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MOST HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY

Sunday and Weekday Worship in Wells

Sat 6th June 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday (*Janet Woodward RIP*)
 Sun 7th June 9.00am Solemn Mass in Wells (*Pro Populo*)
 Mon 8th June Feria of Week 10
 9.30am Mass (The Parish Priest's intentions)
 Tue 9th June Feria
 9.30am Mass (
 Wed 10th June Feria
 9.30am Mass (
 Thu 11th June St Barnabas the Apostle
 9.30am Mass (
7.00pm Corpus Christi Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form ()
 Fri 12th June Feria
 9.30am Mass (
 Sat 13th June St Anthony of Lisbon/Padua
 9.30am Mass ()

Next Sunday: Corpus et Sanguis Christi – The Body and Blood of Christ

Sat 13th June 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday (*Janet Woodward RIP*)
Sun 14th June 11.00am First Holy Communion Mass in Wells
(Pro Populo)

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

Worship in Shepton

Sun 6th June Most Holy Trinity
 11.00am Mass
 Mon 8th June Feria of Week 10
 9.15am Liturgy of the Word and HC
 Tue 9th June Feria
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 Noon Confessions
Sun 14th June Corpus et Sanguis Christi
9.00am Mass ()

WELCOMING More welcomers are needed on Saturday evenings – specifically to fill the slot of Jimmy and Lilian Duffin who, after many years of very faithful service to our parish, are prevented by ill health from attending Mass. Please pray for them and if you think you could take on the important role of welcomer please contact Jan Doyle (675062) or Barbara Lewis

PRACTICAL MINISTRIES: ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEK 8 – 14 June

CLEANING Caroline Hutton & Helen Wainwright	COFFEE Jean Rowland & Peggy McDonald	FLOWERS Brenda Titchen & Heather Rossi	WELCOMING 6pm VACANCY 9am Dereck & Brenda Titchen
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MUSIC FOR 9AM MASS

Hymns: *Mass setting: Murray's 'New People's Mass'*
Entrance - See separate sheet
Presentation 257
Communion 259
Final hymn 738

YOUR CHOIR NEEDS YOU! We are looking for new choir members – male and female, young and not so young, experienced and inexperienced. The

This weekend there will be a collection for the Clergy Retirement Fund.

Next weekend: Reaching the Unreached

ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME Edward Nowell 1999, James Power 2008, Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

READERS' ROTAS: Please remember to collect the new rotas for June and July from your pigeonholes now.

aim is to have a short practice once a week to develop skills and thus to grow into a confident choir. Please speak to Fr Philip or Ruth Hudson.

TO PONDER OVER DURING THE WEEK Matthew 28:16-20



Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Question of the week: 'Body and Blood'. In what ways am I nourished week by week by his everlasting gift?

GOSPEL ENQUIRY: Next Thursday 11th June at **8.00pm** we shall meet to discuss the gospel reading for next Sunday – the Body and Blood of Christ – **led by Fr. Philip**. The emphasis is on sharing thoughts and insights. Photocopied sheets will be provided. ALL WELCOME

NEXT PARISH LECTURE On Wednesday 15 July at 7.30 pm Fr Patrick Eastman will give a lecture on *Thomas Merton: A wellspring of wisdom as a guide for living today*. This promises to be a fascinating evening. Thomas Merton was one of the key figures in 20th century Catholic spirituality; he died 40 years ago and his message is as relevant today as ever it was. Fr Eastman is a well-known authority on Merton and this promises to be a thought-provoking and spiritually enhancing evening. All are welcome.

COMING SOON - CATECHETICS CERTIFICATE COURSE
Details of an innovative diocesan course for parish catechists will be in next week's newsletter – and see poster on Catechetics noticeboard

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Parents and friends – there is a wide selection of First Communion cards and gifts on the Doorway stall. This is a good opportunity for you to give the children a devotional memory of their important day and to offer support to those whose lives have been distorted by drugs and alcohol. Please do visit the stall after Mass. Thank you. *Ruth Hudson*

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sat 13 th June	10.30am St Bede's College, Bristol	'Fanning the Flames' Day on Evangelisation
Sun 14th June	11.00am Church*	Corpus Christi Mass with First Holy Communions
Sat 27 th June	10.15am Church	Parish Assembly
Saturday 4 th July	School field	Summer Fête
Friday 9th July	Langport C of E	Deanery Ministries Mass
Sunday 12 th July	2.00pm Glastonbury Abbey Grounds	Diocesan Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Glastonbury
Wed 15 th July	7.30pm Church	Lecture on Thomas Merton OCSO
Sun 11 th - Thurs 15 th October	Walsingham	Parish pilgrimage

***Please note the change of Mass time next Sunday morning. Mass will be at 11am here and 9am at St Michael's, Shepton Mallet**

VACANCY FOR SCHOOL GOVERNORS Vacancies have arisen for 2 foundation governors of St Joseph and Teresa Primary School, Wells. Applications are invited from members of the parishes within the school catchment area, namely Wells, Shepton Mallet, Glastonbury and Cheddar. The only qualification is that a foundation governor must be a Catholic [practicing]. Applications should be in writing and sent to Fr Philip Thomas, The Presbytery, 16 Chamberlain St, Wells BA5 2PF by 30 June 2009. Queries about what is involved in being a governor are welcome and should be addressed to me (until 7 June) or to the head teacher, Mrs Penny Stedman at the school (tel. 678791) *Roger Bird, Chair of Governors (tel 01749 675109)*

DEAR TRADICRAFT SUPPORTERS, The stall this month will be held on the 18th and 19th June, rather than the 2nd weekend of 13th and 14th which would be the usual date, because of First Communion. The church will be very crowded that weekend so we didn't want to add to the crush. This gives you an opportunity to write up your grocery lists and come prepared. Please look through your catalogues and let me know on 01749-677038 if you would like to order anything special from them. We will be having a stall at the Summer Fete for sweets, chocolates and biscuits only. Remember that the fresh fruit season is coming so you will want to stock up on sugar and other jam making ingredients. Thank you for your continued support for all these producers. Sharon

SOCIETY OF MARY LOCAL BRANCH The Branch will meet on Thursday 11th June at 12.30pm, St Patrick's Chapel in the Gatehouse, Glastonbury Abbey. Rosary plus mid-day office with a picnic lunch to follow.

PARISH ASSEMBLY Saturday 27 June at 10.15 am in church. Everyone is invited to the next of our regular whole parish meetings. Fr Philip, members of the Pastoral Council and the Treasurer will report on recent developments in parish life – and there will be an update on our project for a new disabled access. While the Parish Assembly is not a decision-making body, it is a forum for discussion and provides an opportunity for parishioners to ask questions and express views. ALL WELCOME!

NOAH'S ARK PRE-SCHOOL - is appealing for volunteers from the parish to fill the roles of Chairperson and Treasurer to begin in September 2009 (or sooner if possible). Recently the roles have been filled on a short term basis. We would welcome volunteers who might be able to offer a longer term commitment as this would provide consistency and stability for the pre school.

The Chairperson is mainly responsible for overseeing the committee and for chairing meetings as well as employing staff and working with them to ensure OFSTED requirements are met. The Treasurer is mainly responsible for keeping records of income and expenditure and ensuring prompt payment of staff. The committee currently meets once every half term. If you think you might be interested, please contact the current Chairperson, Lorraine Kingsford on 677604

GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE Sunday 12th July. The theme of this year's pilgrimage is 'Mary, Woman of Hope'. The rosary procession starts at 2pm in the Abbey grounds. Mass will be at 3.30pm and will include a sacramental anointing of the sick.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2009

Bishop Declan invites us to join him on the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 21st -28th August. Clifton joins four other dioceses, Stoneyhurst College and the Carmelites for this pilgrimage. Further information from Deacon David Wakefield, 01380 720916, email: 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 .



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM Sunday 11th – Thursday 15th October. Fr Philip has reserved accommodation for 20 people at

Elmham House in Walsingham. There is a brochure and sign-up sheet on the 'Social Events' noticeboard. The cost for Bed and Breakfast plus travel will be £110 per person. For further information please speak to Fr Philip.

"YOUR FETE NEEDS YOU!!!!!" Are you going to Wells Market Square strawberries, cherries and TIME
Do you have a jam making flare
Elderflowers, gooseberries and TIME
Our fete provisions are looking bare
jams, cordials, chutneys and TIME
homemade preserves are so special and rare
so please can you make a jar or 9!!!!
For the soon to be here Summer Fair
(sorry 9 fitted so well with my rhyme)
ANY NUMBER YOU CAN MANAGE WILL BE FANTASTIC

WANTED - all your old but lovely children's clothes to be sold on Frankie's Nearly New Stall Please only give the good, the clean and even the ugly but, please only clean and children's clothing wanted. Thank you so very much in supporting your summer Fete.

FATHERS' DAY & FATHERS As Catholics we usually honour fathers and father-figures on the Solemnity of St Joseph our patron. This always falls on 19th March, with another lesser bash on 1st May for Joseph the Worker. That said, the secular world around us has been persuaded by American card manufacturers and others that the first Sunday in June is Fathers' Day. Accordingly we wish all fathers and father-figures in our congregation a happy day.



Although he is called "Father", the priest is not usually someone's dad. It is customary to remember him not on Father's Day or St Joseph's day, but on the anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. We all know a good number of priests. If they work in Clifton this date can be found in the diocesan year book. The Holy Father has designated the period from the Eve of Sacred Heart this year to the Feast of St John Vianney 2010 [patron saint of parish priests] a **Year of Priests**. The Pope will preside at First Vespers of the Sacred Heart in Rome on Thursday 18th June to launch this event. Diocesan and Religious priests are all included. Even those who have departed this life can be prayed for with



thanksgiving. Naturally, this is a particularly good time to pray for and to nourish priestly vocations. We all want a Mass on Sunday, don't we, and every priest is someone's brother, son, uncle or neighbour!!