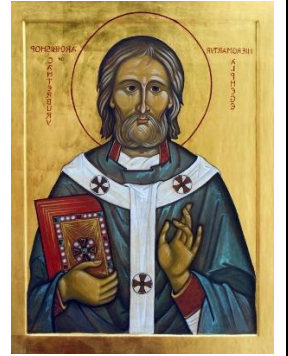




**Parish of
Our Lady and St Alphege, Bath
together with
St Joseph's, Peasedown St John**

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

19th March 2023

When I washed, I could see

Mass Times at St Alphege

or St Joseph's, Peasedown if indicated

Sat 18th	Weekday of Lent	
	10.00	
Sun 19th	Fourth Sunday of Lent	
	9.00	(Peasedown)
	11.00	
	17.30	Stations of the Cross
	18.00	
Mon 20th	Solemnity of St Joseph	
	10.00	
Tue 21st	Weekday of Lent	
	10.00	
	11.00	
Wed 22nd	Weekday of Lent	
	No Mass	
Thu 23rd	Weekday of Lent	
	18.00	
Fri 24th	Weekday of Lent	
	12.00	
Sat 25th	Annunciation of the Lord	
	10.00	
Sun 26th	Fifth Sunday of Lent	
	9.00	(Peasedown)
	11.00	
	17.30	Stations of the Cross
	18.00	



St Joseph and the Christ Child, *Guido Reni (1575–1642)*

A Prayer to St Joseph

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

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 4
 Sunday Readings: Year A
 Weekday Readings: Year 3
 Baptisms & Marriages: Contact the Parish Priest
 Mothers Prayer Group..... Tuesdays 9.00-9:45 Term Time
 Diocesan Prayer League..... University Chaplaincies

Cycle of Prayer: Ordinary Time: Lent

Candidates for the Sacraments, Needy and Hungry of the World, Women's World Day of Prayer, Survivors of Sexual Abuse, Penitents and Wanderers



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church on Sundays at 17.30. People are free to say the Stations of the Cross individually or collectively at any time during Lent. Booklets are available at the back of the Church for your use.

**Jesus, help me to simplify my life
by learning what you want me to be
– and by becoming that person**

St. Thérèse of Lisieux



Easter Egg Hunt

Donations of Easter Eggs are required for the Easter Egg Hunt which will take place after the 11.00 mass on Easter Sunday. Please leave donations of Easter Eggs in the box at the door of the church. Many thanks.

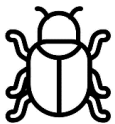
Little Church

Volunteers are urgently needed to lead Little Church. Ideally the parents of the children who attend should help with leading the sessions. Please let Father Alex know if you can help. We have not held Little Church for the last couple of weeks due to lack of helpers. It would be good if we could restart the sessions soon. It only needs a short liturgy with a reading of the Gospel, a brief discussion and a few prayers with perhaps some time to draw a picture.

Easter Organ Concert

We are holding an Organ recital on Friday 21st April at 19.00. The organist is Shean Bowers and music includes 'Occasional Oratorio' by Handel, 'Nun Danket Alle Gott' by Bach, 'O Fili et Filiae' by Dandrieu and 'An Easter Alleluia' by Slater and several other works. Tickets £10 adults, £5 concessions. Refreshments in the Parish Hall afterwards.

Beetle Drive



We will be holding a Beetle Drive on Friday 31st March at 19.00 in the Parish Hall. Come and join a fun evening suitable for all the family. Tickets £6 adults, £4 children. Pie and Mushy Pea Supper provided. Donations for the are raffle appreciated. Please sign the sheet.

**He knows the way
because He is the way**

Forthcoming Dates

Beetle Drive.....	31st March
Elizabethan Jesuits Talk	4th April
Chrism Mass	5th April
Easter Sunday.....	9th April
Social Committee	14th April
Organ Concert.....	21st April
Elizabethan Jesuits Talk	28th April
Elizabethan Jesuits Talk	5th May
Coronation Garden Party	7th May
International Evening	12th May
Elizabethan Jesuits Talk	19th May
Readers Course	3rd June
Corpus Christi Procession, Prior Park	11th June

Elizabethan Jesuits



We will be having another series of talks at St Alphege; this time on four important Elizabethan Jesuits and their very exciting stories. The talks will take place in the Parish Hall with refreshments at 19.00 on the following dates:

Edmund Campion by Professor Gerard Kilroy Tuesday 4th April; John Gerard by Father Alex McAllister Friday 28th April; Robert Southwell by Duncan McGibbon Friday 5th May & Nicholas Owen by Monsignor Jeremy Rigden Friday 19th May. All welcome. Voluntary donation.

Chrism Mass

A coach has been booked picking up from North Parade at 9.15 on 5th April to go to the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral. Seats still available. Please register at bath.stjohntheevangelist@cliftondiocese.com

Missio

Please return your Missio red boxes to the sacristy for counting and pick up any old ones from the back of the Church. Please make sure they are correctly labelled. In total £1,069 was raised in the last year plus those who have direct debits with Missio. An excellent result! If you would like a Missio box please ask.

Argyle String Orchestra

There will be a concert in the Church at 19,30 on Thursday 23rd March to celebrate the Centenary of the Argyle String Orchestra. Handel's Water Music, Vivaldi Concerto for Two Violins, etc. Tickets £10 at the door.

**You are only young once,
but you can stay immature indefinitely**

Ogden Nash

Beacons

The next meeting of the Beacons will be on Monday 20th March from 14.00 to 16.00 there will be a quiz and everyone is welcome.

Readers Course

We have organised a course for readers from all the parishes in Bath here at St Alphege. It will take place on Saturday 3rd June from 11.00 to 15.00. Please bring a packed lunch.

Tour Group

There will be a tour group visiting the 10.00 mass on Saturday 1st April as part of a visit to Bristol and Bath.

Prayer of St Alcuin of York (730-804)

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts,
Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil,
Eternal Power, be our support,
Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance,
Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us;
that with all our heart and mind and soul and strength
we may seek thy face and be brought by thine infinite mercy
to thy holy presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Upcoming Second Collections

Good Friday 7th April Holy Places

Sunday Collection

5th March Loose £339.38, Envelopes £42, CAFOD £416.96

Readers

11.00: Anne n/w Maureen 18.00; 18.00 Moira