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5pm (Sat) Vigil Mass (*Pro Populo*)

9am (Cor) Sung Mass (*Pro Populo*)

11am (Ch) Sung Mass (*Luigi Marotta*)
with Children's Liturgy

Monday 24th June

Solemnity of the Nativity
of Saint John the Baptist
No Mass

Tuesday 25th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.10pm Mass (Ch) (*Tony Kiely & Family*)

Wednesday 26th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12pm Mass (Cor) (*Christine Harvey*)

Thursday 27th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.10pm Mass (Ch) (*Tony Sutton*)

followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 28th June

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr

12pm Mass (Cor) (*Joanna Kiely & family*)

Saturday 29th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

2- 4.45pm Eucharistic Adoration (Ch)

4.15 - 4.45pm (Sat) Confessions (Ch)

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS

PETER AND PAUL

5pm (Sat) Vigil Mass (*Private Intention*)

9am (Cor) Sung Mass (*Pro Populo*)
with Children's Liturgy

11am (Ch) Sung Mass (*Pro Populo*)

TRUSTING IN GOD'S POWER The readings this Sunday show us God's power and our need to trust Him. In the first reading, God reminds Job of His control over the sea. He set boundaries for the waters and commands the waves. This shows God's authority over creation. Even the mighty sea, which can be so powerful and frightening, obeys God's commands. We can trust that God is in control of everything in our lives too. In the Gospel, we see Jesus calming the storm. The disciples are afraid, but Jesus shows His power over the wind and sea. He asks them why they are afraid and questions their faith. When we face storms in our own lives, we can remember Jesus' power. Just as He calmed the sea for the disciples, He can bring peace to our troubled hearts. We only need to trust Him and have faith.

SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER & PAUL next Sunday June 30th (transferred from 29th June) the Church celebrates the feast day of Ss Peter & Paul. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of an already lengthy tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Saint Peter and Saint Paul on the same day. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there. They are the secondary patrons of our diocese.

PETER'S PENCE Next weekend there will be a second collection for Peter's Pence. This collection expresses unity with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, in two ways: through the ongoing activities of the Holy See and through the charitable works of the Holy Father on behalf of those most in need. Pray for the Holy Father, for those he serves in compassion, and for the ongoing activities of the Holy See, all of which benefit from the Peter's Pence Collection.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD in Chippenham will commence this Sunday 23rd June and again on 7th July at 11am Mass. Parents with children are asked to sit on the office door side of the Church which will facilitate easy access to CLOW in the Parish Office (and at other times to the toilets) Thank you. The office is quite small, so we would ask that a parent/guardian attends only when a child needs supervision.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION GROUP Wednesday 26th June at 7pm in St Mary's Parish Office. The Confirmation Retreat Day will take place on Saturday 6th July at St Patrick's church and hall.

NEXT WEEK - SUMMER CEILDH on Friday 5th July at St Mary's School, Chippenham. This is easy and fun dancing for everyone, no experience necessary, it will all be walked through and called. Tickets will be available on Saturday or Sunday morning after mass, or you can order your tickets – see information by the noticeboards. All are welcome from both our parishes.

SPUC - A General Election has been called for the 4th July 2024. The threat of abortion being decriminalised was averted when this election was called, but these extreme proposals are sure to return. The next Parliament will also likely see a big push to legalise assisted suicide. It is therefore vital that we elect MPs who will oppose these threats to life. To contact your candidates and to check on their voting intentions, please go to <https://www.spuc.org.uk/General-Election-2024>.

CONFIRMATION Bishop Bosco will be celebrating the Mass of Confirmation at St Mary's at 7pm on Thursday 11th July. Please put this in your diaries and come along to welcome our new Bishop on his first visit to us. There will be a Confirmation rehearsal on Wednesday 10th at 6pm in Church for all candidates.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL FETE Friday 12th July from 6-9pm with a BBQ, games, music and a raffle. All are welcome!

ST PATRICK'S SUMMER BBQ Parishioners from both parishes are welcome to a Summer BBQ Sunday 14th July at 1pm in the grounds of St Patrick's with food (burgers, sausages and rolls will be provided), games and music. Please bring either a salad or dessert to share, your own drinks and cups and outdoor seating. Booking is essential for catering purposes. To register, please scan the QR code on posters in both churches or go to <https://stpatricksandstmarys.churchsuite.com/events/nmaxdt6k>. Or please speak to Ewan or Lorraine Miller or Teresa Gosling.

DIOCESAN DAY Sat 6th July at St Bernadette's Secondary School, Whitchurch, Bristol. The focus will be on Hope – especially in relation to the Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope'. All are invited to join Bishop Bosco. We start at 9.30am with refreshments and will include Mass. Please bring a packed lunch. We will finish by 4pm. Everyone is welcome but places are limited. To register go to <https://cliftondiocesanday.eventbrite.co.uk>.

GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE SUNDAY 14TH JULY This year's pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, 14th July 2024 and will be centred around the theme of 'Mary, Woman of Prayer'. Following the recitation of the Rosary at 11.30 am, the Shrine Church will transform into a chapel of Exposition and Silent Adoration from 12 noon until 3:00 pm, offering a peaceful and contemplative environment just opposite the Abbey grounds. At 2:15 pm, the Rosary procession will commence in the Abbey grounds, followed by the Pilgrimage Mass at 3:30 pm, also held in the Abbey grounds.

SVP AND CAFOD WORKING TOGETHER IN THE RUN UP TO THE GENERAL ELECTION As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter or svp.org.uk/encounter for more information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Confessions are heard in Corsham after the weekday masses and in Chippenham on Saturday 4.15-4.45pm or by arrangement with Fr Michael.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The Sick: Corsham: Richard Keat, Sheila Taylor, Christopher Brawl, Lindsay Price, Robert Wilkins. Chippenham: Lydia Connell, David Lunt, Michael Kenny, Mike Merry, Nic Pollastrone, Chris Rosario, Elena Alberti, Victoria Kiss, Raymond Johnson, Pamela Naylor, Jenny Coates, Sue Sheehan, Anne Martin. Pray for all in our hospitals, nursing homes and those who care for them.

RIP Anniversaries: Pat Wilkinson, Violet Webb, Desmond Kiely, David Cole, Phyllis Merry, Judy Bullock, David Gough, Tony Sutton.

The Holy Father's Prayer June Intention: We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Diocesan Prayer Link: Saint Thomas More, Bradford-on-Avon.

In compliance with the requirements of GDPR permission must be sought from an individual (or next of kin) before their name can be added to a list of those who are sick. Do please advise us of any changes to be made to this list.

June - The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



June is known as the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus because the solemnity of the Sacred Heart is celebrated during this month. This year, the solemnity falls on June 16th. The date changes each year because it is celebrated on the Friday after the Corpus Christi octave, or the Friday after the second Sunday after Pentecost. The feast dates back to 1673, when a French nun belonging to the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary (Visitandines) in France began to receive visions about the Sacred Heart. Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque and revealed ways to venerate his Sacred Heart and explained the immense love he has for humanity, appearing with his heart visible outside his chest, on fire, and surrounded by a crown of thorns. Jesus told Sister Margaret Mary: “My Sacred Heart is so intense in its love for men, and for you in particular, that not being able to contain within it the flames of its ardent charity, they must be transmitted through all means.”

A short Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart of Jesus,
filled with infinite love,
broken by my ingratitude,
pierced by my sins,
yet loving me still,
accept the consecration which I make to you,
of all that I am and all that I have.
Take every faculty of my soul and body,
and draw me, day by day, nearer and nearer to your sacred side:
There, as I can hear the lesson,
teach me your blessed ways. Amen

Prayer for Reconciliation and Peace in the Holy Land



O God of all, of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Isaac, and Ishmael:
Our hearts are broken in pieces at the suffering and murder of your people.
Our voices cry for peace and for justice.
Comfort those who grieve,
Console and heal the injured,
Be close to those in fear,
Restrain with your mighty hand those who perpetrate violence.
Send us your wisdom in all that we say and do,
That our voice may always seek justice, peace and security for all.
Amen.

A Prayer for Ukraine



Almighty and Great God, accept our gratitude for your boundless mercy towards us.

Hear the supplication of our afflicted hearts for the land and people of Ukraine,
as they confront foreign aggression and invasion.

Open the eyes of those who have been overtaken by a spirit of deception and violence,
that they be horrified by their works.

Grant victory over the powers of evil that have arisen,
and bless Ukraine with your gifts of liberty, peace, tranquillity and good fortune.

We implore you, O Merciful God,

look with grace upon those who courageously defend their land.

Remember the mothers and fathers, the innocent children, widows and orphans,
the disabled and helpless, those seeking shelter and refuge, who reach out to you and to their fellow human
beings looking for mercy and compassion.

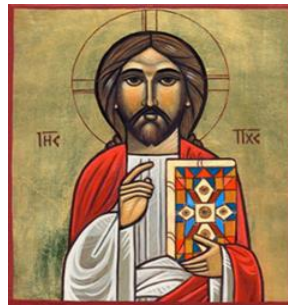
Bless the hearts of those who have already shown great generosity and solidarity.

Bring us together as your children, your creation,
and instil in us your strength, wisdom and understanding.

May you be praised and glorified, now and forever, and to the ages of ages.

Amen.

THE WORD THIS WEEK TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B



First reading

A reading from the book of Job

Job 38:1,8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said:

Who pent up the sea behind closed doors
when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb,
when I wrapped it in a robe of mist
and made black clouds its swaddling bands;
when I marked the bounds it was not to cross
and made it fast with a bolted gate?
Come thus far, I said, and no farther:
here your proud waves shall break.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 106(107):23-26,28-32

*O give thanks to the Lord,
for his love endures for ever.*

Some sailed to the sea in ships
to trade on the mighty waters.
These men have seen the Lord's deeds,
the wonders he does in the deep.

For he spoke; he summoned the gale,
tossing the waves of the sea
up to heaven and back into the deep;
their souls melted away in their distress.

Then they cried to the Lord in their need
and he rescued them from their distress.
He stilled the storm to a whisper:
all the waves of the sea were hushed.

They rejoiced because of the calm
and he led them to the haven they desired.
Let them thank the Lord for his love,
for the wonders he does for men.

Second reading

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

A reading from the second letter to St Paul to the Corinthians

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.