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## SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

### Sunday and Weekday Worship in Wells

Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 6.00pm Vigil Mass  
 Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 9.00am Solemn Mass  
 Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov **COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)**  
 9.30am Mass ( )  
**7.30pm Mass**  
 Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Feria 31  
 9.30am Mass ( )  
 Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Nov St Charles Borromeo  
**11am Funeral Requiem Mass for Gabriele Hudson**  
 Thu 5<sup>th</sup> Nov Feria  
 9.30am Mass ( )  
 Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Feria  
 9.30am Mass in church ( )  
 7.00pm Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form  
 Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov Our Lady on Saturday  
 9.30am Mass ( )

### Next Week: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 6.00pm Vigil Mass (*David Armstrong - Anni*)  
 Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.00am Solemn Mass

**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

This weekend there will be a second collection for **Reaching the Unreached.**

This is a cause which the parish has supported for many years. RTU is a registered UK charity, set up to support work amongst orphaned children and poor villagers in a small area west of Madurai in India's southernmost state of Tamil Nadu. RTU was founded by Brother James Kimpton who – now in his eighties – is still actively involved with the work as President of RTU in India.



**ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME** Nigel Carter (2008), Patrick Creighton (1997), George Reid (2004), David Armstrong ((2007), Doris Michael (1995), Joseph Baraniecki (1995), Bridget White (1991) *Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.* May the Lord grant them eternal rest and light.

### Worship in Shepton

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS  
 11.00am Mass ( )  
 6.30pm Mass at All Hallows' Prep School, ( )  
 Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov **ALLSOULS**  
 9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC  
**6pm Mass**  
 Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Feria  
 9.15am Mass  
 Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Nov St Charles Borromeo  
 9.15 am Liturgy of the Word and HC  
 Thu 5<sup>th</sup> Nov Feria  
 9.15am Mass  
 Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Nov Feria  
 9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC  
 Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov Confessions  
 Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Nov **Thirty--second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 11.00am Mass ( )  
 6.30pm Mass at All Hallows' Prep School, ( )

### PRACTICAL MINISTRIES - ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEK

CLEANING	COFFEE	FLOWERS	WELCOMING
Sophie Wells & Ella Broderick	Charlotte Lythaby & Maria Mena	Molly & Loma Kelly	6pm Margaret Graham 9am Barbara Duncan

**NEW TO THE PARISH?** You are very welcome. Please make yourself known, and, if you are attending the 9am Mass, do please join us for coffee afterwards. It would be helpful to us if you would fill in one of the yellow registration forms in the porch

Notices for the newsletter should be sent to the parish email address [ssjosephteresa@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:ssjosephteresa@cliftondiocese.com) by 10am on Friday . If handwritten, they should be left in the newsletter pigeonhole in the church porch or handed in to the parish office in the presbytery.

**TO PONDER OVER DURING THE WEEK – Matthew 5 :1-12**



Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. "Blessed are the

peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

***Question of the week:*** Who have I known who is pure of heart and a peacemaker, and how have they influenced me in my life?

**MARY, WOMAN OF HOPE: A DAY OF PRAYER** This will take place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December from 10am to 4pm in the peaceful setting of Woodchester Convent, Stroud GL5 5HS. Why not take a day away from the busy Christmas preparations in order to make an Advent retreat in readiness for Christmas? Limited places available. In the past such days have proved very popular so please book early. Suggested donation of £5. Application forms are on the Spiritual Development noticeboard or telephone Ronnie Mitchinson at the Diocese: 0117 9025595 or email [Ronnie.mitchinson@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:Ronnie.mitchinson@clifftondiocese.com)

**MONASTIC GUESTHOUSE** The Monastery of Our Lady and St Bernard, Brwonshill, Stroud has reopened its guesthouse after major renovation works. Individuals and groups are invited to share the peace of this beautiful corner of the Cotswolds. Telephone 01453 883084 or visit [www.bernadine.com](http://www.bernadine.com).

**FORTHCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Church 2pm	CWL meeting
<b>Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Church 10.15am</b>	<b>Parish Assembly</b>
<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>St Thomas' 6.30pm</b>	<b>United Service for Remembrance Day</b>
Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Church	Requiem for the clergy, religious and laity of the Deanery
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St Cuthbert's 7.30pm	Ecumenical Society of Mary
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Seager Hall 9am – noon	Ecumenical Morning of Prayer
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Seager Hall 7.45 for 8pm	Ecumenical Bring and share social evening
<b>Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Town Hall</b>	<b>Christmas Bazaar</b>
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Woodchester Convent	Mary, Woman of Hope: A Day of Prayer

**CAKES FOR SALE!** After Mass **this Sunday**, 1<sup>st</sup> November there will be a stall selling cakes made by members of CWL. Proceeds will go to the charities supported by the Catholic Women's Guild

**9.00AM SUNDAY MASS MUSIC**

*Hymns*

**Opening hymn 176 verses 1-4**

**Presentation 610**

**Communion 88**

**Recessional 176 verses 5-8**

***Mass setting: See separate sheet***

Organ voluntary: 'Siyahamba'.

Arranged by John Behnke.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** We shall meet in the organ loft this Thursday at 7pm. **New choir members are very welcome.** Please speak to Fr Philip or Ruth Hudson.

**PARISH ASSEMBLY**

**NEXT SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT 10.15AM**

We will hear a summary of your thoughts and opinions expressed in our recent parish questionnaire, the themes emerging and how these fit with Bishop Declan's vision for parishes expressed in his document *Called to be a People of Hope*.

**ALL WELCOME!**

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2010

Fr Philip and the catechists team are planning the programme of preparation for children (in Year 3 or upwards) who will receive their First Holy Communion next year. Parents should complete an application form which is available from the Parish Administrative Assistant, Barbara Lewis, in the Parish Office (Wednesdays and Fridays 10am – 4pm).



## ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November** **in the Town Hall.**

Please continue to put good quality contributions in the boxes provided .

And think about what promises you can offer for the ‘Silent Auction’ (John Mulvey is waiting to hear from you)

And please remember to bring back your Grand Draw conterfoils and money!

PIGEONHOLES IN CHURCH PORCH Please would EVERYONE look in their pigeonhole and see if there is anything for them. And if you see something for someone you see regularly but who isn't at Mass please would you take it for them. We must try and clear the pigeonholes before the Christmas card rush! A number of people who kindly participate in the various ministries – cleaning, welcoming, reading etc – still haven't collected the latest rotas.

CWL The next meeting of CWL will be in the Church at 2 p.m. on Monday 2nd November. All ladies of the Parish are welcome to join us.

DOORWAY Coming soon – please look out for a lovely selection of Christmas cards, the sale of which will raise funds for local work with the homeless and addicted.

CHRISTIANS WORKING TOGETHER There will be an ecumenical service for Remembrance Sunday on 8<sup>th</sup> November at St Thomas'. Other services, prayer mornings and social evenings are planned to which all are welcome. The prayer mornings run from 9am to noon and the idea is that people drop in for as long as they wish. The next one will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

BLUE SCHOOL VISITS: HELP NEEDED Every year Year 8 pupils from the Blue School visit our church as part of their religious education programme. Fr Philip will welcome them on Monday 16 and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November but we need someone who would be willing to do this on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November. The children have a booklet and the teachers guide them in what to look for but the welcomer will be required to explain a little about the Catholic faith. Three groups of children will visit each day. If you feel you might be able to help with this please speak to Fr Philip who will tell you more about what is involved.

### ST MARGARET'S HOSPICE, CHRISTMAS FAIR

Wednesday 4 November  
at Wells Town Hall,  
9.30am – 3.30pm



FAIRTRADE FESTIVE MARKET This will be held in the Seager Hall, Union Street on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 10am to 12.30pm

ECUMENICAL SOCIETY OF MARY Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Evensong and Rosary at St Cuthbert's Church.

### THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

St Charles Borromeo 1538-84. Born of an aristocratic family, Charles was the nephew of Pope Pius IV. It is said that he would have preferred the simple life of a monk to the grandeur of the papal court but he was to become very influential in the final session of the Council of Trent and in drafting the catechism. He became a priest and bishop and had considerable influence on the Counter Reformation. He was active in relieving hardship during two famines in Milan.



