



MASS TIMES
Epiphany of Lord
& Ordinary Weekdays



ST GEORGE'S			ST TERESA'S		
Sat Vigil	17:30	Carlo Cotone RIP	Sat		
Sun	08:00	Stephen Keevil RIP	Sun Music	11:00 Group	People of the Parish
Choir	09:30	Margaret Mary Butler RIP		17:00	Joe Caldwell RIP
Mon 9th	09:30	The Baptism of the Lord Mary Thompson			
Tues 10th	09:30	Intention of Peggy Carrig			
Wed 11th	09:30	Madeleine Hill RIP			
Thurs 12th	11:30 12:30	Rosary For all Deceased Migrants & Boat People			
Friday	09:30	Brian John Randall RIP	Fri	10:00	Mgr Patrick Lynch RIP
Sat 14th	09:15 09:30 10:00	Morning Prayer Jane & John Clarke— Golden Wedding Anniversary Rosary			

NEXT SUNDAY 15/01/17 — SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - PSALTER WEEK 2

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Sat Vigil	17:30	Intention of Chantelle & Adrian Hale			
Sun	08:00	Mona Duddridge RIP	Sun Music	11:00 Group	People of the Parish
Music	09:30	Alan Thistlethwaite RIP		17:00	Walker & Byrne Families

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY—SUBJECT TO CHANGE SHOULD THERE BE NO MASS OR A REQUIEM TAKING PLACE

ST GEORGE'S - THURSDAY: 12.00-12:20 CONFESSIONS

EXPOSITION & SIMPLE BENEDICTION WITH PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS DURING CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 10:00-10:30 & 17:00-17:20 CONFESSIONS

ROSARY 11:45AM THURSDAYS & AFTER MASS ON SATURDAY MORNINGS

ST TERESA'S - CONFESSIONS BY REQUEST



TAUNTON CATHOLIC CHURCH
ONE GOD, ONE FAMILY, ONE COMMUNITY

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8th January 2017 - Newsletter 866 - Psalter Week 3 - Year A - Ordinary Weekdays

Sunday Readings: First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 71; Second Reading: Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 3:2-3.56 & Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12



ENTRY *Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.*

RESPONSE *All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.*

ACCLAMATION *Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!*

COMMUNION *We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING & THEIR FAMILIES:

SICK: Christopher Browne, Martin Connolly, Iain Polley, Carmel Allan, Sheila Sullivan, Sean Strickland, Bob Wilkinson, Mary Wallace, Julie Teague, Alf Ryan, Margaret Kilcullen, Jim Baker, Vic Smith, Doris Purkis, John St John Napier, Norman SurrIDGE, Hazy Richardson, Peter & Joan Walker, Sr Michelle SSJA, Esther Page, Philip Fearon, Carole Marden, Michael Festing, Riza Carol Khan, Lochlan Quinlan, Harvey Hewer, Sr Raymond SSJA, Harvey Godber & all who are sick at this time.

DEATHS

ANNIV: Winifred Heard, Bernard Young, Sean Saunders, Joyce Southall, Stephen Keevil, Jo Fitzhugh, Elsie Oaten, Winifred Woods, Monica Carpenter, Margaret Mulqueen, Neville Osborne, Margaret Pegge, Catherine Geraghty, Nora Harkin, Madeleine Hill, Muriel Simons, Patrick Halloran, Gordon Bone, Rosemary Spencer, Annette Everett, Tom Verrier, Donna Eills, Christina Hindley, Deborah Bradshaw, Teresa Poole, Betty Thomas, Sylvia McArthur, Jose French & all whose anniversary occurs at this time

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK: Glastonbury Our Lady, St Mary of Glastonbury/Shepton Mallet St Michael

CONTACT US - Parish Team:

Parish Priest: Canon Alan Finley; **Assistant Priest:** Fr David Savoury

Permanent Deacons: Rev Trevor Jones & Rev Ed Channing

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CANON ALAN FINLEY WRITES:

I type these words on the "Twelfth Night" - well day actually!

Traditionally our Christmas decorations, and tree (both our churches have looked lovely through the Christmas Season - thanks to all who have prepared them in any way) are removed, also our cards. But the good will of every day of every season does not end.

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, the "manifestation" or "showing," "revealing" of God, not just to the Three Wise Men guided by a star, but guidance given by God for us today. So He asks us to show His love, kindness, faithfulness, courage to those in our world around us. I believe in Italy, today is known as "Little Christmas." May it be for us too as we share gifts, especially the gift of our faith with the people of God. May the Epiphany be a Feast Day for us every day of this new year.

God Bless: Fr Alan

EVENTS IN THE PARISH IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

There will be sherry & mince pies after St George's morning Masses today, 8th January, in the Parish Centre. All welcome to join us.

The nearly new paperback bookstall - We are always glad to receive good quality books to sell, please bring them in at any time. The next stall will be held *Sunday 8th January 2017*.

ST TERESA'S CHURCH NOTICES

There will be coffee in the house after 11am Mass on today Epiphany, 8th January 2017.

FR ALAN'S FINLEY'S FAREWELL ON SUNDAY 29TH JANUARY

Talking with parishioners I know how sorry we all are that Father Alan is leaving us at the end of the month. His wonderfully pastoral presence has been something very much appreciated by the people of St George's and St Teresa's. Still, we shall not part in sorrow: to that end, on Sunday 29th January, there will be a farewell reception for Father Alan in the Catholic Centre, beginning at midday.

We hope that many people will be able to attend and give our dear Parish Priest a good send-off.

In tribute to Father Alan there will be a retiring collection at the end of each Mass on the weekend of 15th of January.

Fr. David

CALLING ALL SINGERS & INSTRUMENTALISTS—FR ALAN'S LEAVING MASS

If you would like to come & join in with the music for the Fr Alan's leaving Mass at 9.30am on Sunday 29th January at St Georges Church, there will be practice on Thursday 26th January 7.30pm – 9pm. If you play an instrument please advise Anne-Marie Twort or the Parish Office so that we can have the correct music ready for you. Do come along you will be very welcome

COLLECTIONS:

St George's: Collection: £1020; **St Teresa's:** Collection: £246

There will be a retiring collection at all Masses next weekend for Fr Alan Finley.

December 200 Club Draw Winners: £47: J Hulme; **£28:** P Walker & **£18:** M MacAuley

Thank you for your generosity.

MISCELLANEOUS

The rotas for St George's Readers & Eucharistic Ministers for January to March are available for collection at the back of the church.

Bookshop: please support your church & pay us a visit. Opening times: Sunday, 8.30am-11.30am

Open Door: Always greatly appreciated sleeping bags, blankets, warm clothing. Donations of these & tinned & non-perishable food always welcome. A box is available at both churches.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

A New Year Resolution? Could you think of joining the St Vincent de Paul Society? Come to a taster meeting with our small, active, happy group of members held in the Rectory for one hour every other Tuesday, and discover the work of the SVP in our community and abroad. For more information contact the Parish Office by email or telephone 01823 272700.

ST GEORGE'S MUSIC GROUP

The next Music Group practice is Friday, 13th January, 7.30pm – 9pm, in St George's Church. If you sing or play an instrument do come along and join in you will be very welcome.

SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH CARE

"Thank you to all who have so generously contributed items for use by the Occupational Health on Holford Ward." **Deacon Trevor Jones.**

DIOCESAN DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

A Celebration of Marriage Mass is taking place in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 11th February at 12noon as part of National Marriage Week. This celebration is for the whole diocesan community and especially our married couples. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this coming year & are attending the Mass, please ring 0117 902 5595.

Celebrating Lent & Easter— You are all invited to a day to reflect on the richness of the Lent & Easter Seasons. This day will be on Saturday, 18 February 2017, 10am – 3.30pm at St Brendan's, Brislington, Bristol; lunch will be provided for those registered. FFI/to register tel: 0117 902 5595 or email: richard.williams@cliftondiocese.com *by 15 February 2017.*

NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR RURAL CATHOLICS

The next National Conference for Rural Catholics, which is being held in the Clifton Diocese & with Bishop Declan in attendance, is at Sarum College, Salisbury, February 13-15, 2017. Topics to include: "The Bishop, the Rural Parish & the shortage of Clergy"; the changing roles of The Rural Deacon; the Rural Head-teacher; & the Rural GP. We shall also be looking at grain, specialist seeds & for any who walk or have animals, a talk on ticks & mosquitos by a Porton Down expert. The conference is open to residents or non-residents. FFI contact Fr Robert Miller (CBCEW National Rural Officer) on 01747 870228 or email: www.tisburywardourparish.org