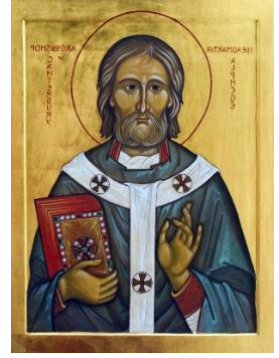


**Parish of
Our Lady and St Alphege, Bath
together with
St Joseph's, Peasedown St John**

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

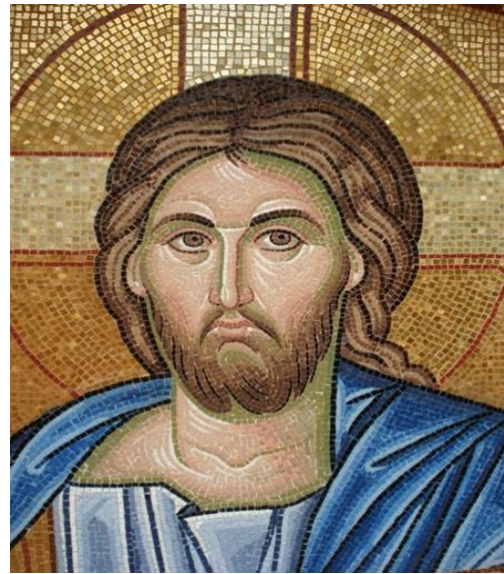
17th March 2024

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest

Mass Times at St Alphege

or St Joseph's, Peasedown if indicated

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| Sat 16th | Weekday of Lent | |
| | No Mass | |
| Sun 17th | Fifth Sunday of Lent | |
| | 9.00 | Parishioners (Peasedown) |
| | 11.00 | Fr Stephen Ortiger+ |
| | 18.00 | Destiny Rauh+ |
| Mon 18th | Weekday of Lent | |
| | No Mass | |
| Tue 19th | Solemnity of St Joseph | |
| | 10:00 | Cynthia Haynes+ |
| | 11.00 | Parishioners (Peasedown) |
| Wed 20th | Weekday of Lent | |
| | No Mass | |
| Thu 21th | Weekday of Lent | |
| | No Mass | |
| Fri 22th | Weekday of Lent | |
| | 10.00 | |
| Sat 23th | Weekday of Lent | |
| | No Mass | |
| Sun 24th | Palm Sunday of the passion of the Lord | |
| | 9.00 | Parishioners (Peasedown) |
| | 11.00 | Margaret Simpson+ |
| | 18.00 | Parishionerss |



Easter Ceremonies 2024

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| Palm Sunday | 24th | 11.00 | Mass & Blessing Palms |
| Tue of Holy Week | 26th | 10.00 | Mass |
| Maundy Thursday | 28th | 19.00 | Mass (watching at Altar of Repose until 10 pm) |
| Good Friday | 29th | 15.00 | |
| Easter Virgil | 30th | 19.00 | |
| Easter Sunday | 31st | 11.00 | (Remember the clocks go forward!) |
| | | No 6 pm Mass | |
| Easter Monday | 1 st | No Mass | |
| Tuesday | 2 nd | 10.00 | |

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week.

The 11 o'clock Mass will start in the parish hall for the commemoration of the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem. The palms (provided) will be blessed and then we will process to the church.

The Passion of the Lord according to St Mark will be read in three parts.

Maundy Thursday and Easter Virgil: Please do bring a bell with you which you are invited to ring during the Gloria.

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.....1
 Sunday Readings:..... Year B
 Weekday Readings:..... Year 2
 Baptisms & Marriages:..... Contact the Parish Priest
 Diocesan Prayer League..... St George, Warminster

Cycle of Prayer: Lent

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

RESIGNATION OF THE BISHOP OF CLIFTON AND APPOINTMENT OF A NEW BISHOP

The Right Rev Bishop Declan Lang has announced his resignation after 23 years of loving and faithful service as Bishop to the Diocese of Clifton. His successor will be Bishop elect Bosco Macdonald, currently Dean of the Cathedral Church of St Peter & Paul, Bristol

Knock Pilgrimage 2024

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 12th May 2024. £899.00 pps. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268762278 or 07740175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

New Bath Prolife Group

The next Bath SPUC branch meeting will take place on 20 March at 7pm, in St John the Evangelist Parish Hall. We plan to meet once a month and are looking forward to doing as much as possible to protect the sanctity of life. All are welcome, if you have any questions please contact Ilaria Mills; 07903465300.

St Marys Open Church

We invite you to join us as we are opening our church on the last Thursday of every month starting 28th March 10am-12 noon for private prayer and a new venture of a knit and natter group. Everyone is welcome. Please email Pat and Joy if you would like to come. patjoy.kelly@gmail.com

Conversations with Catholic Mothers

University of Bath student looking to hold 30-minute conversations with Catholic mothers about their motherhood experiences and emotions, influenced by their faith. Full information is on the Notice Board. Please email Emma Connell if you'd like to participate ecpc21@bath.ac.uk

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.

Easter Altar Server Rehearsal

If your child is planning to serve at any of the liturgical services during the Easter Triduum your child needs to attend a rehearsal taking place on Saturday 23 March at 11am in the Church. We look forward to seeing your child at this rehearsal.

*If you don't behave as you believe,
you will end by believing as you
behave*

Ven Fulton J. Sheen

Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross on Sundays at 5.15pm.

Easter Offerings

The Easter Offertory Collection customarily goes to the priest and forms a considerable portion of his annual income. This year, in the absence of a permanent Parish Priest, the Easter offering will go to Fr Tibor and Fr Ian in appreciation for all their support over the last 3 months.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for 12 volunteers for feet washing on Maundy Thursday and Welcomers for the 11am Mass. If you are interested, please sign your name on the form at the entrance of the Church.

Easter Flowers

We are having a little extra collection for Easter Flowers. There is a clearly marked box on the table at the back of the church. If everyone gave only £1 our talented, & much appreciated, flower arrangers could make a really wonderful display! Thank you in advance!

Easter Egg Hunt



Donations of Easter eggs required for the Easter egg hunt which will take place after the 11am mass on Easter Sunday. Please leave donations in the marked box at the back of the church. Many thanks.

Upcoming Special Collections

31st March Holy See, 21st April Clergy Training Fund

Sunday Collection

Last week Plate £280.71 Gift Aid Envelopes £52
Second Collections (Little Sisters of the Poor) £486.11

Readers

11.00: Karen, 18.00: Dominic

Little Church

This week: Alexia

*Those who cannot change their minds
cannot change anything*



Forthcoming Dates

Beacons.....18th March
Easter Sunday.....31st March