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**2021 THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH** As a maker of tables, food was important to St Joseph. His times of family bonding around the table in his own home were as important to him as there are to us. In a traditional Jewish home, the family table is also a place of worship, especially on the Sabbath and when welcoming guests. We must remember that home is a holy place and that moments of enjoyment at the family table anticipate the joys of the heavenly banquet of the Church in heaven. Don't forget grace before and after meals.



**PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL** Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

**DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING** The Safeguarding Team will be delivering safeguarding awareness sessions to volunteers on the following dates and times. The training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams therefore, if you would like to attend, please contact Beci Monks on [rebecca.monks@cliftodiocese.com](mailto:rebecca.monks@cliftodiocese.com) Beci will send you a link to the training a little nearer the time. Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am – 11.00am

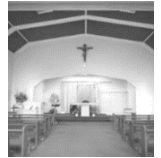


This Sunday's Gospel tells of the miracle Feeding the 5000 with five loaves and two fish. They all ate and were satisfied. We are reminded of the Mass and of the need to provide for the needy around the world. .



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**ORDINARY SUNDAY XVII (Year B)**

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Jul 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Ian Watterson RIP)  
 11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populis)  
**6.30pm Socially Distanced Mass in St Peter's**  
**7.30pm Reception of the Cortège for Robert Saturnus**

**WORSHIP THIS WEEK - WEEK XVII Year 1)**

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Jul Sts. Joachim and Anne  
**11.30am Funeral Requiem in St Peter's of Robert Saturnus**  
 Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Jul Feria of Week 17  
 9.30am Mass in St Peter's  
 Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Jul Feria  
 10.00am Mass in St Michael's  
 Thu 29<sup>th</sup> Jul St Martha & the Saints of Bethany  
**No Mass – Fr. Philip's Day off**  
 Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Jul St Peter Chrysologus  
 9.30am Mass in St Peter's  
 Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Jul St Ignatius of Loyola  
 10.00am Mass in St Michael's



**ORDINARY SUNDAY XVIII (Year B) [St Peter Ad Vincula]**

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Pro Populis)  
 11.00am Mass in St Peter's (for the Souls in Purgatory especially of the Palarz, Adamczyk, Krakowczyk & Piecha families)  
**6.30pm Socially Distanced Mass in St Peter's**

***CONFESSIONS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, AT THE MOMENT***



**WELCOME** As always, we welcome any visitors and newcomers to our parish, asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces. We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.

We are delighted to say that after eighteen months, we can invite everyone for coffee and refreshments after Mass. Please join us.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD & MASS PROPERS

### Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place, God Who unites those who dwell in His house; He Himself gives might and strength to His people.

### First Reading

2 Kings 4:42-44 *They will eat, and have some left over*

### Responsorial Psalm

You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

### Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1-6 *One faith, one baptism, One God*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

### Gospel

John 6:1-15 *The feeding of the five thousand*

### Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- For the sick, at home, in hospital, in a nursing home or in a hospice.
- Parishioners of both Parishes, family, friends and all who have asked for our prayers.
- The dead in Christ - Robert Saturnus, Seamus Darragh and all who have died recently. All whose Anniversary are about this time.
- Our Diocesan Prayer Link this weekend is with Dursely of St Dominic and Nympsfield of St Joseph.



Brittany, at Ste Anne d'Auray, and in Quebec at Ste Anne de Beauré.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Aug.** Solemnity of the Assumption. We hope to have a united BBQ for both parishes. Details to be announced

**Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.** Noon, feast of the Guardian Angels. This will be First Holy Communion Day for our candidates in Cirencester

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE:** Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October @ 12Noon and is inviting all married couples to join him. However, if you are celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 65<sup>th</sup> or 70<sup>th</sup>; please let the parish office know, you will receive a personal invite.



## WHAT RELAXATION OF RESTRICTIONS WILL LOOK LIKE IN OUR TWO PARISHES

1. Hand sanitizing liquid still to be used on entering and leaving Mass instead of holy water
2. The return of mass cards and hymn books
3. Wearing of face coverings to continue
4. Receiving the Blessed Sacrament under one kind
5. Return of singing
6. Return of Offertory Bags No sign of peace by touching, but waving still if you wish

**TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS:** Unfortunately, due to a decree from the Pope in Rome, Fr Philip along with many other priests around the world, has had to cease celebrating Mass in the Traditional Latin Rite, until such time as he may be granted permission by our own Bishop Declan. Please remember Fr. Philip, who offered these Masses in addition to the normal daily Mass at this time.

**READERS IN ST MICHAEL'S AND ST PETER'S:** In view of the relaxation of the rules, we will be returning to our normal practice of having two readers, before the Gospel, one for each lesson, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> August. We must record our thanks who have helped us in both churches, whilst we have not had rotas and faced restrictions. Their willingness is much appreciated. IT IS NOW OUR HOPE THAT THOSE WHO READ BEFORE LOCKDOWN WILL BE WILLING AND ABLE TO BE ON A ROTA ONCE AGAIN. EVERY PARISH RELIES ON VOLUNTEERS. WE ARE ALSO SEEKING FLOWER ARRANGERS AND A ROTA FOR COFFEE. WELCOMERS AT THE DOOR ARE ALSO NEEDED. PLEASE CONTACT THE RELEVANT PARISH OFFICE.

**THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES BELIEVES THAT WITH THE FURTHER RELAXATION OF REGULATIONS IT IS NOW INCREASINGLY POSSIBLE FOR THE FAITHFUL TO RETURN TO SUNDAY MASS THIS ALSO MEANS THE RETURNING OF THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS**

**NEW TO THE PARISH?** Please fill in a registration form and take an active part in our two welcoming Parishes

**ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER** If you have an item for the Newsletter, please email it to the Parish Office by 12.00noon; thank you.