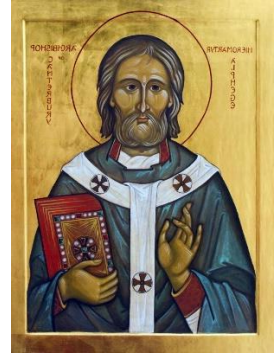


**Parish of
Our Lady and St Alphege, Bath
together with
St Joseph's, Peasedown St John**

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd July 2023

Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me

Mass Times at St Alphege

or St Joseph's, Peasedown if indicated

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| Sat 1st | St Oliver Plunkett | |
| | 10.00 | |
| Sun 2nd | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| | 9.00 | Parishioners (Peasedown) |
| | 11.00 | |
| | 18.00 | |
| Mon 3rd | St Thomas | |
| | 10.00 | |
| Tue 4th | Feria | |
| | 10.00 | Patrick Joseph O'Shaughnessy + |
| | 11.00 | (Peasedown) |
| Wed 5th | Feria | |
| | No Mass | |
| Thu 6th | Feria | |
| | 18.00 | |
| Fri 7th | Feria | |
| | 12.00 | |
| Sat 8th | Feria | |
| | 10.00 | |
| Sun 9th | Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| | 9.00 | Parishioners (Peasedown) |
| | 11.00 | |
| | 18.00 | |



**A Prayer for the Thirteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

All-powerful God,
your incarnate Word commands our obedience
and offers us true life.
Make our hearts attentive
to the voice of your Son
and our hearts generous in answering his call,
that we may take up the cross
with trust in its promises.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.

Sunday Coffee

Coffee is served in the Parish Hall after 11.00 Sunday mass
Confessions..... Saturday 10.30 and at Call
Choir Practice..... 19.00 Wednesdays in Hall
Psalter Week 1
Sunday Readings:..... Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 1
Baptisms & Marriages: Contact the Parish Priest
Mothers Prayer Group..... Tuesdays 9.00-9:45 Term Time
Diocesan Prayer League..... St Nicholas, Easton
St Joseph, Fishponds & St Patrick, Redfield

Cycle of Prayer: Ordinary Time Summer

A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews,
Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression, and Denial of
Human Rights, Europe, Human Life, Seafarers



Parish Barbecue

We will be holding a Barbecue in the Parish Garden after 11.00 mass on Sunday 16th July.

Tickets: £7 adults £4 children
Beer, Wine & Soft Drinks

**True humility is not
thinking less of yourself;
it is thinking of yourself less**

Flower Arrangers

We are looking for a couple of people who are willing to join the flower arranging rota. If you are interested, please ring Frances on 07940 583846. It should be only once a month. Training can be given by the existing flower arrangers.

A Prayer by Mother Teresa

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,
that my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
that my work too may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
that I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
to defend all that is holy.
Guide me then, O Holy Spirit,
that I always may be holy. Amen

Going to University this Autumn?

Each University and Higher Education Institute in the country has a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based either in the University or in the local parish.



The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith, to meet people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach.

If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. For addresses see www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk.

**The darker the night,
The brighter the stars,
The deeper the grief,
The closer is God**

Fyodor Dostoevsky

Forthcoming Dates

Glastonbury Pilgrimage..... 9th July
Barbeque..... 16th July
Diocesan Day..... 7th October
OT Talk Abraham..... 27th October
OT Talk Moses..... 17th November
OT Talk David..... 1st December
OT Talk Elijah..... 8th December

Confirmation

The Deanery Confirmation Mass 2023 will take place on Friday 10th November in St Mary's Church. The preparation course for young people in Year 9-13 begins in September at St Mary's. Forms are available at the back of the Church. Contact: bath.stmary@clifftondiocese.com.

Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage

Each year the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton organises a walking pilgrimage to a place, shrine or area exploring a particular theme or aspect of faith and Christian heritage. This year they are walking from Bristol to Arundel and Sunday 13th August they will stay overnight here at St Alphege. We will, undoubtedly, make them very welcome.

Autumn Talks

The two series of talks that we have held on Matthew in Autumn 2022 and on the Elizabethan Jesuits in Spring 2023 have both proved to be successful so we would like to continue with another four talks in the Autumn. This time the theme will be 'Important Figures from the Old Testament'. A lot of Catholics don't know too much about the Old Testament so this will be an opportunity for us all to become a bit more familiar with the Hebrew Scriptures. These are the dates, topics and speakers: 20th October, Abraham by Monsignor Jeremy Rigden; 17th November, Moses by Father Alex McAllister; 1st December, David by Anne Barrett and 8th December, Elijah by Dominic Bailey.

Glastonbury Pilgrimage

The Glastonbury Pilgrimage takes place next Sunday. The procession through the town centre behind the statue of Our Lady begins at 14.15 and returns to the Abbey at 15.00. The Mass will be celebrated at 15.30.

**I'm only a spark, make me a fire,
I'm only a string, make me a lyre**

St Mary's Eco Group

St Mary's Eco Group invites you to a social evening and film with discussion 'The Letter: A Message For Our Earth'. It is on Friday 14th July from 19.00 in St Mary's Parish Centre, Julian Road. There will be a bring-and-share supper with the film screening at 19.30. Contact julia.herridge@gmail.com for any further information.

Heritage Open Days

The Church will be participating once again in the annual Heritage Open Days. The Church will be open on Saturday 9th, Thursday 14th and Saturday 16th September. Dr Giles Mercer will give a guided tour of the Church at 14.30 on those days. All welcome.

Sister Pontiana

Sister Pontiana has been visiting Bath for the last few weeks. She returns home in August. We will take up a second collection for her work with poor and abandoned children and mothers in Zimbabwe on Sunday 23rd July.

Upcoming Special Collections

Peter's Pence today 2nd July, Apostleship of the Sea 9th July, Sister Pontiana 23rd July

Sunday Collection

Last week loose: £343.98, Gift Aid Envelopes £52

Readers

11.00: Relston n/w Veritas 18.00; Duncan n/w Moira