

Disciples rooted and built up in Christ for Mission



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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR C

Sunday 20th January 2019

Responsorial Psalm:

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

Sunday 20th	9.00 am Mass 11.00 am St Francis, Nailsea 6.00 pm St Francis, Nailsea
Monday 21st	9.00 am St. Francis, Nailsea
Tuesday 22nd	10.00 am Mass
Wednesday 23rd	7.00 pm St. Francis, Nailsea
Thursday 24th	9.30 am St. Francis, Nailsea
Friday 25th	10.00 am Mass
Saturday 26th	10.00 am St. Francis, Nailsea 6.00 pm Mass (Vigil)
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday from 5.30 pm until 5.50 pm`	
Parish Prayer Meeting - Wednesdays at 7.30 pm at Deacon Didier's home, 56 The Deans	

Parish Charities

There will be a meeting after the 6.00 pm Mass this evening to choose our parish charities for 2019. If you cannot stay for it but have any suggestions, please let Fr. Tom have them.

Traidcraft

The stall will be in the hall again this weekend after both Masses. There will be a wonderful selection of gifts and goodies available so please pop in and support this venture.

Discovering Christ

A seven week experience that invites you to hear the Good News afresh and personally encounter Jesus Christ. Our second course starts on Monday 25th February at 7.00 pm. *Discovering Christ* is for everyone. Do come yourself and invite those around you who are curious about our faith! Invitation cards are available in the lobby. Please note that **you need to register**. This can be done online (www.josephfrancis.org/christ-life) or by using one of the paper forms in the lobby. Contact Deacon Didier for details.

Confirmation 2019

Our Confirmation programme will start soon. If your child is in Year 9 or above and would like to join the programme, please contact Fr. Tom.

Bringing Up Young Children in the Faith?

Following our regular contacts with young families seeking baptism for their babies/toddlers, there seems to be a call to create a meeting point for all young families where they can help each other grow in their understanding of the spiritual development of their little ones and share practical ideas for living the Faith at home. If you are interested in developing this project and/or participating in it, please speak to Alison: telephone 390752 or email her: alison.delaplace@gmail.com.

**No second collections
this weekend or next**

Year of Prayer - Second Sunday of the Year

The epiphanies carry on... this time at Cana. Here is the first of Jesus' *signs*. They reveal to us who Jesus is. What could be seen as a clear reminder of unworthiness and brokenness (water) is transformed into a symbol of rejoicing and presence (wine). Maybe there's something of a new weddedness that it to take place between God and his people once again... in Jesus. Mary's presence and, indeed, her 'instructions' to the servants give us food for our own prayer: do whatever he tells you. The Lord calls us close to him and as we open ourselves up to him, as we seek to encounter him through prayer, we seek to do his will. Prayer can be an abandonment to the will of God, a letting go so as to let God come flooding into our lives. And as we see from the wine at Cana, God always brings an abundance!

Unity Service

18th to 25th January is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Here in Portishead, Churches Together are organising a Unity Service this **Sunday 20th January at 10.30 am**. It will be hosted by Gordano Valley Church and will take place at Gordano School. St. Joseph's School has offered to help with car parking. Come along to this great opportunity to have fellowship and pray together with other Christians of our town.

Healing Mass

A service of Healing, Holy Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration at St. John the Evangelist Church, South Parade, Bath at 7.00 pm on Friday 25th January. All welcome.

Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery

On Wednesday 6th February with refreshments from 6.30 pm then beginning at 7.00 pm until 9.00 pm at St. Nicholas of Tolentino Church, Lawford's Gate, Bristol, BS5 0RE. An event to raise the awareness of the issues and explore what can be done to combat this crime and support its victims.

Adoremus Talks: Inspiring Input

Thursday 14th February - "The Mystery of the Mass" in the Retro Choir, Immaculate Conception Church, Clevedon at 2.00 pm and also at 7.30 pm – Bishop Robert Barron feeds us with a deeper understanding of the Mass. Bishop Barron is from Los Angeles and provides an intriguing mix of humour and sincerity to bring the Mass alive!

Three Ways to Enhance Christian Life

Thursday 28th February – in the Retro Choir, Immaculate Conception Church, Clevedon at 2.00 pm and repeated at 7.30 pm. Bishop Robert Barron helps us centre our lives on and in Jesus.

Retreat in Tressaint (France)

A reminder that Fr Tom is preaching a six day retreat in Tressaint at the end of February and there is still time to apply. Coach transport will make travelling very easy. For further details and booking form go to <https://www.foyers.org.uk/retreats>

Flame 2019

CYMFed Flame is the biggest Catholic Youth Event in the UK. It takes place on Saturday 2nd March 2019 at Wembley Arena. All young people of secondary school age are invited to join Bishop Declan at the fantastic event. To buy your ticket visit www.cliftondiocese.com and click on the Flame logo. Download the booking and parental consent forms and send them to the diocese who will confirm your place! For more information email: youth@cliftondiocese.com

Parish Monthly Draw

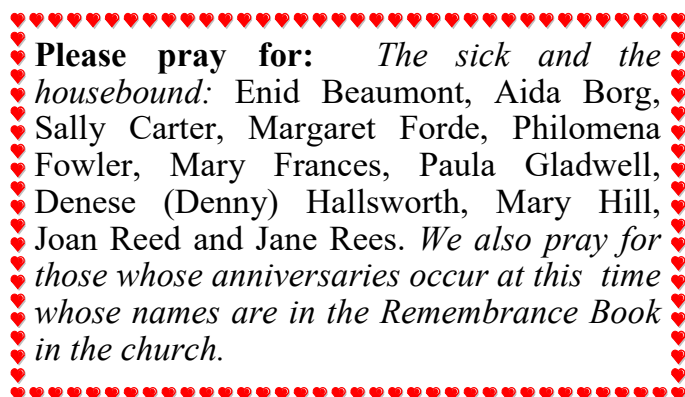
Our lucky January winners are: Toni Parsons, Tim Konewko and Veronique Poirier.

OPAS Support Administrator

An exciting opportunity has arisen in the Curia Finance Team! The Diocese is currently rolling out a new online accounting system (OPAS) for all of its 107 parishes. Please see the notice board for full details and Job Description. The deadline for applications is Monday 28th January.

Finances

The collection last weekend amounted to £161.42.

**Please pray for:** *The sick and the housebound:* Enid Beaumont, Aida Borg, Sally Carter, Margaret Forde, Philomena Fowler, Mary Frances, Paula Gladwell, Denese (Denny) Hallsworth, Mary Hill, Joan Reed and Jane Rees. *We also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time whose names are in the Remembrance Book in the church.*