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## Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

### Sunday and Weekday Worship in Wells & Shepton

Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Noon Confessions in Shepton 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.00am Solemn Mass 11.00am Mass () in Shepton 6.30pm Mass at All Hallows School, East Cranmore
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<u>Feria of Week 6</u> 9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC in Shepton 9.30am Mass ()
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<u>Feria</u> 9.15am Mass () in Shepton 9.30am Mass ()
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY – Fasting and Abstinence</b> 9.30am Mass & Ashing () Noon Ashing & Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form 7.30pm Mass & Ashing () in Shepton
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<u>Lenten Feria</u> 9.15am Mass () in Shepton 9.30am Mass ()
Fri 19 <sup>h</sup> Feb	<u>Lenten Feria</u> Liturgy of the Word and HC at Shepton 9.30am Mass (Ron Duncan RIP) 7.00pm Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form
Sat 20 <sup>h</sup> Feb	<u>Lenten Feria</u> 9.30am Mass ( ) Noon Confessions in Shepton
<b>Next Week: First Sunday in Lent</b>	
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	9.00am Solemn Mass 11.00am Mass () in Shepton 6.30pm Mass at All Hallows School, East Cranmore
<b>Confessions</b> 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	

**ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME** Alfred Pledger (1997), Mary Smitheringale (1989), Margaret Oatley (1991), Daniel Ring (1999), Elizabeth Atkinson (1998), Daniel O'Connor (2001), Hilda Bannerman (2006), *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
Sandra Jameson, Beatriz Wade & Jo Sheldrake	Philippa Phillips & Caroline Hudson	No flowers in Lent	6pm The Wade ladies 9am Richard Elsom

**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.

### 9.00AM SUNDAY MASS MUSIC:

<i>Mass setting</i>	<i>Hymns</i>
<b>Kyrie Said</b>	<b>Opening 15, verses 1-4</b>
<b>Gloria 409</b>	<b>Offertory 37</b>
<b>Sanctus 433</b>	<b>Communion 43, vv 1,2,3,5</b>
<b>Memorial Acclamation 435</b>	<b>Final 15, verses 5-7</b>
<b>Agnus Dei 452</b>	

*Please note that the Gloria response will be sung in full by the choir before we all repeat it, as with the Responsorial Psalm*

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES - FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> TO FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST.** Bishop Declan invites us to join him on pilgrimage to Lourdes with a number of other dioceses, Stonyhurst College and the Carmelites. If enough people express interest, a coach and hotel accommodation can be arranged to keep costs down. Please contact the Revd. Deacon David Wakefield for more information 07711 834800, [Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com), 68 Eastleigh Road, Devizes SN10 3EH. If you would like to learn more about what a diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes is like, speak to parishioner Nell Atkin (674915) who has been on a number of occasions.

**HEARING DISADVANTAGED?** If you can operate the loop on your hearing aid, and don't do so usually, you would be excited by the excellent reception that the loop in the church provides

Last week's collection this weekend for **Reaching the Unreached** raised £158.59

This weekend there is a collection for **Clifton Children's Society**

**TO PONDER OVER DURING THE WEEK – Luke 6:17.20-26** And



Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you that

hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. "Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. "Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. "But woe to you that are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you that are full now, for you shall hunger. "Woe to you that laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. "Woe to you, when all men speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets."

***Question of the week:*** Do I still feel blessed when I am at my lowest?

**LIVING YOUR FAITH: SUMMER CAMPS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

At Our Lady's Homestead, Nympsfield, Gloucestershire. These have been running for a number of years and are very popular. There will be two camps: 9th-13<sup>th</sup> August for ages 7-11 and 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> August for ages 12-16. For more information contact [allinsonsiobhan@hotmail.com](mailto:allinsonsiobhan@hotmail.com).

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ**

17-26 July 2010. If you are aged between 16 and 30 why not go to Taize with others from the diocese and experience this unique form of music and prayer in its original setting? You will have the opportunity to make new friends, find out more about yourself and discover more about God. Cost around £200. For further information contact Fr Kevin Hennessey [ourlady.churchdown@cliffondiocese.com](mailto:ourlady.churchdown@cliffondiocese.com).

**CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCH**

at the Seager Hall on Monday 22 February from 12 .00-1.30. We need 10 volunteers to provide 4 pints of home-made vegetable soup. There is a sign-up sheet on the Community Outreach Board. The cost of the lunch will be £3 to include soup, filled roll of either tuna fish or cheese and tea or coffee. Please bring the soup to the Seager Hall at 10am. If you have any queries please contact Florinda Hansom on 677061.

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY		
Monday 15 February	Church 7.30pm	Journey of Faith meeting
Tuesday 16 February	Church 7.30pm	Gospel Enquiry
<b>Wednesday 17 Feb</b>		<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
<b>Sun 21 February</b>	<b>Church 6.30pm</b>	<b>United Service</b>
Wed 24 February	Denning Room, Union St	Ecumenical prayer meeting
Monday 22 Feb	Seager Hall 12.00-1.30pm	Christian Aid Lent Lunch
Fri 26 February		CAFOD LENT FAST DAY
Fri 5 March	St Cuthbert's 10.30am	Women's World Day of Prayer
Sat 13 March	Seager Hall 9.30am – 1pm	Garden Fair
Tuesday 18 May	St Mary's Glastonbury	Deanery Confirmation
Saturday 29 May	Church	Visitation by Bishop Declan
Wed. 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Church 7.30pm	Lecture by Fr. Nicholas King SJ

**JOURNEY OF FAITH** Three, possibly five, adults have so far expressed interest in starting this process towards becoming members of the Catholic Church. We ask for your prayers as we now take the next step on the journey. An information evening for all those who are interested will be held in the church at **7.30pm this Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February** when we will outline what we are offering as a parish community to those who wish to follow this Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. **This is an open meeting, so if you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church or wish to help in any way, please make an effort to attend. You will be most welcome**



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY: HALF-TERM BREAK** Please note that because of half-term there will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word for the next two Sundays: 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> February .

**"LOVE FOR THE FUTURE": ECUMENICAL LENT STUDY COURSE** A last chance to join. There will be 6 weekly sessions, starting next week. Contact Robin White on 673550; [robin.white@talktalk.net](mailto:robin.white@talktalk.net)

**THE PROMISE OF NEW LIFE:** The Triduum seen through Word and Symbol. A day of preparation for Easter led by Fr Christopher Whitehead, Saturday 13 March, 10.30am -3.00pm, at St Nicholas of Tolentino, Bristol BS5 ORE. Further details and application forms on the Spiritual Development noticeboard or contact [ronnie.mitchinson@cliffondiocese.com](mailto:ronnie.mitchinson@cliffondiocese.com)

**JOURNEYING THROUGH LENT WITH LUKE** As usual this Lent, parishioners will be meeting weekly in church to reflect on the Gospel for the coming Sunday. **All are welcome. Let's see more than the usual suspects!!** We call this 'Gospel Enquiry' but there is nothing dry or academic about it. We could have called it Gospel Exploration! We aim to share our thoughts about what the Gospel means to us and how it helps us to know the mind of Christ. We begin each evening with coffee. After an opening prayer and a reading of the Gospel passage from the Lectionary, an experienced leader (someone different each week) gives a brief reflection on the passage which then leads to general discussion. Each session lasts about an hour. Why not make these evenings part of your Lenten preparation this year? **We shall meet together in church each Tuesday at 7.30pm starting next Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> February.**

**WORLD YOUTH DAY: MADRID 2011 JOURNÉE MONDIALE DE LA JEUNESSE** This is not a day but a fortnight – the largest youth event in the world, started by Pope John Paul II as a way of gathering young people from all over the world and building bridges of faith and hope between continents, people and cultures. We are hoping to encourage young people of our parish to join the diocesan party. More information shortly!



**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER** Alternate Thursdays at 2.00pm at Abbey House, Chilkwell Street, Glastonbury. Next meeting 25<sup>th</sup> February. There will be a short introduction from the Desert Fathers, St Benedict, St Ignatius of Loyola, St Teresa of Avila and more...Followed by half an hour's silence, after which there will be an opportunity for sharing. For further information contact Helen Marquis (01458 831267)

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD: READERS' ROTA** A new rota is being prepared. It would be helpful if readers would indicate any dates when they will not be available to read. Please sign the list on the Liturgy noticeboard or email [ssjosephtheresa@cliffondiocese.com](mailto:ssjosephtheresa@cliffondiocese.com). The new rota will cover Easter, although the exact times of the Triduum and of Easter Day Masses have yet to be decided.

**CLIFTON CHILDRE'S SOCIETY** Bishop Declan has designated this weekend for the Annual Appeal for Clifton Children's Society. Because of changes to its constitution, our money will not support Gay adoption, since this contradicts the teaching of the Church.

**UNITED SERVICE** On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February we shall be host to our Christian brothers and sisters from around Wells for worship together in the evening at 6.30pm. Besides glorifying God, the aim is to allow others to become more familiar with what Catholics do (just as we seek to increase our understanding and tolerance of our neighbours when we attend their services) We are all woefully ignorant of how our neighbours worship. If we are truly to find unity in diversity, we have to find out how one faith can be expressed many ways. Nor shall we discover that One Faith unless we are prepared to leave our comfort zones and share with one another. Please consider hard, attending church a second time on the same Sunday. It will not injure health, but could well be good for the soul!

**CAFOD: 50 YEARS OF GIVING AT LENT** Family Fast Days have raised over £65 million in the last 50 years. They were founded by the CWL and the UCM. CAFOD grew out of them. The days have changed their names but not their purpose. Just imagine how many people that has helped around the world. This year, as an alternative to the single fast day, CAFOD is asking us to 'give it up' during the 6 weeks of Lent. So why not give up something for Lent and donate the money you save to CAFOD? You can create some amazing changes for people who live in the developing world. Giving up your favourite biscuits for instance could go towards a bicycle helping a health volunteer take food to orphaned children. As well as 'give it up' envelopes which will be available in the church throughout Lent there is a take-home money box for you to collect your spare change. Whatever we choose to give up really can help to transform people's lives overseas.



**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am at St Cuthbert's Church. *Let Everything that has breath praise God.* Everyone welcome (including men!)

**ASH WEDNESDAY** Only twice in the year are we all asked to undertake fasting and abstinence. Fasting means reducing considerably the amount we eat and abstinence is avoiding flesh meats. Modern man and woman can be contemptuous of such discipline. Some will say that our children and young people do not want to do this. Perhaps we owe them an explanation. Maybe we should consider this piece of self-discipline as a badge of our belonging to the Catholic Church, something distinctive of our membership. It may be more important to our spiritual health than the sign of blessed ash on our foreheads.