The Parish of Our Lady & St Alphege

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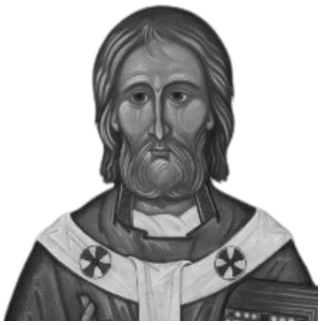

18th Sunday of the Year A **www.saintalphege.org.uk** **2nd August 2026**

Mass Times at Our Lady & St Alphege

Sun 2nd **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
1100 Elizabeth and Thomas McConnell RIP
1800 James Reilly RIP

Mon 3rd **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
No Mass

Tues 4th **St John Mary Vianney**
1000 In thanksgiving (EK)

Weds 5th **Dedication of St Mary Major**
1000 For the intentions and life of the Prior Park Community

Thurs 6th **Feast of the Transfiguration**
1715 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1800 Peter Collingridge RIP

Fri 7th **Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart**
0700 People of the Parish
1200 Betty Joan O'Reilly RIP

Sat 8th **St Dominic**
0930 Rosary in the Lady Chapel
1000 James Reilly RIP (Anniv)
1030 Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

Sun 9th **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
1100 David Edwards RIP
1800 Alan Stevenson RIP

Mass Times at St Joseph Peasedown St John

Mass Sun 0900 & Tues 1100

Diocesan Prayer link

University, College & School Chaplaincies

Liturgical Information

Psalter Week 2 / Readings Sun A & Weekdays Year 2

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in Bath on Friday the 13th of November at 7.00pm. If you wish to celebrate this Sacrament please speak with or e mail Fr Robert or Deacon Kevin. Normally candidates would generally be around the year 9 age and above.

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury: Sunday 6 September 2026 'Mary – Mother of the Faithful'

Programme:
At the Shrine of Our Lady of Glastonbury
11.00am Rosary
11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & the Sacrament of Reconciliation
2.30pm Benediction

In the Abbey Grounds
11.00am Youth Procession from the Abbey to the Tor
11.30am Prayer Ministry at the Chapel of Healing
1.45pm Rosary Procession from the Abbey through the town centre
3.15pm Mass in the Abbey Grounds

Adoremus 2026

Adoremus 2026, the National Eucharistic Congress, takes place in London on Saturday 10 October 2026. Adoremus is a national celebration of the Eucharist, bringing together Catholics from across England and Wales for prayer, worship, catechesis, and public witness. Clifton Diocese has been allocated 45 places, and is inviting parishioners to participate in this important event.

Who can attend: in order to attend you must,

- be aged 18 or over
- be able to make your own way by car or train to St George's Cathedral, Southwark, for 10:30am on Saturday 10 October
- be physically able to participate in the Eucharistic Procession (approximately 1.7 miles)

To help prepare for the event, pilgrims will be invited to Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 12 September 2026 for Mass (12noon) and orientation preparation session. This will provide an opportunity to meet fellow participants,

coordinate travel arrangements, and receive event tickets and information.
please register your interest through Eventbrite:
https://adoremusclifton2026.eventbrite.co.uk

Mass at Perrymead – The Eyre Chapel

There is chance to step inside the exquisite Eyre Chapel at Perrymead once again as Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 12 August at 11.30am. If the weather is good there will be chance to bring a little lunch to eat on the lawn and, hopefully, there will be chance for a cup of tea after Mass.

Time to Act campaign

Across Palestine and Israel, communities are living through devastating violence, loss and injustice. Palestinian Christians have called on the global Church to respond not with silence or despair, but with courage, compassion, and action. The Just Peace Coalition brings together churches and Christian organisations across the UK to respond to that call. Together, they are inviting individuals, churches, and communities to commit to working and praying for a just peace for all who call the Holy Land home. This is not simply a moment of awareness. It is time to act. By adding your name, you would join a growing movement of people committed to listening, learning, living differently, and taking action for justice, accountability, and peace.
https://justpeacecoalition.com/
https://www.cbcew.org.uk/bishops-voice support-for-time-to-act-campaign/

Adviser for Evangelisation and Mission (full-time)

An opportunity to join the Diocese of Clifton on a full-time basis within the Department for Evangelisation and Discipleship. The Diocese is seeking a committed and enthusiastic person to support parishes in evangelisation, faith formation and outreach. Working closely with the Director on a variety of projects, you will help promote the Bishop's vision across the Diocese. Core office hours are between 9am to 4.30pm. Further Information and Application form can be found here : https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/ .
Closing date for applications: 28th August 2026.
If you are interested in such a role and would like to work for Clifton Diocese, please send your application to Sarah.Adams@cliftondiocese.com. For more information and an informal conversation, prior to applying, please contact Sarah Adams, Director of the Department for Evangelisation and Discipleship, on 0117 902 5595.

We Believe: Festival of Catholic Life, 24 - 27 July 2026

Join Catholics from around the UK for the annual We Believe festival. Discover the traditions, charisms, ministries and movements of the Catholic Church in the UK in the beautiful and historic setting of St Mary's College, Oscott. https://www.webelievefestival.com

In the Footsteps of Francis

In October there is a talk led by **Eddie Gilmore,** which will take place at **St Francis, Nailsea,** on **Friday 2 October**. This session will focus on what the saint from Assisi can teach us today about how to live in harmony with the earth and with each other. This year marks 800 years since the death of St Francis of Assisi and Pope Leo XIV has declared 2026 a special year to commemorate this.
The speaker, Eddie Gilmore is a dedicated pilgrimage walker, a writer, a musician and regularly contributes to BBC Radio 2's 'Pause for Thought'. Copies of Eddie's books will be on sale at the event. The talk will start at 7pm (refreshments from 6.30pm). To register for the evening, please use the Eventbrite link:
https://footstepsoffrancis.eventbrite.co.uk
All are most welcome!

Readers 11:00 Maureen 18:00 Grainne

Finance Last Week Offertory £314.82 Envelopes £63

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From Pope Leo's Angelus Homily 26th of July

Today the Church is a communion of people who differ in origin, culture, abilities and responsibilities. Yet all are called to recognize themselves as "one" in Jesus Christ: …..from the beginning, Jesus called and gathered around himself people who would otherwise never have come to know one another. In this way, he demonstrated that God has no favorites, but instead offers his love freely, especially to the little ones or those cast aside.

Brothers and sisters, all we have to do is ask for this gift, the very same one sought by the young King Solomon. It is the gift of recognizing the pearl of great price, of discerning the treasure for which it is worth selling everything. While the consumer culture influences our tastes, constantly creating new needs only to sell us solutions that never satisfy, and that sometimes even poison the heart, we must learn to grasp what truly matters: the treasure of a relationship with God that opens us to joy and helps us to live our relationships with one another more fully.