

# ST JOSEPH'S, STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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### TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - PSALTER WEEK 1

ST JOSEPH'S			THE ANNUNCIATION	
Sun	9.00am	<i>Mass: People of parish</i>	11.00am	<i>Mass: People of parish</i>
Mon		No Mass		No Mass
Tue		No Mass		No Mass
Wed		No Mass		No Mass
Thurs		No Mass		No Mass
Fri		No Mass		No Mass
Sat		No Mass		No Mass

### LECTIONARY

Sun	Is 55: 6-9	Psalm 144: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18	Phil 1: 20-24, 27	Matthew 20: 1-16
Mon	Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13	Psalm 18: 2-5		Matthew 9: 9-13
Tues	Prv 21: 1-6, 10-13	Psalm 118: 1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44		Luke 8: 19-21
Wed	Prv 30: 5-9	Psalm 118: 29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163		Luke 9: 1-6
Thurs	Eccl 1: 2-11	Psalm 89: 3-6, 12-14, 17		Luke 9: 7-9
Fri	Eccl 3: 1-11	Psalm 143: 1-4		Luke 9: 18-22
Sat	Eccl 11: 9- 12: 8	Psalm 89: 3-6, 12-14, 17		Luke 9: 43-45

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT ST JOSEPH'S

Vi. Burrage, Mike Gibbons and Olga, Julie Wood, Elizabeth Carr, Mary Evans, Rosemary Mabud,  
Aine Anderson, Mary Scully, Maggie

#### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Winifred Melia, Michael McLoughlin, Anthony Timlin, John O'Hare, Ellen Hopkins

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT THE ANNUNCIATION

Fr. Richard Finn O.P. and family, Rebekah Hollingshead, Brendon Conboy, Della Cox, Barry Norris,  
Cynthia Stevens, Peggy Chapman, Barry Taylor, John Presland, Tony Thompson, Georgina Mazzone, Frances  
Little, Christopher Notley, Trese Hulbert, Elizabeth Lillinton, Tina Hathaway, Phil Goodwin, Chris Jay

#### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Kevin Pigott, Sr. M. Clare Thomas, Christina Wilson, Mabel Rudge, Lionel Burge, Dorothy Tolwinska, Mary Smith,  
Winifred Stinern, William Davies, Michael McKnight, Agnes Wilberforce, Sr. M. Paul Gentle, Ernest Currie

#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

That the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

Taunton: St George/St Teresa of Lisieux; Wellington, with Wiveliscombe: St John Fisher

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

**CURRENTLY WE ARE ONLY HAVING SUNDAY MASS: 9AM MASS AT ST JOSEPH AND 11AM AT WOODCHESTER. ADMITTANCE TO MASS IS ON A "FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE" BASIS. THERE IS NO NEED TO CALL OR EMAIL AHEAD OF TIME. SUNDAY OBLIGATION IS STILL REMOVED AT PRESENT.**

### IN GENERAL

#### GOSPEL REFLECTION

If we need reminding of how much God loves us, then today's parable does just that. God is all loving and all giving – no measurements involved. Given the nature of our humanity, there is a tendency for us to be judgemental about the generosity of others if it doesn't impact favourably on us. Perhaps we think justice is about making sure that we receive that which we perceive to be our right reward, our just desert. Fr. Jack Mahoney SJ writes of a different kind of justice, the justice of need, as promoted by Pope Leo XIII when he wrote in his encyclical *Rerum novarum*: 'if one man hires out to another his strength or skill, he does so for the purpose of receiving in return what is necessary for the satisfaction of his needs.' (n. 5). God sees the unique needs of every individual and responds accordingly to that need. This is the challenge given to us today. Who are the people in most need in our community, in our locality, in our world? Can we respond to their needs with great generosity, not measuring out what we think someone is worth but giving without counting the cost?

#### CAFOD CLIFTON HARVEST DAY

To find out the alternative ways that the CAFOD Appeal is happening this year, a number of meetings via Zoom are taking place. The date of the meeting for our Stroud Deanery is Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> September at 4.30pm. Please contact Liz Baldwin at CAFOD Clifton for the Zoom link details: [ebaldwin@cafod.org](mailto:ebaldwin@cafod.org)

#### WEARING OF FACE MASKS

All those who are attending churches must wear a face covering unless they are exempt from doing so. This is for the good of all who gather in the Church for Mass as it is an enclosed public space where there are people from differing households who do not normally meet. Priests in the sanctuary providing they are sufficiently distant (2m or more) from the congregation do not need to wear a face covering except when distributing Holy Communion. Other ministers in the sanctuary should wear face coverings and remain socially distant from the celebrant. Please keep face coverings in place as you approach the celebrant for Holy Communion. If you arrive without a face mask you will find that there are some available at the entrance. Finally, please ensure you have your face mask on before coming into the porch, and keep it on until you exit the church.

#### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: NEW ONLINE EXPERIENCE FOR MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT!

Marriage Encounter are excited to announce a new online experience for marriage enrichment. For the past 50 years Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been offering marriage enrichment retreats all around the world. Focused on couples who want to enrich their relationship and gain a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage, it offers a unique experience to explore your relationship at a deeper, more intimate level, regardless of how long you have been together. During the Coronavirus pandemic our residential retreats have had to be cancelled so we are reaching out to couples who want to deepen their relationship by offering a newly energised video conferenced retreat. The next Marriage Encounter Online Experience is 26 & 27 September 2020, why not find out more at [www.wwme.org.uk](http://www.wwme.org.uk) or contact us on 0845 260 2016.

#### STARTING SCHOOL?

If you have a child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2021 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the Gloucester Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2021.

#### COULD YOU BE A SCHOOL GOVERNER?

The Diocese is seeking to recruit people to serve on school governing bodies. If you believe in Catholic education, have enthusiasm and commitment, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing body of a Catholic school. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, for the benefit of the children in our schools. If you think you could serve as a Foundation Governor then please contact [bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com) or 07710094976 for more information – he would be delighted to hear from you.

### THE ANNUNCIATION

#### CAFOD

Just before Lockdown, we gave out lots of CAFOD collecting boxes which normally would have been brought back to Church at Easter. In order to send much needed funds to CAFOD, please could you bring your boxes back to Woodchester next time you come to Mass. Thank you.

- Angela

*Item for the Bulletin? You can send items for the bulletin (by the Wednesday) to [stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com) or post them through the presbytery letterbox. For The Annunciation, email: [woodchester.theannunciation@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:woodchester.theannunciation@cliftondiocese.com) or post in the church letterbox (by front gate) or leave a message on 01453 822121. Any financial matters for Stonehouse, please email [admin.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:admin.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com). Any health and safety matters for Stonehouse, please email [HS.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:HS.stonehouse.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com)*