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Easter V (Year C)

Sunday and Weekday Worship in Wells & Shepton

Sat 1 st May	6.00pm Vigil Mass (<i>Joe & his family</i>)
Sun 2 nd May	9.00am Solemn Mass (<i>Alvares Intention</i>) 11.00am Mass in Shepton (<i>Pro Populo</i>) 2.00pm Holy Matrimony Smith & Roberts 6.30pm Mass at All Hallows School, East Cranmore
Mon 3 rd May	SS PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles, Feast 9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC in Shepton 9.30am Mass
Tue 4 th May	English & Welsh Martyrs of the Reformation 9.15am Mass in Shepton 9.30am Mass
Wed 5 th May	Easter Feria 9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC in Shepton 9.30am Mass
Thu 6 th May	Easter Feria –Polling Day for the General Election 9.15am Mass in Shepton 9.30am Mass
Fri 7 th May	Easter Feria 9.30am Mass 7.00pm Latin Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form
Sat 8 th May	Easter Feria 9.30am Mass Noon Confessions in Shepton
Next Week: Easter VI – Rogation Sunday	
Sat 8 th May	6.00pm Vigil Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>)
Sun 9 th May	9.00am Solemn Mass 11.00am Mass in Shepton 4.00pm Annual May Devotions & Benediction 6.30pm Mass at All Hallows School, East Cranmore

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

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME Angela Vivian (2004) *Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.* May the Lord grant them eternal rest and light.

PRACTICAL MINISTRIES - ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEK

CLEANING	COFFEE	FLOWERS	WELCOMING
Becky Hughes & Jo Dymond	Veronika Borzymowski & Frankie Lambert	Molly & Lorna Kelly	6pm Helen Cox 9am The Mulvey family

Prayer for Vocations: Heavenly Father, grant the grace of a priestly and religious vocation to many. Inspire our young people to dedicate their love, strength and work to You. Bless all those who by their prayers and sacrifices help Your future priests and religious. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

In this Year of the Priest, please pray for the existing priests in our diocese, especially Fr. Nick Tranter, whose anniversary of ordination fell this last week.

9.00AM SUNDAY MASS MUSIC:

<i>Mass setting</i>	<i>Hymns</i>
Schubert's German Mass	Opening 195
Please see separate sheet	Offertory 4
	Communion Hymn 379
	Final 733

REGINA COELI - EASTER GREETING TO OUR LADY (AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS) - Tune 322

All: **Joy to thee, O queen of heaven, Alleluia**
He, Whom thou wast meet to bear, Alleluia
As He promised hath aris'n, Alleluia
Pour for us to God thy prayer, Alleluia

Priest: Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary, alleluia!

All: **For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia**

Priest: O God, by the resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, You have brought joy to the whole world. Grant that through the prayers of the Virgin Mary we may be brought to the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ Our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

This weekend there will be a second collection for the **Clergy Training Fund**. Last week's second collection for the St Barnabas Society raised £383.72 (Joint total from Wells and Shepton)



TO REFLECT ON DURING THE WEEK
– JOHN 13:31-35 When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of man glorified, and in him God is glorified; if God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' A new commandment I give to you, that you love one

another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Question of the Week: How do I try to follow Jesus' new commandment to love?

SS JOSEPH & TERESA PRIMARY SCHOOL is looking for a new Foundation Governor to begin in September. Further details from Fr Philip.

CAFOD QUIZ: A Deanery event to be held in St Mary's parish hall, Glastonbury on Saturday 29th May at 7.00pm. As well as benefitting CAFOD, it is an opportunity to bring the parishes of the deanery together. We need two teams of four participants each.

CHOIR PRACTICE WE SHALL MEET IN THE ORGAN LOFT THIS THURSDAY AT 7.00PM. NEW CHOIR MEMBERS ARE VERY WELCOME. PLEASE SPEAK TO FR PHILIP OR RUTH HUDSON.

PENTECOST RETREAT On Tuesday Friday 21st – Sunday 23rd May at the Manastery of Our Lady and St Bernard, Brownhill, Stroud GL6 8AL. There will be talks by a sister and the opportunity to participate in the monastic office. Suggested offering £80. To book please write to Bookings Secretary or phone 01453 883084 or email brownhillbookings@yahoo.co.uk

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 9TH -15TH MAY. Many thanks to those who have signed up for the House-to-House and street collection. WE do need a few more – could you find a friend to go with you? We also need a team for the Christian Aid Quiz on 19th May. All queries and suggestions to Julie Skrine 670339. Details of other Christian Aid events are on a poster on the noticeboard. Other Christian Aid events: Coffee morning on 8th May, Christian Aid Service 9th May, plant sale 11th May , Christian Aid Quiz and Supper 19th May.

BISHOP DECLAN will make a Visitation to our parish and St Michael's, Shepton Mallet over the weekend of 29th/30th May. **There will an open parish meeting with Bishop Declan in church at 4.30pm on Saturday 29th to which everyone is welcome.** Bishop Declan will celebrate the 6.00pm Mass with us and the 9.00am on Sunday (and the 11.00am at Shepton). He will have a meeting with our Pastoral Council after the 6.00pm Mass and will be meeting Shepton's Pastoral Council on the Sunday.

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY		
Sun 2nd May	Town Hall 3.00pm	Election forum
Wednesday 5 th May	Church 7.30pm	Training & refresher session for Ministers of Communion
Fri 7 th May	Church 6-7pm	Prayers in Reparation & Healing & Benediction
Sat 8 th May	Methodist Church 10am - 12	Coffee morning for Christian Aid
Sun 9th May	4.00pm Church	May Devotion & Benediction
Sun 9th May	Methodist Church 6.30pm	Christian Aid Service
Tue 11 th May	Bury Orchard, Beryl Lane 6pm	Plant sale & Cheese & Wine for Christian Aid
Thursday 13 th May	Church 7.30pm	Training & refresher session for Ministers of Communion
Fri 14 th May	Church 6.00-7.00pm	Prayers in atonement & Benediction
Sat 15 th May	Church 11.00am	CWL AGM and Mass
Saturday 15 th May	Church 6pm Mass	Parish celebration of Confirmation candidates
Tues 18 th May	St Mary's Glastonbury	Deanery Confirmation
Wed 19 th May	St Thomas Church Hall	Quiz evening for Christian Aid
Fri 21 st May	Church 6.00-7.00pm	Prayers of healing & Benediction
Fri 28 th May	Church 6.00-7.00pm	Prayers of healingt & Benediction
Sat. 29th May	Church 4.30pm	Parish meeting with Bishop Declan followed by Mass at 6pm
Sat 29 th May	St Mary's Glastonbury 7.00pm	CAFOD quiz
Sun 30th May	Church 9.00am	Mass with Bishop Declan
Sun 30th May	St Michael's 11.00am	Mass with Bishop Declan
Fri 11 th June	Clifton Cathedral 11.00am Solemnity of the Sacred Heart	Concluding Mass for the Year of the Priest with Bishop Declan.
Sun 13 th June	Church	First Holy Communion
Sat 3 rd July	School field	Summer Fête
Wed. 22 nd Sept.	Church 7.30pm	Lecture by Fr. Nicholas King SJ

WELCOMING MINISTRY Another welcomer is needed to join the rota for the 6pm Mass. If you would be willing to do this please contact Jan Doyle (675062) or Barbara Lewis in the parish office.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY Two further parish training and refresher sessions for Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion and those preparing for this service of the Church will be held on **Wednesday, 5th May** and **Thursday 13th May** from 7.30 to 8.30pm. It is essential to have attended one of these sessions if you wish to be (re-) commissioned. Commissioning will take place on the Feast of Corpus Christi, 5th /6th June.

PASCHAL DEVOTION TO MARY & THE MONTH OF MAY



To mark the start of the month, we shall sing a marian hymn to conclude our 9.00am Mass. We shall then celebrate our annual May Devotion at 4.00pm on **Sunday 9th May**. We shall crown Our Lady's statue with flowers and allow her to lead us to her Beloved Son in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

PRAYERS FOR REPARATION & HEALING Copies of the statement by the Bishops of England and Wales on the issue of child abuse in the Church were distributed last week. Bishop Declan has asked that every parish observes the four Fridays in May as special days of prayers in atonement. **We will make these the first 4 of a novena of Fridays. Exposition at 6.00pm with Novena Prayers to St John Vianney, patron of priests, silent adoration and Benediction just before 7.00pm. The Traditional Latin Mass follows at 7.00pm. [A Novena is 9 days of prayer, in imitation of the Apostles between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday]**

NOAH'S ARK PRE-SCHOOL was founded by parishioner Jill Burden and is located in the grounds of our Primary School. It takes children from 2 ½ to 5 and is able to support children with learning disabilities and children who are learning English as an additional language. The Management Committee is currently in the very first stages of trying to build new premises and desperately needs volunteer help from professional people. If you have some spare time and expertise and think you could help the Management Committee to get this project off the ground please contact Mrs Sinead Moore on 07749 751370 or the Parish Lay Vice- Chairman, Peter Baxter (674234, peter.baxter@bestyearyet.com)



WORLD YOUTH DAY On Tuesday 4th May, there will be an information evening for World Youth Day Madrid 2011 in St George's Taunton at 6.30pm. This will last no more than a couple of hours. Already more than half the places are filled and there are only 23 left. If you would like to find out more about the diocesan pilgrimage we have details in the parish office – or phone Ronnie Mitchinson on 0117 9025595

A SPARKLING CHURCH The week before last the church was cleaned twice with the result that last week the church, come Saturday, was looking far from clean and tidy. Fortunately some of the First Communion Class came to the rescue and did a quick sweep. Would the happy band of cleaners please note that their week **starts at the date listed**, rather than ends at that date. It is a case of '**week beginning**'. Father understandably would prefer if the church was cleaned as soon after Sunday as possible, especially when there are other services scheduled for during the week. If you are not already doing a Martha act and would be willing to have your name added to the list of volunteers do please drop a note into Jan Doyle's pigeon-hole.

ROGATION-TIDE This terminology may not be known to all our parishioners. In times long past, there were processions around the fields and farm yards of a parish to beseech the Lord's blessing on human work. Today we would want to add factories, shops and schools to the places of work mentioned in older church books. Rogare is the Latin verb to ask, request or beseech. It is actually very appropriate even today to pray for the world of work in which so many of us find ourselves, and provides an opportunity to pray for those still seeking employment. The Rogation Prayers and Processions were originally held on St Mark's Day 25th April and from Sunday to Wednesday before the Ascension. If any parishioners seriously wants rogation prayers at a farm or business in the area, please contact the Parish Priest or Fr. McAuley.

SCHOOL 100 CLUB

January winners: £5 S Goodwin, b McAvoy, J and G Andrews, Dr P Trafford. £50 Mr and Mrs Gibson

February winners

£5 N Hall, Mrs R White, L Owen, B Hughs.£100 F Duddy

March winners

£5 F Moreland, P Beasley, J and A Owen, M Dathan

£50 Dr J Balfour