

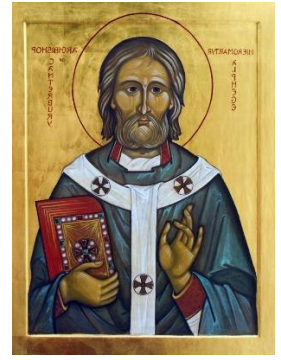


**Parish of
Our Lady and St Alphege, Bath
together with
St Joseph's, Peasedown St John**

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Twenty sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st October 2023

Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the Kingdom of God before you

Mass Times at St Alphege

or St Joseph's, Peasedown if indicated

Sat 30th	St Jerome	
	No Mass	
Sun 1st	Twenty sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	9.00	Parishioners (Peasedown)
	11.00	Pat Carter (Birthday)
	18.00	Jack Wooley +
Mon 2nd	Guardian Angels	
	10.00	
Tue 3rd	Feria	
	10.00	
	11.00	(Peasedown)
Wed 4th	St Francis of Assisi	
	No Mass	
Thu 5th	Feria	
	18.00	
Fri 6th	Feria	
	12.00	
Sat 7th	Our Lady of the Rosary	
	10.00	Jim Reilly +
Sun 8th	Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	9.00	Parishioners (Peasedown)
	11.00	
	18.00	Holy Souls



From a Distance

From a distance the world looks blue and green,
and the snow-capped mountains white.
From a distance the ocean meets the stream,
and the eagle takes to flight.
From a distance, there is harmony,
and it echoes through the land.
It's the voice of hope, it's the voice of peace,
it's the voice of every man.
From a distance we all have enough,
and no one is in need.
And there are no guns, no bombs, and no disease,
no hungry mouths to feed.
From a distance we are instruments
marching in a common band.
Playing songs of hope, playing songs of peace.
They're the songs of every man.
God is watching us. God is watching us.
God is watching us from a distance.
From a distance you look like my friend,
even though we are at war.
From a distance I just cannot comprehend
what all this fighting is for.
From a distance there is harmony,
and it echoes through the land.
And it's the hope of hopes, it's the love of loves,
it's the heart of every man.
It's the hope of hopes, it's the love of loves.
This is the song of every man.
And God is watching us, God is watching us,
God is watching us from a distance.
Oh, God is watching us, God is watching.
God is watching us from a distance

Information

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
Psalter2
Sunday Readings:.....Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 1
Baptisms & Marriages: Contact the Parish Priest
Diocesan Prayer League.....St Aldhelm, Malmesbury
St Peter, Cirencester, St Michael, Tetbury

Cycle of Prayer: Ordinary Time Autumn

The Harvest, the Fruits of Human of Work, the Reverent
Use of Creation, Students and Teachers, the Spread of
the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the World, Prisoners and
their Families, All Victims of War, Young People

Cappella Nova
BATH
chamber choir


Conductor Tony Shield

Ave Maria

Music for the Virgin Mary

Saturday 4 Nov 2023
7.30 pm

St Alphege's Church
Oldfield Lane, Bath



OTR

Concert in aid of
Off the Record
and
St Alphege's
Church

Tickets £15
students £8
under-18s free
from
bit.ly/cn-ave-maria
and on the door

www.cappellanova.org.uk

Capella Nova Concert in the Church on Saturday 4th November 19.30 Tickets on the door £15, Students £8. Under 18s free.

Preach the Gospel at all times; if necessary use words

St Francis of Assisi

Celebrating Marriage

Bishop Declan will be celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 14th October at 12.00 and is inviting all married couples to join him. He will, as always, be sending a personal invitation to those couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries during 2023 or those who will marry during this year. If you are, or know of a couple celebrating 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th anniversaries during 2023 please let the Diocese know. Send names including the number of years celebrating to adult.education@cliftondiocese.com with the address so that a personal invitation can be sent to them from the Bishop.

Don't think you are necessarily on the right road because it is a well-beaten path

Forthcoming Dates

Diocesan Day	7th October
OT Talk Abraham	20th October
OT Talk Moses	17th November
Gregory Steward Concert	21st November
OT Talk David	1st December
OT Talk Elijah	8th December

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. £5 donation is suggested.

New Gift Aid Envelopes

The new numbered gift aid envelopes, which come into use at the beginning of October, are available from the table at the back of the Church. You should have the same number as last year. Any problem please see Maureen Dyson.

A Prayer for all in Need

We bring before thee, O Lord,
the griefs and perils of people and nations;
the necessities of the homeless;
the helplessness of the aged and weak;
the sighing of prisoners;
the pains of the sick and injured;
the sorrows of the bereaved:
Comfort and relieve them, O merciful Father,
according to their several needs;
for the sake of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Saturday 30th

Please note that due to clergy training, there will be no mass on Saturday 30th September.

Anxiety is the greatest evil that can befall a soul except sin. God commands you to pray, but He forbids you to worry

St. Francis de Sales

Gregory Steward Concert



There will be a Concert in the Church at 19.30 on Tuesday 21st November by the local tenor Gregory Steward. He will be performing an 'Evening of Classical Music with Songs from the Shows.' including Les Misérables, South Pacific and Carousel. Tickets £12 including refreshments.

Accommodation Required

Two responsible Ukrainian ladies are looking for a two-bedroom flat. If you know of one, please inform Frances Rimmer or Father Alex.

Upcoming Special Collections

CAFOD 8th October, World Missions 22nd October

Last Sunday's Collection

Plate £222.18, Gift Aid Envelopes £68.60

Readers

11.00: Anne n/w Maureen, 18.00; Grainne n/w Duncan

Children's Liturgy

This week Helen n/w Bibian