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Sunday 3rd June 2018 - Year B

Solemnity Of The Most Holy Body & Blood Of Christ (Proper of the Solemnity)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.15pm Saturday 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am, & 5.30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 11.00am-11.30am & 5.15pm-6.00pm - Wednesday: 6.15pm-6.45pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sun 3rd June	6.15pm	Bronislaw Suchecki (Ann)	
	8.00am	Nazzareno & Bridgida Capobianco (RIP)	
	9.30am	People of the Parish	
	11.00am	Alice Freeman (RIP)	
	5.30pm	Donal Harrington (RIP)	
Mon 4th June	8.00am	Christopher Fernandes (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Tue 5th June	8.00am	Willy Peres (RIP)	<i>Memorial of St Boniface</i>
Wed 6th June	5.45pm	Benifa Braganza (Good Health)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Thu 7th June	9.00am	Stanislaw Starczewski (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Fri 8th June	8.00am	Souls of 64 Salisbury Street	<i>Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>
	5.45pm	Victor Braganza (RIP)	
Sat 9th June	8.00am	Lyndon Fernandes (Thanks)	<i>Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>
	6.15pm	Zofia Kondratowicz (Ann)	

Readings: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 115; Heb 9: 11-15; Mark 14:12-16,22-26

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, alleluia!** I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord; Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. **Alleluia!**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Next Week's Readings: Gn 3:9-15; Ps 129; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

Reflection – Pope Benedict XVI

We begin to understand why the Lord chooses this piece of bread to represent him. Creation, with all its gifts, aspires above and beyond itself to something even greater. Over and above the synthesis of its own forces, above and beyond the synthesis also of nature and of spirit that, in some way, we detect in the piece of bread, creation is projected towards divinization, toward the holy wedding feast, toward unification with the Creator himself. And still, we have not yet explained in depth the message of this sign of bread. The Lord mentioned its deepest mystery on Palm Sunday, when some Greeks asked to see him. In his answer to this question is the phrase: "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (Jn 12:24). The mystery of the Passion is hidden in the bread made of ground grain. Flour, the ground wheat, presupposes the death and resurrection of the grain. In being ground and baked, it carries in itself once again the same mystery of the Passion. Only through death does resurrection arrive, as does the fruit and new life.

NOTICES:

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: Main Collection **£3262.56**. Green envelopes **£343.40**. The second collection for the Priests Retirement Fund raised **£1857.74**. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who sponsored me. I hope to have raised £1000. (This includes gift aid on some of the donations.)

This money will go far in providing the materials needed for renovating the hygiene facilities for the children at St Joseph's school in Keelamudiman. Thank you once again. Julia Starczewski.

BOOKSTALL: This weekend in the Parish Room on Saturday evening and Sunday morning. My Day by Day for June is available.

READERS: The rota coordinator is still waiting for your data protection forms. If you have not already done so, please fill in your form and leave it in the box in the porch. Without it you cannot be put on future rotas.

HOLY ROOD MUSTARD SEEDS YOUTH GROUP will be restarting this Thursday 7th June 2018. The youth group is for children in school years 4 – 6. Thursdays 3.30 – 4.45pm in the parish room. We focus on having fun whilst learning about the Catholic Faith. Enrolment forms are in the church porch. For more information please contact Anna in the Parish Office.

DIOCESAN DAY: Bishop Declan invites you to join him in celebrating our diocesan family at St Brendan's Sixth Form College, Bristol, on Saturday 30th June 2018. Keynote speakers, workshops and sessions for all ages. The day begins at 10.15am and concludes with Mass at 3.30pm. All welcome. A copy of the itinerary can be found on the notice board.

GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE: Sunday 8th July. Bookings begin this weekend, at the Bookstall in the Parish Room. See posters for details.

ADVANCE NOTICE: Meeting for members of all Parish groups from 7 – 9pm on Wednesday 4th July

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL will be holding their Circus Themed Summer Fayre on Saturday 30/06 from 12 to 3pm. Please come and join us for a family fun filled afternoon of entertainment, bouncy castles, games, police team demonstration, face paint etc. If you can help on the day – please contact Kelly on 07766867811.

ST JOSEPHS REUNION: Saturday 29 September 2018 pm. For September 1969 starters turning 60 between September 2017 and August 2018 approx. For further details contact: Krystyna Bartoszewska (nee Bujas) kbatoszewska66@gmail.com 07988714456

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:24/08 – 31/08. Contact Deacon David Wakefield 07711834800 or see the notice board for more information.

FLAME 2019 – tickets are now available for the biggest Catholic Youth Event in England and Wales! Saturday 2nd March 2019 in Wembley Arena. Tickets cost £20. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be one of the speakers, along with musicians and inspiring leaders. Clifton Diocese is supporting this event and if you would like to join a coach load from Swindon, please give your name and contact details to Ruth Barrett hrym.swindon@cliftondiocese.com or the parish office. A deposit of £15 is required with booking – please note there will be an additional charge to be advised to cover the coach transport. More details of the event can be found at cymfed.org.uk.

PARKING: Please show consideration to our neighbours when parking for Mass. Use the public car parks if there is no available parking. Do not park illegally. Thank you

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: For booking forms and other information please contact: appointments@marriagecare.org.uk or call 08003893801 or 01159934255.

JUSTICE & PEACE

HARBOUR PROJECT: Collection of coffee, tea, biscuits and sugar this weekend, to help The Harbour with the welcome given to refugees and asylum seekers.

SWINDON FOODBANK: Collection this weekend. Breakfast cereals and tinned potatoes always needed.

PRAYER

DIVINE OFFICE: PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Saturday after 8am Mass; Evening Prayer: Wednesday at 5.20pm.

LECTIO DIVINA: Group reflection on next Sunday's gospel: Friday 8.45-9.30am.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP: A short time of prayer, gospel reflection and rosary on Mondays at 9am in the parish room.

MOTHERS' PRAYERS: Thursday mornings at St Mary's Convent, 34, Groundwell Road after 9.00am Mass.

GOAN KONKANI PRAYER GROUP after 5:45pm Mass, till 7:30pm.

Due to the new data protection regulations we will no longer be printing names of the sick on the newsletter. A book to place the names of our sick relatives and friends will be available in the church in due course.