

# The Catholic Parishes of Saint Francis of Assisi, Nailsea & Saint Joseph, Portishead

## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2020 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



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#### This Week's Mass Times

Saturday 24th October	6pm	St Joseph	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Sunday 25th October	9am	St Joseph		People of the Parish
	Ham	St Francis		People of the Parish
	6pm	St Francis		
Monday 26th October	9am	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tuesday 27th October	10am	St Joseph	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Wednesday 28th October	7pm	St Francis	Feast of Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles	Jackie Dossett (RIP) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann)
Thursday 29th October	9.15am	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Friday 30th October	10am	St Joseph	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Saturday 31st October	10am	St Joseph	Our Lady on Saturday	
	6pm	St Joseph	Solemnity of All Saints	

**Confessions** Adoration

Saturday 5.30-5.50pm St Joseph Tuesday 2-3pm St Francis
Sunday 5.30-5.50pm St Francis Wednesday 12-9pm St Joseph
Thursday 8-9pm St Francis

**Entrance Antiphon** Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;

turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

**Psalm Response** I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,

to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

#### THE WORD THIS WEEK

When you look at something like the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and see its 691 pages, or look at the 2,000 pages of the big Jerusalem Bible, you can be forgiven for thinking that Christianity is a complicated affair. But Jesus reminds us today that it is essentially very simple: everything can be summed up in two basic rules: love God, love your neighbour. Exodus backs this up, by talking about the simple love that we must show to each other. Not that this is easy - love is always costly, and involves some degree of sacrifice. We will have to change, to become perfect in love; but it is possible, and when we do, like the people of Thessalonica, we become a great example to people everywhere.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available between 5.30pm and 5.50pm on Saturdays at St Joseph's and at the same time at St Francis' on Sundays. Fr Richard will be available for confessions in his office at St Joseph's and in the meeting room in the hall at St Francis'. Confessions are also available by appointment.

#### SECOND COLLECTION - MISSIO

The Second Collection this weekend will be for Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, following on from World Mission Sunday last weekend. If you would like to donate online please visit <a href="https://www.missio.org.uk/donate">www.missio.org.uk/donate</a> and select "World Mission Sunday".

#### **HOLY WATER**

If you would like Holy Water for use at home, please bring a bottle of tap water to Fr Richard before or after any Mass so that he can bless it for you.

### ZOOM MEETING FOR PARISHIONERS AT HOME

Fr Richard will be hosting an online meeting for any parishioners from both St Joseph's and St Francis' who are not currently attending Mass on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm. This will be an opportunity to meet him and to meet up with one another. Please contact Fr Richard at <a href="mailto:richard.elson@cliftondiocese.com">richard.elson@cliftondiocese.com</a> for a link to the meeting.

#### **YOUTH 2000 ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES**

If you are wanting to engage in some online formation, digital conversation and building of community with other young people then have a look at <a href="https://www.youth2000.org/events">www.youth2000.org/events</a>. There may be something for you.

#### CLIFTON DIOCESE AND DOWNSIDE ABBEY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

28 July to 6 August 2021. Father Colin Mason, who is the Vocations Director for Clifton Diocese, will be one of the Spiritual Directors on next year's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This is the third such trip which has been designed specifically for young UK Catholic adults in the age range 18 to 35ish. In addition to celebrating Mass at some of the Holiest places on Earth, exploring places mentioned in the Bible and other historic sites, we also have a lot of fun! Imagine swimming in the Dead Sea, rafting down the Jordan River, and camping out in the ludean Desert! To get a better idea of what it will be like, please check out YouCAN Instagram handle youngcatholicadultnetworkuk. You can see pics also of last year's trip https://youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk/ In our present situation we are just asking for a £150 reservation fee to gauge interest, returnable should we decide, for whatever reason, not to go. About a third of the places have already been booked. Contact the organiser rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk for Itinerary, pricing and booking form. Hope that you can make it!

#### **BETTY SMITHSON**

This week we are sad to have to say farewell to Betty who is moving up to be near to her daughter in Manchester. Betty has lived in Nailsea since 1961 so is one of our earliest parishioners. It will be hard for us lose her and hard for her to settle in a new place at this particular time of lockdown. We pray for her and her family and wish her well in the years ahead.

#### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - BACKWELL**

This year's Remembrance service will be held at St Andrews on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 11 am. It will be led by Rev Deborah Mallett. Due to the pandemic, this year, it will be by invitation only. Arrangements in the church will be as at St Francis: social distancing, face covering etc. If you would like to be invited to attend, please will you let Chris Elliott know by this Friday evening, 23<sup>rd</sup> October on 463269.