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

10TH OCTOBER 2021

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DAY OF PRAYER FOR PRISONERS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 11.00am- 11.30am SATURDAY AT ST. CATHARINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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 open for private prayer on Monday evenings and for all Masses. All will be streamed on our website unless indicated by *

Sunday 10th October 11.00am Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Private Intention)

Monday 11th October No Mass 7-8pm Church open for prayer. *

Tuesday 12th October No Mass

Wednesday 13th October 7.00pm Weekday in Ordinary Time (Sara Adey R.I.P. and Family Intentions)

Thursday 14th October 9.30am Weekday in Ordinary Time (Robert Peel R.I.P.)

Friday 15th October 11.00am Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus (of Avila), Virgin, Doctor of the Church (Barbara R.I.P. and Family Intentions)

Saturday 16th October 9.30am Solemnity of the Anniversary of the Dedication of Parish Churches (Oz Pemberton R.I.P. and Family Intentions).

11.00am – 11.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Catharine's

5.30pm First Mass of Sunday *

ST. DOMINIC'S CHAPEL, MELLS

Sunday 10th October 9.30am Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time * (People of the Parish)

Wednesday 13th October 6.00pm Weekday in Ordinary Time*

SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY OBLIGATIONS – In abeyance until further notice.

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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.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT MASS AND PRAYER: We strongly urge people to wear masks at least on arrival and when walking within the church, even if they remove them whilst in their benches. The members of the congregation will differ in their personal needs and feelings about mask wearing; let us be considerate of one another. For the same reason, we still need to be aware of people's space and desire for some social distance. Hand sanitizer will still be available at the church.

In an attempt to open up more seating and offer some more flexibility at St. Catharine's, the church is in two sections. The left-hand side as you enter will no longer have cordons and thus offer greater flexibility of seating. The right-hand side as you enter will maintain the cordons for those who seek the reassurance that they may offer them. We are moving forward at a cautious pace, and this will be assessed and reviewed. Listing our presence on entry, for track and trace purposes, is still available; it is optional but advisable and only those who use it can be contacted should it ever be necessary. Likewise, QR tracing posters are available for those who wish to scan them into their track and trace apps on arrival to church. There has been discussion about Mass times and the result is: **Sunday morning Mass at St. Catharine's will stay at 11am**. No time is ideal for everybody, but 11am does offer people who may have different struggles in the mornings to have time to get ready and attend. Also, it gives extra time to those in care homes etc. who may wish to access the livestream. **The Saturday 5.30pm Mass will remain, and the Sunday 5.30pm Mass has been discontinued**. These times are hoped to maximize the chances of finding a supply celebrant in times of priestly absence or sickness. This will be assessed after about a year before any changes are considered, to allow any further changes to be put into the annual diocesan directory as a more permanent fixture. **St. Catharine's daily Masses have always had to have some flexibility of timing, but we will maintain as far as possible the Wednesday 7pm Mass. It is aimed, from the beginning of September, to also have Thursday mornings at 9.30am, Friday mornings at 11am and Saturday mornings at 9.30am, but these may change and advertised in the bulletin if circumstances demand it. All these will be open for attendance. It is hoped to have a new confessional schedule on Saturdays: that following the 9.30am Mass the church will remain open, and confessions will commence at 11am until 11.30am or until those seeking confession at this time have been accommodated. Until it is safer to do so, confessions will be heard either in the church or in the sacristy until the confinement of the confessional poses less of a viral threat.**

At St. Dominic's in Mells, starting from the first weekend in September, the Sunday morning Mass resumes at the new time of 9.30am. There will also be a weekday Mass at 6pm on Wednesday evenings. These, too, will be subject to review if or when necessary.

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.

PRAYERS FROM RIGHT TO LIFE - "Today we celebrate World Mental Health Day. We pray especially for all mothers experiencing difficulties in their pregnancies, whose mental health has, as a result, been negatively impacted. We pray that, as a society, we would do all we can to support mothers through these circumstances, and keep the health and well-being of both mother and child at the centre of our communities. Lord hear us".

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LGBT+ MASS - the next monthly celebration of the Eucharist for the LGBT+ community, family, friends and allies will take place at St Nick's at 3pm on Sunday 17th October. All are welcome. The address is St Nicholas of Tolentino R.C. church Lawford's Gate, Easton, Bristol, BS5 0RE, <http://www.tolentino.org.uk> and the LGBT Ministry email is: inclusionforall@cliftondiocese.com. For livestream follow the link on the parish website <https://tolentino.org.uk>. Please also see the poster at the end of this newsletter.

BAPTISM WELCOME ON SUNDAY 10th OCTOBER – we welcome Kingsley and Marella Douglas and family.

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 "Parish of St. Catharine Frome" posted to the presbytery or dropped through the letterbox. Please do not feel under any pressure to do so. Sincere thanks for all donations received.

TIME TO START SCHOOL? If you have a child born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, then now is the time to apply for a place at a Catholic primary school in the Diocese. You must complete an application form (either online or on paper) that is available from the school admissions team of the Somerset Council, for admission during the 2022-23 school year. If your child has been baptised, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to your preferred school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2022.

NEW BISHOP'S VIDEO FOR SCHOOL GOVERNORS - There are 62 maintained schools in Clifton Diocese, educating 21,673 pupils. They are supported by a 'volunteer army' of school governors, including 350 Foundation Governors appointed by Bishop Declan. The Bishop wishes to recruit new candidates to join the governing bodies, to help grow and sustain Catholic education in the Diocese for current and future generations, and so has produced a new promotional video where the Bishop and current governors and Headteachers, talk about the importance and value of school governors. Visit <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/governance> and click on the Recruitment tab to watch the video to discover some of what being a school governor is about. If you would like to support catholic education and so would like to apply to be a governor, please complete the online application form <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/form-2> or contact Bill McEntee, Governance Officer via bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com or call 07710094976 for more information – he would love to hear from you!

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: A few people have offered to spring clean the church. Because of Covid restrictions it has been a long time since it has been possible to have cleaners come in and it is begging for some TLC. It would also be wonderful if some groups could be found to clean our church on a regular basis. (Ideal for couples or families, especially when the visit is begun/ ended with a prayer.) Can you help? Please either ring the presbytery on (01373) 462705 (please leave a message if there is no reply), or email Fr. Richard, Deacon David or Anna. Thank you.

DIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL - Bishop Declan wishes to form a Youth Council that will support the faith life of the young people within Clifton Diocese. This is an exciting opportunity for anyone who has a concern for young people and would like to get involved in this new venture. Information about the make-up of the council and the intended role of those who are selected can be found here at <https://cliftondiocese.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Diocesan-Youth-Council-booklet.pdf> or our parish administrator Anna will be happy to email you a copy of the PDF document. Please take a look at the poster at the end of this newsletter for more details.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2022 - Bishop Declan is set to lead the Holy Land pilgrimage in 2022 (26 September to 4 October) staying two nights in Bethlehem, three nights in Jerusalem and three nights in Galilee. There is a poster on the church noticeboard with more details if you wish to take a look, or Anna can email you more details if that suits you better.



LGBT+ MASS

A MONTHLY CELEBRATION
OF THE EUCHARIST FOR
LGBT+ CATHOLICS, FAMILIES
AND FRIENDS
ALL ARE WELCOME

A CLIFTON DIOCESE INITIATIVE



Sunday 17 October 3.00pm

For live stream follow link on parish website
<https://tolentino.org.uk>



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BISHOP DECLAN INVITES

- an amazing opportunity to engage with and support the work of Youth Ministry in the Diocese of Clifton

IS THIS FOR YOU?



Bishop Declan is looking for people to join our diocesan youth council, to support the work of those involved in Youth Ministry across the diocese and to encourage and enable others to feel more confident about engaging in the work.

The council will be made up of dynamic, enthusiastic and flexible volunteers who care about young people and want to make a difference to Youth Ministry in the Diocese.

Are you interested? Write to us telling us why by **25 October**.

Youth Council selection afternoon: Sunday 7 November.

Commissioning by Bishop Declan: 5 December.

To apply, or for more information please email:

youth@cliftondiocese.com

Diocesan Youth Council