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Sunday 24th June 2018 - Year B

Solemnity Of The Nativity Of St John The Baptist (Proper of 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 24th June	6.15pm	John Flaherty (RIP)	
	8.00am	Kynastan Desouza (Birthday)	
	9.30am	Maureen Hogan (RIP)	
	11.00am	People of the Parish	
	5.30pm	Paddy Reape (RIP)	
Mon 25th June	8.00am	Joen Esteves (Good Health)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	11.15am	Patrick Michael Short (RIP)	<i>Requiem Mass</i>
Tue 26th June	8.00am	Antonetta De Stefano, Antonio Fiore, Anthony Ferris	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Wed 27th June	5.45pm	Caetano De Souza (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Thu 28th June	9.00am	Jasnita Dsilva (RIP)	<i>Memorial of St Irenaeus</i>
	12.30pm	Margaret Murphy (RIP)	<i>Requiem Mass</i>
Fri 29th June	8.00am	Janice De Souza (Birthday)	<i>Solemnity of St Peter & St Paul</i>
	12.45pm	Holy Souls	<i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>
	7.00pm	Vevila De Sousa (Good Health)	
Sat 30th June	8.00am	Antonio De Sousa (RIP)	<i>Dedication of the Cathedral Church of</i>
	6.15pm	Rona Carvalho (Birthday)	<i>St Peter & St Paul</i>

Sunday Readings: Is 49:1-6; Ps 138; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1: 57-66,80

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: A man was sent from God, whose name was John. He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I thank you for the wonder of my being.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia alleluia As for you, little child, you shall be called a prophet of God, the Most High. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him. **Alleluia!**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

Next Week's Readings: Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24; Ps29; 2Cor 8:7,9,13-15; Mark 5:21-43

Pope Francis' has written*, "To make this missionary impulse ever more focused, generous and fruitful, I encourage each particular Church to undertake a resolute process of discernment, purification and reform." In our diocese, Bishop Declan has responded to this call with a 3 year plan called **A Future Full of Hope**. We are currently in year one – which focuses on **mission**. Bishop Declan writes, "The church is created by God to live, not for itself but for others; to be a people who share in the mission of Christ, to proclaim the Kingdom and to make disciples so that the world will be transformed according to God's plan." Holy Rood Parish is responding to the diocesan plan by reflecting on three fundamental questions. Are we disciples? Are we equipped to make other disciples? How can we get better at this? During Mass this weekend we will hear the second in a series of personal testimonies. It is hoped that hearing these stories will help us to think about our own faith story and about where we are, just now, on our journey of faith. How engaged are we in our Christian life – in our worship, in growing our faith, in serving within the church and beyond the church and in sharing the Good News with others who don't know Jesus. We all have a faith story. What's yours? *Evangelii Gaugium (The Joy of the Gospel) 30

NOTICES:

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: Main Collection **£3725.79**. Green envelopes **£296**. Day For Life **£1071**. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

SECOND COLLECTION this Sunday is for the Uganda Appeal. Next Sunday for Peters Pence.

OFFICE CLOSED Wednesday 27th June.

BOOKSTALL: This Sunday morning in the Parish Room. My Day by Day for July is available.

READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: New rotas are ready for collection from the boxes in the porch.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: Thursday 28th June 2 -3pm.

ADOREMUS: The National Eucharistic Congress will take place in Liverpool from 7th – 9th September. All Parishes are invited to pray and prepare. Over the next weeks before the Congress special prayer and reflection leaflets will be available each week for those involved in Adoration.

TUESDAY 26 JUNE: Austen Ivereigh will help us reflect upon Pope Francis and the Church of Mission and his call to evangelise. At St John's Church, South Parade, Bath, 7pm. See poster for more details.

HEALING SERVICE with Adoration, Reconciliation and Holy Mass 7.00pm Wednesday 27th June 2018 at St John's Church, South Parade Bath.

THE NEXT SYNERGY SPORTS EVENT: Fri 29th June at Playfootball, Bramble Road 7.15pm. £2 for an evening of sports, fun and praise and worship to finish. **Football tournament** at Swindon Academy Sat 30th June. Contact the Youth Ministry Team for further information on either of these events.

PARISH MEETING: MISSION: In response to Bishop Declan's Mission document, members of all parish groups are invited to meet together in Holy Rood Primary School Hall, Groundwell Road, on Wednesday 4th July from 7 – 9pm. We will have a break for refreshments and chat in the middle of the evening!

GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE: Sunday 8th July. Bookings, with payment of £11.50, can be made at the Bookstall in the Parish Room this weekend.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS WEEKEND 7-9th Sept 2018 Theme: "Tell others the truth that sets you free" (Pope Benedict XVI). More information: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> or see the notice board.

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

GOVERNOR RECRUITMENT for St Joseph's Catholic College, Swindon. We are particularly looking for governors with experience of a strategic level in organisations, working in education, human resources, procurement and property management. If you are interested in applying for this voluntary role, please initially contact Michelle Ferris, the Clerk for a chat on what this involves. 01793 714204 or mferris@stjosephscollege.net
More information on the notice board.

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 COURSES: For information please visit www.marriagecare.org.uk email: appointments@marriagecare.org.uk tel: 08003893801 or 01159934255.

JUSTICE & PEACE

REFUGEE WEEK: 18th – 24th June: Final Celebration is a Global Garden Party this Sunday from 12– 6 pm in Town Gardens, Old Town.

SWINDON FOODBANK: Collection next weekend. Despite changes in the organisation, Foodbank is still operating, with the support of Swindon Borough Council. There are still many families in crisis who need their support. We are especially responsible for collecting breakfast cereals and tinned potatoes. Please help by donating a tin or a packet!

PRAYER

ROSARY: For peace in our world. Monday-Saturday mornings 7.15am-7.45am in the parish room. Beginning 2nd July.

PEREGRINE PRAYERS: For those with cancer and other serious illness: This Wednesday 27th June in the Parish Room at 12 noon.

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 and gospel reflection on Mondays at 9.15am in the parish room.

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

MULTI NATIONAL, Holy Ghost Catholic Charismatic Renewal Group, Thursdays 5pm-7pm. All welcome.

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