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

16TH JUNE 2024

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

ALL MASSES AND SERVICES, UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE BY *, 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

Sunday Readings: Ez 17:22-24; 2Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday 15th June 5.30pm First Mass of Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 16th June 10.00am Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (People of the Parish)

Monday 17th June **No Mass**

7pm – 8pm church open for prayer with Eucharistic Adoration/ Rosary prayers for peace followed by Lectio Divina at 8pm in the parish hall *

Tuesday 18th June **No Mass**

Wednesday 19th June **No Mass**

Thursday 20th June 9.30am Weekday in Ordinary Time

Friday 21st June 9.30am Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Saturday 22nd June 9.30am Feast of Saints John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs

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

5.30pm First Mass of Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Sunday 23rd June 10.00am Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. DOMINIC'S CHAPEL, MELLS

Sunday 16th June 11.30am *

Wednesday 19th June 11.30am *

Sunday 23rd June 11.30am *

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PARISH LUNCH. SUNDAY 30 JUN 2024. Roast beef and Yorkshire puddings with roast potatoes and a selection of vegetables. A vegetarian option is available supported by Live Simply. Please ask for this option when buying your ticket. As usual, bring a pudding (preferably home made, as they always taste best!) to share with those at your table. We will have cream and custard available to add to your delicious dishes. Sherry available on arrival; bring your own wine or other beverage.

REGISTER TO VOTE - Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) are encouraging all Catholics to #RegisterToVote before 23:59 on the 18 June 2024 in preparation for the General Election. CSAN have launched a number of resources to help Catholics inform their conscience and navigate the political landscape at this time, find more at www.csan.org.uk/general-election-2024 and see the poster in the church porch.

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEK FOR THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE DAY FOR LIFE - the day in the Church's year dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life from conception to natural death. The collection assists The Anscombe Bioethics Centre for Healthcare and Ethics in Oxford (formerly the Linacre Centre) and other pro-Life groups. The Centre exists to help Catholics and others to explore the Church's position on bioethical issues. Its perspective is informed by Catholic moral teaching, but in defending such teaching it seeks also to enable dialogue with those of no religious faith. www.dayforlife.org/

PRAYER FROM RIGHT TO LIFE – "Today, we commemorate the Day for Life in the Church's cycle of prayer. Let us, therefore, pray for legislators and those in authority, that they may respect and protect human life from conception to natural death. Lord hear us".

MESSAGE FROM GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK - On Saturday 22nd June, the Eve of the Vigil of the Feast of St John the Baptist, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia. This is the last monthly day of prayer and fasting for life before the General Election. An election which could well result in an even more pro-abortion government than we have currently had. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed. "And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least...God saw their efforts to renounce their evil ways. And God relented about the disaster which He had threatened to bring on them, and He did not bring it." (Jonah 3:5,10) Please Invite others to join the day on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/events/1037436687798327/> and see the poster in the church porch.

MISSION MASS FOR MISSIO - Missio & Red Box supporters, volunteers and the wider Catholic community are invited to come together in prayer for the Global Church at St Mary's Church, Bath on Wednesday 26 June at 7pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr Gary Brassington, Diocesan Director for Missio and followed by refreshments. Br Eddie Slawinski from the Mill Hill Missionaries will be here to share the work of Missio and how Red Box donations are helping to build the Catholic Church and share the Gospel message. All are welcome.

DIOCESAN DAY - HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT - Just a reminder that we have the opportunity to join Bishop Bosco and our diocesan family at this year's Diocesan Day "Hope Does Not Disappoint". The title of the day comes from Spes Non Confundit, the Papal Bull of Indiction for the Ordinary Jubilee in 2025. Pope Francis has decreed that the theme will be Pilgrims of Hope, and so on Saturday 6 July at St Bernadette's Secondary School in Whitchurch, Bristol, our diocese will gather to be formed for this joyful occasion. Canon Chris Thomas, the General Secretary for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales, will be our main speaker today focusing on Hope. Phil McCarthy, a member of our own diocesan family, will also be speaking on pilgrimage. Phil runs the website <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/> and seeks to revitalise the ancient tradition of walking pilgrimages in Britain. He has developed walking pilgrimages in most of the dioceses of England and Wales, including our own from Clifton Cathedral to Glastonbury.

The day will include an opportunity to plan for the Jubilee in our Pastoral Area groups. We warmly invite you to join us on the day. The day will start at 9.30am with refreshments and will include Mass as a central part of our day. Please bring a packed lunch. We will finish by 4pm. Everyone is welcome but places are limited, so please book early. To register for the day please click the Eventbrite link: <https://cliftondiocesanday.eventbrite.co.uk>

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