



## The Parish of Our Lady & St Alphege

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Third Sunday of Easter

[www.saintalphege.org.uk](http://www.saintalphege.org.uk)

19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### Mass Times at Our Lady & St Alphege

**Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Easter**

1100 Special Intention (J)

1800 People of the Parish

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Weekday of Easter**

No Mass

**Tues 21<sup>st</sup> St Anselm of Canterbury**

1000 Pope Francis RIP

**Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> Weekday of Easter**

0700

**Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> St George Patron of England**

1715 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1800 Eddie Eades RIP

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Friday in the Easter Octave**

0700

1200 Iris Ratcliff RIP

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Feast of St Mark the Evangelist**

0930 Rosary in the Lady Chapel

1000 Bishop Declan's intentions

1030 Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

**Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday of Easter**

1100 Terence Bate RIP

1800 People of the Parish

### Information

Psalter Week 3 / Readings Sun A Weekdays Proper

**Mass Times at St Joseph Peasedown St John**

**Mass** Sun 0900 & Tues 1100

### Diocesan Prayer link

St Dunstan Somerset and the Holy Ghost Yeovil

### Clergy Training Fund Second collection next Sunday

This collection, taken across the Diocese, enables the support of those who offer themselves for training for the Diocesan priesthood. It helps to fund their training at seminary and offer them a grant during their years of formation. The fund, at times, is also used to support the on-going formation opportunities for clergy in our Diocese and formation of permanent Deacons.

### Investiture of the Miraculous Medal

On Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May at 3.00 pm, the eve of Pentecost, there will be a distribution and investiture of the Miraculous Medal and an opportunity for those already enrolled to renew their commitment. This will be followed by Exposition, Rosary, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Afterwards there will be refreshments in the hall. We look forward to welcoming you to this special time of prayer. Details are on a flyer on the noticeboard.

### Beacons

Our next Community gathering will be this Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April from 2 to 4 pm in the hall where we will have the opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones. There will be refreshments and a raffle in support of the charity 'Marie Curie'. All welcome.

### Church Kneelers

It was noticed a little while ago that a number of the kneelers attached to the pews in the nave of the Church had deteriorated. Not only was the vinyl covering failing but in some cases the nails had lost their heads and so we were left with sharp spikes which was a concern. Two options were available, simply covering over that is there with new vinyl or doing a complete restoration with new foam pads and covering. After considering a number of quotes the Fabric and Finance Committee decided that a complete restoration was needed and a quote from Ormsby Church Supplies was accepted. The kneelers are due to be removed on Wednesday and taken to their workshop in Stockport to be refurbished. New kneelers for the two pews currently without kneelers will also be made and the kneeler on the left of the Church which is

jammed against a pillar will be adapted so that it can be used. Funding for this work will come from reserves as this is considered to be essential work. It will take 4 weeks with the intention that the kneelers are back in time for Pentecost.

NB Mass on Wednesday will be at 0700 so that the day is clear for the removal of the kneelers

### **Flowers in Church**

The Parish flower arranging team need new members. No experience is necessary and it would be a once a month turn. If you are able to help or would like more information, please contact Diana on 07983136369.

### **Mission Red Boxes**

Red box holders are kindly being to return their boxes to sacristy for counting. Thank you for your generous support our parish raised £1,552.51 through red boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)**

C.L.O.W. Children's Liturgy of the Word will be celebrated again during Holy Mass on Sunday at 11 am from today. At the beginning of Mass, children gather in church with their families for the Introductory Rites of the Mass. Children and leaders are then called forward to be presented with a book of scripture and we process to the parish hall. During the session, children are able to celebrate a separate Liturgy of the Word appropriate to their level of understanding. The leader will introduce the scriptures of the day which are explored through discussion and reflection of the readings and involve children's own experience. We end with a time of prayer. The prayer may arise from the children's reflection but is always concerned for the needs of the whole church and the world. We return to the church for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Parents and carers of very young children are very welcome to join us.

### **Ministries Recollection afternoon**

On Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July Deacon Kevin will lead an afternoon of Recollection for those involved in ministries in our Parishes. It will begin at 2.30pm and finish with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 1630. Please keep the date in your diary

### **"Thank you so much for supporting me ...**

..... through the recent cake sale after Mass which helped me to go on the South West Guiding International Community Experience to Belfast. Whilst there we did a whole day of community service for the National Trust to make a hill a better place for nature and humans. The Trust wanted us to plant lots of trees, we planted over 500 (in a day) in a slightly boggy area so it was hard to plant the trees whilst not getting stuck in the mud! That

afternoon we completed a local nature survey and it rained so much we were soaked to the skin. We shared a campfire with some local Queen's Guides. We also did a bit of sightseeing, including our cultural trip to the Titanic Museum and a scavenger hunt to learn local history around Belfast. THANK YOU so much again, Megan"

### **Prayer Live-in Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Sun 17<sup>th</sup> of May**

The Bernadine Cistercians at the Monastery of Our Lady & St Bernard at Brownhill are inviting people to come for a weekend of prayer. There will be talks by members on the community and also opportunities to enter into the rhythm of prayer that shapes every day in the monastery and to take time to listen "with the ear of your heart". Information on their website and the poster in the porch.

### **What is the Church?**

Clifton Diocese in partnership with '*Light of Truth*' are offering 'What is the Church?' This is an online session to discover essential aspects of the nature of the Catholic Church. The session will take place on Friday 17 April 2026, 7pm-8pm. To sign up, please see the poster in the porch with a QR code to register on the Light of Truth Website.

### **'Now is the Time'**

A Symposium to explore the teachings of Pope Leo in his Apostolic Exhortation 'Dilexi Te' (Love for the Poor) at St Brendan's College, Brislington, on Sat 30th May 10am – 4pm. Further details are on the poster in the porch.

### **Encounter 2026 – From Eastertide to Pentecost**

You are invited to join evenings exploring how the Holy Spirit calls, guides and sends each of us on mission in Clifton Cathedral Tuesdays, 21 April – 19 May 7:00–9:00pm or via live stream. The series concludes with "Fire from Heaven" – a Pentecost Encounter Day and All-Night Vigil on 23 May (11:00am – 7:00am). For more information e mail [Encounter@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Encounter@cliftondiocese.com)

### **Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026**

This Pilgrimage will be led by the Bishop with the Catholic Association of Lourdes from Fri the 21<sup>st</sup> – Fri the 28<sup>th</sup> of August this year. There will be airport transfers from Bristol to Birmingham Airport, with Flights to Tarbes–Lourdes–Pyrénées Airport, hotel transfers etc. For further information please e mail [lourdes@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:lourdes@cliftondiocese.com)

Last Week Offertory: £231.53 Envelopes £63

### **Readers**

11:00: Karen 18:00: Andrew

**CLOW:** Janet