



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

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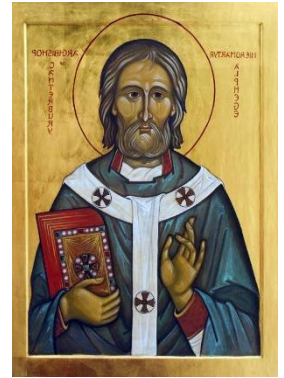
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**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**

**Mass Times at St Alphege  
& St Joseph's, Peasedown as indicated**

<b>Sun 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
0900	People of the Parish <i>St Joseph's PSJ</i>
1100	Salomea Duda +
1800	Sean Kelly +
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Nativity of St John the Baptist</b>
No Mass	
<b>Tue 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
1000	
1100	Parishioners <i>St Joseph's PSJ</i>
<b>Wed 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
1000	
<b>Thur 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
1130	Exposition & Rosary <i>St Joseph's PSJ</i>
1730	Exposition & Confession
1800	
<b>Fri 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Irenaeus, Martyr</b>
12.00	
<b>Sat 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Votive Mass of Our Lady</b>
1000	
1030	Confession – Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Sun 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul</b>
0900	Parishioners <i>St Joseph's PSJ</i>
1100	People of the Parish
1800	Martin Fisher

**Information**

Coffee is served in the Parish Hall after 11.00 Mass  
Psalter Week 4 / Readings Sun B / Weekdays Year 2  
Baptisms & Marriages - please speak with Fr Robert

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**  
St Thomas More, Bradford on Avon

**Newsletter**

Please e mail anything for the newsletter directly to Fr Robert at robert.corrigan@cliftondiocese.com

**Exposition, Rosary, and Benediction**

There will be Exposition during which we will pray the Rosary and conclude by receiving Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> of June at 1700 and Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> of July at 1700

**Martin Fisher RIP**

The family have sent this information and asked that it is shared. "Martin's Funeral Mass will be held at The Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows, Prior Park College, Ralph Allen Drive, Bath, BA2 5AH, on Thursday, 27th June, at 1.45pm. The Chapel will be open from 1.15pm. Parking will be available at the College. Please join us afterwards from 3.15pm for refreshments at the Bath Spa Hotel, Sydney Road, Bath, BA2 6NS."

**Praying with our School**

On Friday 5th July, 12.15pm, St John's Chaplaincy team will be hosting a '***In solidarity, prayer gathering session***' at St Alphege's Church hall.

The children will have many activities to promote solidarity with our brothers and sisters. With prayer spaces created by the children and opportunities for children and parishioners to share their prayer life. The school would love if Parishioners could attend, the invitation is open to all, however, so we can get numbers please can you email hmosettig@stjohns.bathnes.sch.uk to register your interest or let Isabella know and she can pass it on by 28<sup>th</sup> of June. The Chaplaincy team would love for you to attend to broaden their community engagement and prayer life!

**St Alphege Summer Celebration.**

**After 1100 Mass on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> of July.**  
More details to follow but please keep the date.  
A chance for us to spend some time together as a community and parish family before we go our separate ways for summer.

**Congratulations!**

to Sophia and Nolan Pestel who received the Sacrament of Baptism last Saturday

**Ad Hoc Gift Aid Donations( Green envelopes)**

We are very grateful for the gift aiding of ad hoc donations which are always a valued source of additional income for the Parish. This is generally done through the use of the pale green envelopes at the back of the church. Donors are asked to ensure that their name and address are clearly legible when completing the green envelope as the gift aid cannot be reclaimed in the absence of this information.

### **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.

### **The Society of St Vincent de Paul**

On Tuesday the SVP were blessed to have a member from the SVP conference of Christ the King parish in Accra, Ghana join our meeting. Juna was in Bath visiting her son and asked if she could come along to see what we do in our SVP and share what her conference do in Ghana. We had a lovely meeting and were so pleased that Yuna could join us.

The SVP is not meeting this Tuesday evening but will be meeting again on 2nd July in the parish office at 7pm. New members are always welcome. If you are able to give some time for practical assistance please ask the SVP for more information on how you can help. If you know anyone that needs any help from the SVP such as befriending, visiting and financial help please contact Lizzie or one of the other SVP members.

### **Beacons**

On Monday afternoon we gathered in the hall to enjoy a good chat and a cream tea and it was lovely to see new faces and little children after their school day. The raffle raised £149.96 for our Parish SVP and we wish to thank all of you who came for your generosity. The next Beacons will be on Monday 15 July from 2 to 4pm in the hall and we look forward to welcoming you.

### **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury – Sun 14th July**

The Annual Pilgrimage to Glastonbury will take place on Sunday, 14th July 2024. This year's pilgrimage will be centred around the theme of *'Mary, Woman of Prayer'*. From 12 noon until 3:00 pm, the Shrine Church will transform into a chapel of Exposition and Silent Adoration, offering a peaceful and contemplative environment just opposite the Abbey grounds. During this time, visiting priests will provide the sacrament of Reconciliation in the Shrine Church. In addition, from 12 noon until 3:00 pm, Private Healing Prayer will be offered in a single tented chapel located just inside the Abbey gates, opposite the Shrine Church. 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. Further information is on the poster on Our Lady's notice board.

### **General Election**

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have issued some *"information and guidance on key issues of importance to us, as Catholics, to help inform how we vote"*. This available online at

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

### **Diocesan Day Sat 6th July**

This year's Diocesan will take place on Saturday 6 July at St Bernadette's Secondary School, Whitchurch, Bristol. The focus of the day will be on Hope – especially in relation to the Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope'. All are invited to join Bishop Bosco as we explore the theme of Hope together. We will look at where our hope lies, as well as our experiences of pilgrimage and where we might journey as a Diocese in 2025. The day will start at 9.30am with refreshments and will include Mass. It will finish by 4pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Everyone is welcome but places are limited, so anyone wishing to attend is asked to register for the day at the Clifton Diocese Eventbrite link at <https://cliftondiocesanday.eventbrite.co.uk>

### **Diocesan Pastoral Ministry Formation course**

A new course begins in the Autumn 2024. It is ideal for any parishioner who seeks to develop their capacity to serve the parish in anyway which they believe the Lord is calling them. If you are interested then you are invited to an information evening, the details of the two nearest are below. At these meetings more detail will be given about what is being offered, time commitment involved, interview process and costs including the role of parishes to support those who are successful in obtaining a place. Each session starts at 7pm, no need to book, just turn up on the evening. Tue 11/6: St Johns, Bath Thurs 27/6: St Catharine, Frome

### **Sunday Collection**

Last week Plate £142.3 Gift Aid Envelopes £99  
Second Collections (Day for Life) £97.5

### **Readers**

11.00: Simon, 18:00: Dominic

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word - Little Church**

This week: Alexia

### **Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul**

This year the Holyday is transferred to the Sunday

### **St John the Baptist**

Monday is the Feast of the birth of St John the Baptist. The church celebrates the birthday of only three people; Jesus, Mary and St. John the Baptist.

Pope Benedict wrote that "John the Baptist had the profound humility to hold up Jesus as the One sent by God, drawing back so that Jesus might take the lead, and be heard and followed. As his last act the Baptist witnessed with his blood to faithfulness to God's commandments, without giving in or withdrawing, carrying out his mission to the very end.

In one of his Homilies the Venerable Bede says: "St John gave his life for Christ. He was not ordered to deny Jesus Christ, but was ordered to keep silent about the truth" And he did not keep silent about the truth and thus died for Christ who is the Truth. Precisely for love of the truth he did not stoop to compromises and did not fear to address strong words to anyone who had strayed from God's path."