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26 November 2017, Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL Response every Sunday: "Lord, graciously hear us."

PLEASE PRAY for all whose anniversary occurs at this time including Anne Rowland and Dorothy Lander. May they rest in peace.



MINI CHRISTMAS BAZAAR TODAY

We have our annual Mini Bazaar in the parish room after Mass TODAY. Come and try your luck at our Odd Socks game, and visit the stalls selling Christmas gifts and decorations, cakes, books and videos; and enjoy some seasonal refreshments with your tea or coffee. We will also be holding the 100 Club Draw for November. Good luck everyone!

Special thanks to everyone who has kindly brought gifts to sell, or offered to help on a stall.

MONTH OF PERPETUAL ADORATION AT DOWNSIDE

The month which began on November 1st in the Crypt Chapel at Downside Abbey is continuing into December (2nd - 9th) do please go along if you have a moment to spare. For more information contact rinabird@outlook.com..

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Many thanks for those who have enrolled their children. We need more adult helpers. Please think if you are able to help out. If we do not have volunteers, then we cannot catechise the children. If you can help, then please contact Fr Bede on bede.rowe@cliftondiocese.com

CONFIRMATION

I am also now collecting names of young adults 13+ who wish to be confirmed. At the moment, I just need names and contact details, then I will put together the course and the confirmation date. Please contact me on bede.rowe@cliftondiocese.com Fr Bede

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY – behold, prepare, watch, rejoice!

Christians Together in Shepton Mallet have arranged for four Bible Study meetings during Advent, each at 8pm in the Parish Room. The dates are Tuesdays, November 28th, December 5th, 12th and 19th. What better way to prepare for Christmas? Refreshments available.

CAR PARK

The numbered spaces in the car park are now fully let. This is good news for the income of the parish, but please note we cannot use any of the numbered spaces at the front of the church except, of course, on Sundays.

MASS IN THE POLISH LANGUAGE

There will be a Mass in Polish at St Michael's next Saturday 2nd December, at 4pm.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK 26 November – 3 December 2017

Sun Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Holy Souls)

Mass at 9.00am

Mon Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Service

Tue Weekday in Ordinary Time (Derek Scholefield RIP)

Mass at 9.15am

Wed Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Service

Thur St Andrew, Apostle

No Service

Fri S Alexander Briant (Margaret Eggleston RIP)

Mass at 9.15am

Sat St Osmund

Confessions 11.30 – 12noon, Polish Mass at 4pm

Sun First Sunday of Advent, Year B

Exposition 8.15am – 8.45am, Mass at 9.00am

Sunday Mass at St Mary's, Glastonbury, Saturday 6.00pm; Sunday 11.00am and 6.00pm (Latin).

FROM THE ROTAS

TODAY 26 November

The Eucharist Dcn Richard, C Davies, T Horten-Smith **The Word** Oliver Hutton, Rhona Carr

Coffee Christine Davies, Mary Rymes

THIS WEEK AND NEXT SUNDAY :27 November – 3 December

Cleaning Teresa McAllister and Pam Payne

Flowers No flowers in Advent

Welcome Christine Davies

The Word Edward Moreland, Tim Horten-Smith

The Eucharist Dcn Richard, F Moreland, C Rossiter

Coffee Danuta Szablewska

OFFERTORY COLLECTION last Sunday = £134.96 (incl. £17.00 Gift Aided) Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTIONS There will be a special collection during December for flowers for Christmas.

PARISH DIARY

Mon 27 Nov 6-8pm Alpha in the parish room

Tue 28 Nov 8pm Christians Together Advent Bible Study in the parish room.

Wed 29 Nov 7pm Legion of Mary meeting in the parish room.

Thur 30 Nov 1.45 – 2.30pm Mothers Prayers in the parish room

Wed 6 Dec 10.30-12.00 Christians Together Coffee Morning in the parish room.

Sat 9 Dec 10am-3pm Soaking Prayer in the parish room – see below

A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE

A Future Full of Hope is the title of the Bishop's three year programme which begins by focussing on 'Mission'. This first year which runs from Advent 2017 to Advent 2018 is being launched with Vespers in Clifton Cathedral at 7.00pm on Wednesday 29th November. All are welcome.

SOAKING PRAYER

Our friends from St Peter and Paul church have organised a 'Day of Soaking Prayer for women' to take place in the Parish Room on Saturday December 9th, 10am till 3pm. Come aside from the busy-ness of life and spend time with God. Christian music will be playing and aids to prayer available, or you may just want to come and sit. Stay ten minutes or three hours – it's up to you – you will be made welcome. Simple refreshment will be available and there is no charge. All women are welcome.

FUNDRAISING IN 2018

Fundraising is an important part of parish life, not just financially, but socially too. In January (date to be agreed) we shall have a little get together to pool ideas for the coming year, so please think about what events you would like to see happen, and better still, what you might be able to help organise. Jacky

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Red box holders, please collect your free 2018 calendar waiting for you in your pigeon hole in the church porch, and any other correspondence that might be there for you.

Bulletin News Please send any items for inclusion by the Thursday before publication to Jacky Tucker 01749 830695, email: jax.tucker@btinternet.com

Gift Aid it If you wish to join the Gift Aid scheme or understand it better, please contact Julia Yardley, Parish Treasurer, tel: 01749 831435