**GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE: This Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July.** The theme of this year's pilgrimage is 'Mary, Woman of Hope'. The rosary procession starts at 2pm from the Abbey grounds. It will exit the grounds at the top of the town and return to the Abbey through the main entrance gates, via the High Steet and town centre. Mass will be at 3.30pm and will include a sacramental anointing of the sick. Bishop Declan has written: 'Please consider supporting this annual diocesan event which is the only public act of witness in the diocesan calendar, making it a very special occasion.'



**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM IN THE AUTUMN** There will be Mass each day on the pilgrimage, either in the brand new Parish Church or out at the Church of Reconciliation, next to the Slipper Chapel. There will also be a strong, ecumenical aspect to the trip, with prayers at the Methodist and Orthodox churches as well as at the Anglican Shrine. Stations of the Cross and confessions will also be available. On the social side, visits to Sandringham, Wells-next-the-Sea and other local places of interest, maybe with a day in Norwich. Fr Philip has reserved accommodation for 20 parishioners at Catholic Pilgrim Bureau in Walsingham from the evening of Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October to the morning of Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October. There is a brochure and sign-up sheet on the 'Social Events' notice board. The cost for Bed and Breakfast plus travel will be £110 per person. For further information please speak to Fr Philip. (We shall be back in time to celebrate St Teresa in Wells that evening) We need to finalise numbers, so that unused but reserved rooms can be offered to other pilgrims. PLEASE SIGN UP BY SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JULY.

**WARTIME FARMING MEMORIES** If you were living or working on a Somerset farm during World War II, come along to our Farming in Wartime event on the afternoon of Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July at the Tithe Barn, Pilton for food, music and a chance to share your stories with young people farming today. For further information please phone 0117 3308494 or email [alighome2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alighome2000@yahoo.co.uk)

**IMPROVING OUR CHURCH BUILDING** The Parish Assembly heard about and discussed a number of important projects concerning the church building. These include new flooring and seating and a new disabled access ramp (architect's plans are displayed on the Parish Noticeboard). Fr Philip also invited parishioners to think about various under-used areas of the church and to consider how they might be better used. Suggestions may be e-mailed to the parish office (Address on this newsletter) Copies of the minutes of the Parish Assembly are available in the vestibule/narthex.

**WORKING WITH NEIGHBOURING PARISHES:** At the Parish Assembly Fr Philip spoke about preparing for inevitable changes and challenges in deanery and parish life due to the decline in the number of clergy. He distributed an important leaflet from the Dean, Fr Kevin. Bishop Declan has asked us all to think and pray about the situation. Clustering of parishes will soon be inevitable. Wells, Shepton Mallet, Glastonbury and Cheddar could have to share two priests. Various questions will arise concerning administration, maintaining the identity of each local community and Mass times. Copies of this leaflet are available on the Parish Noticeboard.

**SOCIAL EVENTS** An exciting parish programme of summer social events in being planned. We think there is something for everyone - and especially families and children. More details soon!

**SUMMER FETE** *The fête girls would like to say a massively humungous thank you to absolutely everyone who helped out with Saturday's tremendous event. This years summer fête could not have been such a success without our stall holders, those who donated to our stalls, the many visitors, those that prayed for the wonderful weather we had and anyone else who supported in any way at all.*

*Thank you, We are lucky to have such a fab community. If anyone has any new ideas or would like to be involved next year please speak to Lorna Kelly, Maria Mena, Nicki Hall, Peggy Macdonald or Charlotte Lythaby.*



And the rest of the parish would like to thank Lorna, Maria, Nicki, Peggy and Charlotte for their tremendous efforts in organising the fête. It was great fun and raised over £2,000! The final total will be announced as soon as possible.

**LOST PROPERTY** A black watch was left in church two weeks ago. If it is yours please claim it from Barbara Lewis in the Parish Office.

**ST BONAVENTURE** We celebrate this memorial on Wednesday. Born near Ovieto in Italy in the early thirteenth century, Bonaventure became Minister-General of the Franciscan order. He was nominated Archbishop of York but rejected the honour. He took a prominent part at the Council of Lyon summoned to effect reunion with the separated churches of the East. He was made a cardinal bishop against his will. St Bonaventure was a man of gentle courtesy, compassion and accessibility. The Catholic Parish of Bishopston in Bristol has Bonaventure as its patron. We wish them well for their patronal solemnity.



**CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS** A reminder that we regularly receive copies of *The Catholic Herald* and *The Tablet*. These are kept in a rack by the pigeonholes in the porch and they are a good way of keeping informed about events and issues in the wider Church. Can we also remind you that the newspapers are **for sale**, not for borrowing! Please put the money in the marked box by the church door.

**THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MISSAL** The various English-speaking Conferences of Catholic Bishops are in the process of giving the necessary official ratifications of the revised translation of the Roman Missal 2002. It is hoped that this translation will appear in complete form in 2010. It will be a far more accurate translation than anything we have seen for a long time. Those who read the Tablet will have had a chance, over the last 2 years, to examine the doctrinal and linguistic inadequacies of many of the presidential prayers, in the ongoing series of articles by Dom Daniel McCarthy OSB.

The other major question raised by the new translation is that of the English used. The version of the late Sixties attempted to use a folksy style, more redolent of the checkout at Tesco's than Church. The trouble with this is that in everyday life, we do not talk about eternal salvation and the effects of the Sacraments on body and soul. In fact, in normal life, we are inclined to use a more elevated language with professionals like lawyers and architects. None of us would address HM the Queen in the way we address members of our own family. Appeals to the liturgical language of our ecumenical neighbours may prove helpful. Cranmer's English is not the English of Cheapside but of Shakespeare. We will find in the revised translation a hieratic language, more suited to the worship of Almighty God. This, too, faithfully reproduces the Latin original.