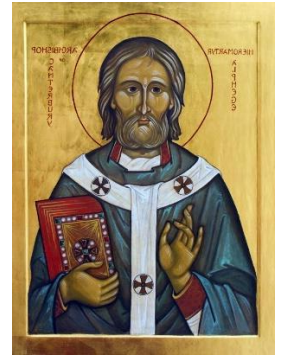


**Parish of
Our Lady and St Alphege, Bath
together with
St Joseph's, Peasedown St John**

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

21st April 2024

The good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep

Mass Times at St Alphege
or St Joseph's, Peasedown if indicated

Sat 20th	Weekday of Easter	
	No Mass	
Sun 21st	Fourth Sunday of Easter	
	9.00	Parishioners (Peasedown)
	11.00	Christian Sherrell
	18.00	Janet Newman+
Mon 22nd	Weekday of Easter	
	No Mass	
Tue 23rd	St George, Martyr, Patron of England	
	10:00	Parishioners
	11.00	Parishioners (Peasedown)
Wed 24th	Weekday of Easter	
	No Mass	
Thu 25th	Feast of St Mark, Evangelist	
	No Mass	
Fri 26th	Weekday of Easter	
	10.00	Lori Griffiths
Sat 27th	Weekday of Easter	
	No Mass	
Sun 28th	Fifth Sunday of Easter	
	9.00	Parishioners (Peasedown)
	11.00	Ezio Motterle
	18.00	Friends of the Suffering Souls

Information

Coffee is served in the Parish Hall after 11.00 Sunday mass
 Confessions..... Sunday 10.30 or on request
 Choir Practice..... 19.00 Wednesdays in Hall
 Psalter 4
 Sunday Readings: Year B
 Weekday Readings: Year 2
 Baptisms & Marriages: Contact the Parish Priest
 Diocesan Prayer League..... University/College/School
 Chaplaincies

Cycle of Prayer: Easter

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work,
 The Right Use of the Media, The Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

Jesus the Good Shepherd defends, knows, and above all loves his sheep. And this is why he gives his life for them (cf Jn 10:15). Love for his sheep, that is, for each one of us, leads him to die on the cross because this is the Father's will - that no one should be lost. Christ's love is not selective; it embraces everyone. He himself reminds us of this in today's Gospel when he says: "And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd" (Jn 10:16). These words testify to his universal concern: He is everyone's shepherd. Jesus wants everyone to be able to receive Father's love and encounter God.

Pope Francis, homily, Fourth Sunday of Easter 2021

Year of Prayer

Pope Francis has asked us to keep 2024 as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Holy Year of 2025. At St John's Church they will be holding a series of talks on prayer. The talks will be held in St John's Church on Tuesdays at 19.00. The remaining dates for the talks are as follows: 30th April The Prayer of the Desert, Fr John Udris; 28th May The Prayer of St Benedict, Fr Mark Hargreaves OSB; 25th June The Prayer of St Dominic, Sr Hyacinthe OP; 23rd July Window on the Divine -Icons, Tamara Penwell; The Prayer of St Martin & St Clare, Fr Maximilian Martin OFM Conv; 29th October The Prayer of Carmel, Fr Michael McAndrew; 26th November The Prayer of St Ignatius Fr James Hanvey SJ.

Give God what's right, not what's left

Let's stand together for life

Help us mark the anniversary of the 1967 Abortion Act by joining the Pro-Life Silent Witness at the junction of London Road and Cleveland Pl, Bath, BA1 5NF on Saturday 27th April between 11am and 1pm.

Contact Gail Mills on 07851 311910

<https://cliftoneucharist.eventbrite.co.uk/>

Clifton Diocese, Finance and Property Support Officer

The Clifton Diocese Curia offices are currently looking to recruit a Finance and Property Support Officer to strengthen its central finance and property functions. The role is a part-time, 2year fixed term contract, to be worked over 25 hours per week and based at Alexander House, Pennywell Road, Bristol. The successful applicant will need to have a comprehensive knowledge of Microsoft Office, good communication and organisational skills, to include time management and working on various tasks simultaneously. Previous administrative experience and a can-do flexible attitude are essential. For further information please go to Working for us | Clifton Diocese or contact Simon Hussey, Head of Finance on 0117 902 5591. The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 10th May 2024.

Clifton Diocese Safeguarding

The Diocese Safeguarding team are currently looking for an individual to join the Safeguarding Committee and sit in on the Risk Allegation Review meetings.

Suitable volunteers should have in depth knowledge and experience of safeguarding, particularly health/mental health. The role is voluntary and would require a commitment of one 2hour meeting approximately five times per year for the Safeguarding Committee and also the Risk Allegation Review Meeting. The meetings can be attended in person or online and there will be some pre-reading prior to the meetings. If you are interested, please contact the Safeguarding Coordinator Janice Pearson on janice.pearson@cliftondiocese.com or 07887 990385.

Living the Common Good

Discerning Challenges and Responses will take place 18 May 2024 from 10am to 4pm at St Brendan's Sixth Form College, Brislington, Bristol. It will be a day of formation and community, bringing people together in prayer to discern the practical ways to live the common good. There is no cost to attend. Please register at cliftonlivingthecommongood.eventbrite.co.uk

New Parish Priest

The Bishop has appointed Monsignor Robert Corrigan to be Parish Priest at Our Lady & St Alphege, together with St Joseph, Peasedown. Since 2008 Mgr Corrigan has been serving as a member of the Bishoprict of the Forces within the Royal Army Chaplains Department. His current post is as Senior Chaplain at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, where all Officers for the Army undertake their training. His first Sunday services will be on 5 May.

Special Thanks to Fr Tibor and Fr Ian

Deepest gratitude to Fr Tibor and Fr Ian for supporting our parish in these four months. We wish them good health and God's blessings always.

Financial Appeal

Following the discussion of finances at the parish meeting last month, the Fabric and Finance Committee will be making a financial appeal at morning and evening mass on Sunday 21st and 28th of April.

Printed copies of the financial appeal are available with this bulletin, and graphs explaining our financial position are on display at the back of the church.

First Holy Communion

The remaining dates for the First Holy Communion sessions are: April 21st and 28th, May 12th (with an additional practice after Mass). The First Holy Communion Mass will be on Sunday 19th May 2024.



Please do pray for Abigail, Audrey, Chimbudike, Eloy, Holly, Isabelle, Mabel and Sofia who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion.

True prayer is asking God what He wants

William Barclay

Beacons

The hall was buzzing on Monday afternoon and we all went home happier after meeting up with lovely people and tasting delicious refreshments not forgetting a beautiful home made parsnip and ginger cake!

We were raising funds for the Little Sisters Of The Poor in Bristol and we also sold 49 raffle tickets for their St Joseph's Home Summer Fayre. Altogether we raised £153.96. Thank you all for your generosity and see you all and more at our next Beacons on 20 May.

The Little Sisters of The Poor

Raffle tickets for their St Joseph's Home Summer Fayre will be for sale in the hall after the 11am Mass for a few Sundays. They are £2.50 each and there are 15 prizes, the 1st being a helicopter tour with bubbly for 2, the second an Apple watch and the third a balloon ride.

Family Mass

There will be family mass on 5th May, 2nd June and 7th July. Please encourage your child to volunteer and let Lizzie or the Parish Office know.

Upcoming Special Collections

21st April Clergy Training Fund, 5th May Children's Society

Sunday Collection

Last week Plate £239.37 Gift Aid Envelopes £32

Readers

11.00: Bibian, 18:00: Grainne

Forthcoming Dates

First Communion.....19th May
Beacons.....20th May