



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



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**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022**  
**Twenty Sixth Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**

**St Joseph's Church**  
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	Portishead	Tues & Fri	10.30am – 1pm
<b>Parish website:</b>	<a href="http://www.josephfrancis.org">www.josephfrancis.org</a>		

## This Week's Mass Times

Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Sep	6pm	St Joseph	Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>Joe O Halloran (RIP)</i>
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	9am	St Joseph		<i>Frances Pine (RIP)</i>
	11am	St Francis		<i>Edward Rogers (RIP)</i>
	6pm	St Francis		<i>People of the Parish</i>
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Sep	9am	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>James Gerard Coleman (RIP)</i>
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep	10am	St Joseph	Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul	
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Sep	7pm	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Sep	9.15am	St Francis	Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael	
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep	10am	St Joseph	Memorial of Saint Jerome	
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	10am	St Joseph	Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus	
	6pm	St Joseph	Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	

### Confessions

Saturday	5.30-5.50pm	St Joseph
Sunday	5.30-5.50pm	St Francis
Wednesday	6.30-6.50pm	St Francis

### Today's Readings



### Adoration

Tuesday	2-3pm	St Francis
Wednesday	12noon-11pm	St Joseph
Thursday	8-9pm	St Francis

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

Following on from last week ('You cannot be the slave of both God and money') we see a practical illustration of what this means. The division between rich and poor was very striking at the time of Jesus: popular understanding, however, said that to be rich was a blessing from God. Jesus reminds people that riches carry their own responsibility – the duty to notice the poor man, especially when he lies at your own gate. In this parable, Jesus is subtly attacking the people's lack of acceptance of the teaching of the prophets 'They have Moses and the prophets', but they obviously haven't listened to them. The twist in the last line is powerful: 'they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.' Since our world still sees a division between rich and poor, how true those words have become!

## THANKS

Thank you for last weekend's celebrations to mark my 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday. They were wonderful occasions and it was lovely to see so many of you at both events. Thank you also for the best wishes, the cards, and the gifts that I received. Your kindness is greatly appreciated. Fr Richard

## RIP

**Frances Pine** passed away peaceful at home on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September. Please pray for the repose of her soul and keep her family and friends in your prayers at this time. Frances's funeral will take place at St. Joseph's church on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 11am followed by the committal service at Canford crematorium at 12.45pm.

## CHAIRS AT ST FRANCIS'

Many thanks to the anonymous donor who has paid for the new chairs and kneelers at the back of St Francis' Church.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

It has been such a joy to see so many children come along to Children's Liturgy on a Sunday morning. This is a great opportunity for our children to hear and respond to the gospel at an age-appropriate level. If you would like to find out more about Children's Liturgy or would like to help out at some of the sessions then please come along to a meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in St Francis Nailsea **or** Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in St Joseph's Portishead.

## CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

The Confirmation preparation programme, for anyone in Year 9 or above will be starting in January. Application forms are available at the back of church or contact Anne-Marie [cyfm.stjosephandstfrancis@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:cyfm.stjosephandstfrancis@cliftondiocese.com) for an electronic copy of the form. Further details to follow. If you would like to be involved in helping to run the Confirmation Programme we would love to hear from you. Please contact Fr Richard to offer your services.

## INVITATION

The children at St Francis school invite parishioners to join them in their school hall for a special Mass to celebrate St Francis feast day. On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct at 10am. All welcome.

## MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S – 25<sup>th</sup> SEPT

The children and staff from St Joseph's School will be joining us to celebrate the 9am Mass this Sunday.

## MY DAY-BY-DAY BOOKLETS

The My Day-by-Day booklets for October are now available at both churches. Price £1.

## UCM – ST JOSEPH'S

Our next meeting is on **Monday, 3 October at 2 p.m.** One of our members, Joy Keown, will speak about the Talking Newspaper which she was part of when living in Dawlish, Devon. Visitors will be made very welcome. To give advance notice, we will have a talk by Karen Zold, a Room Interpreter at Tyntesfield about 'A day in the life of a Servant at Tyntesfield in the 1890s' on Monday, 7 November. This will be a very interesting talk and we would like to invite parishioners to join us from **230 pm.** Entry will cost £2.00 to include a raffle and refreshments.

## PORTISHEAD FOODBANK

If you are in a position to donate, any of the following would be appreciated :

- Jars of coffee - any size or brand
  - Deodorant- neutral scented are especially appreciated as they can be used by any age or sex.
- For more details consult the Portishead Foodbank page on Facebook. Please leave your contribution in the trolley in the church lobby. Thank you for your generosity.

## PIANO RECITAL IN PILL

Edward Jacobs, a professional pianist, will give a recital in aid of Pill Methodist Church on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm at "The church on the green" in Pill. Tickets are £10 which includes a cream tea. For availability please ring Shirley Bennett on 01275 846444

## STREET PARTY IN PORTISHEAD

Enjoy Church are holding a street party based in Avon Way Hall on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September from 4 to 6pm. All welcome!

## DAY OF PRAYER WITH OUR LADY OF FATIMA – 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

**The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Clevedon** welcomes the statue of Our Lady of Fatima and Relics of Related Saints at Clevedon Catholic Parish from 5<sup>th</sup> November in the morning until 12noon on 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. You are most welcome to join in Prayers and Music in honour of Our Lady and asking for her prayers. More details to follow.

## **VACANCIES**

### **Parish Finance Support Officer**

The Diocese is currently introducing a new online accounting system (OPAS) for all its 99 parishes and additional support is needed in the Finance team to help support parishes in moving to this system.

The role is full-time, although more flexible patterns will be considered, based within the Finance team which is part of the Curia (administrative office) of the Diocese.

The role is based at Alexander House, Bristol but there will be an occasional need to travel to parishes throughout the Diocese. The closing date for applications is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022. For further details and an application form, please visit the Working for Us page within the Clifton Diocese website:

<https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/>

### **Accounts Officer and Administrator**

The Finance department based in Alexander House, Bristol, are looking to recruit an Accounts Officer and Administrator to strengthen its central Finance Office function.

The role is full time, although more flexible patterns will be considered. Attention to detail and the ability to be well organised are important. AAT, part qualified or bookkeeping experience would be highly beneficial.

Please find the job description and application form on the Clifton Diocese website

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All applications to be sent to Simon Hussey, Head of Finance by 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022,

[simon.hussey@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:simon.hussey@cliftondiocese.com)