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

16TH JANUARY 2022
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

**OWING TO THE SYNOD MEETING THERE WILL BE NO SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY
22ND JANUARY.**

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 16th January 11.00am Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (People of the Parish)

Sunday Readings; Isaiah 62: 1-5, 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11, John 2:1-11

Monday 17th January No Mass 7-8pm Church open for prayer. *

Tuesday 18th January No Mass

Wednesday 19th January 7.00pm Memorial of St. Wulstan, Bishop (Fonsie O'Kane [Sick])

Thursday 20th January 9.30am Weekday in Ordinary Time (Sydney Herbert Chimes RIP)

Friday 21st January 9.30am Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr (Moira Patricia Legg RIP)

Saturday 22nd January 9.30am Weekday in Ordinary Time (Patricia Murrell RIP)

5.30pm First Mass of Sunday *

ST. DOMINIC'S CHAPEL, MELLS

Sunday 16th January 9.30am Second Sunday in Ordinary Time *

Wednesday 19th January 6.00pm Memorial of St. Wulstan, Bishop *

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: It is now compulsory for face coverings to be worn in places of worship (unless medically exempt).

The members of the congregation will differ in their personal needs and feelings; let us be considerate of one another and to be aware of people's space and desire for some social distance. Hand sanitizer is available in the church and the church porch.

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.

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.

SYNOD – A MORNING OF PRAYER, CONTEMPLATION, LISTENING AND SHARING

Pope Francis has launched a worldwide process of listening and discerning: a 'synodal pathway' from October 2021 - 2023

Synodal means 'journeying together'. The Pope is inviting the entire Church to reflect on the theme of Communion, Participation and Mission: "It's precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium."

The synodal process is a time of 'journeying together'. It is also a time to reflect together on the journey. We will begin listening to one another, sharing our experience of travelling together in a time of profound change, intensified by the challenging time of the pandemic. And we will consider our wider experience of journeying together, as members of the Church and alongside others journeying in the world. It is hoped that every parish in the world will take part.

To this end our Parish will be hosting a morning of prayer, contemplation, listening and sharing on:

Date/Time: January 22nd 10am - 1pm

Venue: The Parish Hall at St Catharine's, Park Road, Frome, BA11 1EU

You are warmly invited to participate. To register your interest please email parishsynod@gmail.com

ROOM FOR RENT, COULD YOU HELP? A Catholic lady, in her 50's, wishing to relocate to Somerset, is looking for a room to rent. Excellent reference available, she is trustworthy, quiet, tidy and independent. For further details, please contact the Parish Administrator Anna Pang.

PRAYER FROM RIGHT TO LIFE - "As we open the week of prayer for Christian Unity, we pray especially for our shared calling to protect and preserve all life. We pray that our unity and ecumenical efforts on all life issues would inspire the world to join us in defending the lives and rights of all who are vulnerable in our society. Lord hear us"

SPUC WHITE FLOWER COLLECTION - today there will be the annual collection for the Pro-Life SPUC White Flower campaign.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE - for the past 50 years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been offering marriage enrichment programs all around the world. Focused on couples who want to enrich their relationship and gain a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage, it offers a unique experience to explore your relationship at a deeper, more intimate level, regardless of how long you have been together. The next Marriage Encounter weekend is scheduled on 4th -6th March 2022 in Swindon and there are many other dates over the year (included Online Experience as well). You can find out more and book your place at www.wwme.org.uk or contact us on 0845 260 2016. Please see the poster on the church noticeboard for more details.

MESSAGE FROM RETROUVAILLE - 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 different challenges. You wonder would we be better apart?

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 3rd – 6th March 2022 Call or text +44 788 729 6983.

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

There is also a poster on the church noticeboard with details.

FINANCE VACANCIES - the Curia Finance department in Alexander House are currently recruiting an Accounting Officer and a Parish Finance Support Officer to replace two vacancies within the team. The Accounting Officer role is responsible for managing the purchase and sales ledgers and updating the nominal ledger and the Parish Finance Support Officer role is focussed on supporting the implementation of OPAS and providing administrator support for parish bank, credit card and PayPal accounts. Further information regarding the roles is available on the diocesan website: <https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/>