



The Catholic Parishes of Saint Francis of Assisi, Nailsea & Saint Joseph, Portishead



St Francis of Assisi Church
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Sunday 19th October 2025
29th Week in Ordinary Time
Mission Sunday

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Confessions

Saturday 5.15-5.45pm
Wednesday 6.15-6.45pm St Francis
Or on request at the Presbytery
midday Tuesday – midday Saturday

Today's Readings



Tuesday
Wednesday

Exposition

2pm-3pm St Francis
12noon-11pm St Joseph's
Includes evening prayer
5.30-6pm

Liturgy this week

Sat 18 th Oct	6pm	St Francis	Vigil Mass
	6.30pm	Clevedon	Vigil Mass
Sun 19 th Oct	8.30am	Yatton *	Mass
	9am	St Joseph	Mass
	10am	Clevedon	Mass
	11am	St Francis	Mass with Baptism
Mon 20 th Oct	No Mass today		
Tues 21 st Oct	10am	St Joseph	Mass
Wed 22 nd Oct	7pm	St Francis	Mass
Thur 23 rd Oct	9.15am	St Francis	Mass
Fri 24 th Oct	12.45pm	St Joseph	Requiem Mass for Andrew Granger
Sat 25 th Oct	1pm	St Francis	Mass – Knights of the Holy Sepulchre
	6pm	St Joseph	Vigil Mass
	6.30pm	Clevedon	Vigil Mass

John Evans (RIP)

Andrew Granger (RIP)

Please note that there is Mass at 10am in Clevedon every day preceded by morning prayer at 9.45am.

* St Dunstan & St Antony's Church, Claverham Rd, Yatton, Bristol BS49 4LE

SECOND COLLECTION – WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 18th/19th OCTOBER

This weekend, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity, and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. To donate, use the **Missio envelopes**, call **020 7821 9755** (Office hours) or visit **mission.org.uk** to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit, and Gift Aid you donation if possible. Thank you to everyone who already has a red collection box and if you need one contact Alison Delaplace or Martha Orr.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month of the Holy Souls and envelopes are available in both churches. Please place the names of deceased relatives and friends for whom you wish to pray in the envelopes and place them in the basket situated at the front of the Altar. A Mass offering may be included in the envelope. The contents of the envelope are private and will not be read by anybody. We will also hold a Mass for the dead in each church and especially for those who have died during the past year. The Masses will be:

Tuesday 11th November at 7.00pm – St Francis.
Thursday 13th November at 7.00pm – St Joseph.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION – THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

This year, the Solemnity of All Saints (1st November) is moved to Sunday 2nd November. The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed – All Souls Day is moved to the 3rd November.

CELEBRATION OF ST FRANCIS – SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER

After the Vigil Mass come and hear the musical delights served up by **Táirni Mara** (Irish Folk) and Table9 (60s up to modern day easy listening) Please bring your own drinks and snacks, tea/coffee will be on offer. All monies for the St Francis Church Roof Fund. Donations for the Raffle are very welcome, please place these in the box in the foyer of both churches. Tickets: adults £5/children free. Please add your name to the sign-up sheets in the lobby of both churches. For more details please email Tom Osman tafosman@hotmail.co.uk

KNIGHTS OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE

On Saturday 25th October we welcome The Knights of the Holy Sepulchre to Saint Francis' parish for their chapter meeting. Mass will be celebrated at 1.00pm and parishioners are most welcome to attend. Father Philip Beisly will say the Mass in Portishead on that day.

BAPTISM

Margot Haughton is to be baptised at St Francis Church on Sunday. Please keep Margot and her family in your prayers as we welcome her into God's family.

FUNERAL – ANDREW GRANGER

Following the funeral on Friday 24th October 12.45pm at St Joseph's Church - Val, John and Anna, invite you to join them at the Royal Inn, Pier Rd, Portishead BS20 7HG for drinks (only) - an opportunity to share one last pint with Andrew....

JOINT PARISH CHOIR PRACTICE

The next joint parish choir practice is on **Saturday 18th October at 10am at St Francis**. We also have the November practice confirmed for **Saturday 15th November at 10am at St Joseph's**.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Information Evening

Tuesday 21st October 6.30pm St Francis Church Hall

Thursday 23rd October 6.30pm St Joseph's Church Hall

Our team of catechists and Fr Frank look forward to meeting you soon

Confirmation

Our joint parish Confirmation preparation programme will be starting soon. This is open to anyone in school year 9 or above. Please click on the link below and complete the enrolment form.

<https://forms.gle/cZ7N9D4DEGHA3uXE7>

Hard copies are available in the porch of both churches. Any questions please speak to Anne-Marie

NIGHT OF LIGHT

Friday 31st October at 3:30pm in St Joseph's Hall Portishead Games, Sweets n Treats, A look at the Saints (to celebrate the solemnity of All Saints the next day - 1st November). All children are invited to come dressed as a Saint (e.g. St Francis or St Clare) optional. Please come at 3pm for pumpkin-carving to light the night and bring your own pumpkin! Email Tom if you're definitely coming please or for more details - tafosman@hotmail.co.uk

CAFOD - THANK YOU!

Thank you for your generous donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal. A total of **£530** was collected across both parishes,

UCM – ST JOSEPH'S

The next UCM meeting will be on **Tuesday 21st October at 2pm** in St Joseph's Church Hall. All very welcome.

FAVOURITE HYMNS

Have you ever thought: 'I love that hymn, I haven't heard it at Mass for a while?' Well now is your chance to tell us. We would love to hear about your favourite hymns. The reason for doing this would be to enable you to feel some ownership of the music used at Mass.

There is, of course, a proviso that the hymns chosen need to fit in with the liturgy for any given Mass so we may not be able to accommodate all your suggestions.

Next weekend (25th / 26th October) we will distribute paper and pens for you to note down your favourite hymns, we will then collate them and choose the most popular to be included in our weekend liturgies throughout the year. Thank you

JOURNEY IN FAITH

This Tuesday 21st October we will explore the topic of Faith. What is it? How do you get it? How to nurture it? We meet on **Tuesdays at 7.30pm**. This week we will be in St Joseph's Hall but **from Tuesday 4th November we will meet in St Francis' Hall**. Our meetings are friendly, informal and thought-provoking. All are welcome. Contact Deacon Didier for more details.

PORTISHEAD FOODBANK CHRISTMAS APPEAL

For us at Foodbank we have to plan ahead: if you are interested in supporting us with our **Christmas "Hampers"** please make a note of the following. Anything from the list would be much appreciated:

- Tinned fruit
- Hot chocolate
- Christmas cake
- Christmas biscuits
- Minced pies (dated **after** 25th Dec)
- Selection boxes
- Tinned salmon
- Cranberry sauce
- Tinned ham

Please leave your all donations in the trolley in St Joseph's church lobby.

PORTISHEAD FOODBANK

If you are in a position to donate this week we would really appreciate:

- UHT milk
- Tinned Custard
- Tinned fruit

Please leave your all donations in the trolley in St Joseph's church lobby.

JOINT PARISH OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER

Bi-weekly:

Monday 11.00am in Backwell.

Please contact Gill for more details:

gkingtonh@gmail.com

Wednesday 7.30pm St Francis Meeting Room

Saturday 11am St Francis Meeting Room

Please contact Sharon for more details:

sharonbratley@hotmail.co.uk

A weekly **Christian Meditation** Group - **Monday 8.00pm** in St Francis Meeting Room

Please contact Francesca for more details:
francescamagner@gmail.com

A weekly **Charismatic** House Group – **Sunday 6.30pm** in Portishead.

Please contact Michael and Agnieszka Parry for further details agamike@parryl.co.uk

A weekly **Rosary** Group – starting **Thursday 2nd October** at 2:30pm in St Francis Church. Please contact Katie for more details katiegau@live.co.uk.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Weekly - **Tuesdays 2.00pm – 3.00pm**

St Francis Church

Weekly - **Wednesdays 12noon – 11.00pm**

St Joseph's Church

Bi-weekly - Children's Adoration **Thursdays 1.30pm – 2.00pm** at St Francis 9th October.

Bi-weekly **Holy Hour - Wednesday 15th October** from 1.00pm - 2.00pm in St Joseph's Church.

It is amazing that we have so many, varied opportunities for prayer across both our parishes. **All are welcome**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

8th November – Pilgrimage meeting

14th November – Joint Youth Club (St Joseph's)

17th-21st November - Fr Frank on retreat.

23rd November – St Joseph's School led Mass

23rd November – First Holy Communion Enrolment Masses, 9am St Joseph and 11am at St Francis

12th December – Joint Parish Advent Service 6.30pm St Francis

12th December – Joint Youth Club (St Francis)

STARTING SCHOOL?

If you have a child born between **1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022**, then **now** is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from **September 2026** onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the North Somerset Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you **must** also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15 January 2026**.