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ST. CATHARINE OF ALEXANDRIA FROME & ST. DOMINIC'S CHAPEL MELLS

10TH JANUARY 2021

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

ALL MASSES AND SERVICES, UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE, WILL BE LIVE STREAMED FROM OUR WEBSITE
WWW.STCATHARINES.CO.UK.

THEY WILL ALSO BE SAVED AFTERWARDS, SO YOU CAN ACCESS AT ANY TIME THAT SUITS YOU BEST.

The church is sadly not open for private prayer during this time of Covid high alert. We will update here as soon as there is any change.

Sunday 10th January 11.00am Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (People of the Parish) **OPEN**

Monday 11th January No MASS

Tuesday 12th January No MASS

Wednesday 13th January 7.00pm Weekday in Ordinary Time **OPEN** (Theresa Chisholm's Intentions)

Thursday 14th January 10.00am Weekday in Ordinary Time (Lavinia Mowbray RIP)

Friday 15th January 11.00am Weekday in Ordinary Time (Andrew Sanders RIP)

Saturday 16th January 11.00am Weekday in Ordinary Time (Tony and Michael O'Brien RIP)

Please note that the Saturday 5.30pm Mass will not now take place and the 11am Sunday Mass will be livestreamed but not open to the public. As of the weekend all Masses going forward will be live streamed but closed to the public, however this will be kept under close review.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES AT ST. DOMINIC'S CHAPEL, MELLS - All Masses are suspended until further notice.

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

I am saddened that I cannot, at this time, receive You sacramentally.

I welcome you spiritually into my heart.

I embrace your presence within me.

Please keep me and all my loved ones safe in your embrace; help me and them to avoid anything that may lead us to turn away from You or each other.

Amen.

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SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS – In the light of the restrictions imposed because of the Coronavirus you are reminded that the obligation to attend Sunday and Holyday Masses has ceased because of difficulties and limitations surrounding attendance.

PRAYERS FOR SISTER ELIZABETH EMETT RIP - Please pray for Sister Elizabeth Emmett, who died last Sunday evening. Sr. Elizabeth was deputy head teacher at St Louis School from 1978 to 1982 or 3. Some parishioners may well remember her. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

PRAYERS FOR DARKA SELAR RIP: Please pray for the soul of Darka Selar who passed away on 16th December 2020, and whose funeral will take place on Tuesday at East hill Cemetery. Our condolences to her husband, Bruno, and all the family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

RESPOND TO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CONSULTATION TO STOP HOME ABORTIONS - The Department of Health is holding a public consultation on whether to continue the practice of allowing abortion providers to send abortion pills to women so that they can perform their own abortion at home. We need as many pro-life people as possible to complete the Department of Health's questionnaire in order to help stop dangerous DIY abortions becoming permanent. SPUC has prepared a briefing which gives a step by step guide to completing the consultation questionnaire. Please go to <https://www.spuc.org.uk/Get-Involved/Campaigns/England-DIY-Abortion-Consultation> The consultation ends on 26 February 2021.

A PRAYER FROM RIGHT TO LIFE UK – “As we celebrate the baptism of our Lord, we recall our own baptism and the promise of life we have gained through it. We pray that all would be given the opportunity to experience life in its fullness, both in this world and the next. Lord hear us.”

COULD YOU BE A SCHOOL GOVERNOR? Clifton Diocese is seeking to recruit people to serve on school governing bodies. If you believe in Catholic education, have enthusiasm and commitment, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing body of a Catholic school. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, for the benefit of the children in our schools. Please visit <https://cliftondiocese.com/news/could-you-be-a-school-governor/> for more information and to complete an online nomination form or contact bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com or 07710094976 – he would be delighted to hear from you. Your support for our schools would be much appreciated.

RETRouvaille – A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES - Covid 19—a very challenging time for many marriages. So much uncertainty around, health, income, employment, vulnerable family members, children, housing. Different ways of seeing things, coping with change, managing fears can be a source of conflict and stress. It can be difficult to talk, to listen to support and comfort when there is so much uncertainty. Being together all the time, brings even more challenges. You just can't cope, would be better apart you wonder.

Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples, it brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriageand you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! For confidential information about Retrouvaille', or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing on 25th- 28th February 2021, call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443.

Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com – or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

A BIG THANK YOU: Many thanks for all the kind cards and gifts received over Christmas. Thank you, too, for the very generous Christmas offerings. They are all much appreciated. God bless you all. Fr. Richard.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY – Evangelisation: Human Fraternity

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That the Lord will give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH - if you would like to make a donation to our parish during this time, you can still do so using the donate button on our website. We are also now able to take donations over the telephone using credit or debit cards. If you would like to use this option please email Anna with your name and contact number (email address below) or call the parish office on 01373 462705 and leave your name and telephone number. Another alternative is by cheque payable to "St Catharine's Parish, Frome" posted to the presbytery or dropped through the letterbox. Please do not feel under any pressure to do so, however; we know that this current crisis brings different struggles to all of us, and financial constraints can be one of them. Our sincere thanks to those who have been able to make donations.

Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee: and I detest my sins most sincerely because they displease Thee, my God, Who art so deserving of all my love for Thy infinite goodness and most amiable perfections: and I firmly purpose, by Thy holy grace, never more to offend Thee, to avoid all occasions of sin, and to amend my life. Amen. I further resolve and promise to go to Sacramental Confession as soon as practicably possible."