

**TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A
6TH SEPTEMBER 2026: Mass Time**

Sunday 6 TH SEPTMEBER	11:00 AM	TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Jan Juchaniewicz +
Tuesday 8 th SEPTEMBER	9:30 AM	FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Richard and Irena Wolski +



Wishing you all a very happy and blessed Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession

If Father Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call: St. Mary's: 01793 535089/Holy Rood: 01793 522062/ St. Peter's: 01793630627

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St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton

We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time.

We pray for God's special blessing on you.

We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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Readings	:	Sunday Mass Cycle Ordinary Time Week 23 -Year 2
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter 2 (Proper of Season or Priest Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; Treat your servant in accords with your merciful love.
First Reading	:	Ezekiel 33:7-9
Psalm Response	:	O that today you will listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'
Second Reading	:	Romans 13: 8-10
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation Alleluia!
Gospel	:	Matthew 18:15-20
Communion Antiphon	:	Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God: my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

If you do not speak to warn the wicked, his blood I will require at your hand.

2nd Reading

Love is the fulfilling of the law.

Gospel

If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.

A Message from Fr. Nnam Di Obi

Last Sunday, we read from the prophecy of Jeremiah, who was lamenting about the challenges of his calling. Part of it was that whenever he opened his mouth, it was all doom and gloom, which made him a bit unpopular among those who heard him prophesy.

The first reading today isn't from Jeremiah. It is from Ezekiel. God is addressing every person who has the calling to stand on the side of truth and justice. If anyone is derailing, be honest with them and correct errors. But it must be done with charity.

St Paul addresses the people of Rome most solemnly that what we owe one another is mutual love. Whatever we say and do, let love lead.

In the Gospel of Matthew 18, Jesus teaches his disciples on the need to settle disputes amicably. There are levels of dialogue for peace and reconciliation that must be found among believers. Peace must be sought through justice. Justice must be led by love. And God is love.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Offertory Collections :

Weekly Collection: £309.95

Weekly Offering

We encourage parishioners, where possible, to consider supporting the parish through a direct debit or standing order. This method of giving can also enable us to claim Gift Aid, increasing your donation at no extra cost to you. One-off donations are, of course, also very welcome.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK 13th SEPTEMBER: CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Please note that we will be celebrating the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Tuesday, 8th September at 9:30 AM.

Care for Creation – Clouts Wood Visit: Our Care for Creation group has arranged a short guided tour of Clouts Wood with Wiltshire Wildlife Trust on **Friday 18 September at 6pm**. The walk will last no more than one hour, and bat detectors will be available. If you would like to join us, please contact Steve at steveaftelak@gmail.com.

BEDROCK: We warmly want to invite you to a conference “MORE HOLY SPIRIT”, led by the Cor Et Lumen Christi Community, taking place on 19th September from 10: 00 am to 4:00 pm at Holy Family Church. There will be praise and worship, inspiring talks, healing ministry, prophecy and Holy Mass.

Bible Alive Film: The next film, David (the Psalmist), is on **Friday, 11 September at 2.30pm**. All are welcome, with refreshments provided. For enquiries, contact Diana on **0781 394 0076**.

Bible Alive – Autumn Study: Bible Alive invites you to join our six-week study of *If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat* by John Ortberg. Starting Wednesday, 30 September at 2.30pm in St Joseph's Parish Room. Everyone is welcome! The book is available from Eden.co.uk or from Diana for approximately £7. For more information, contact Diana on 0781 394 0076.

Children's Liturgy: We are pleased to announce that our **Children's Liturgy will start on Sunday, 20 September**. We warmly welcome all children to join us and would also be delighted to hear from anyone who would like to volunteer and help with this ministry.

NEW HYMNS: This Sunday, we'll start learning and singing new hymns. We invite you to join us as we come together in song and community.

PARKING: At busy times, such as Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public car park in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid blocking people's residence and shops.

TEA & COFFEE : Tea & Coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after mass on Sundays and Tuesdays.

PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Holder	Clifton Diocese
Account Number	66287375
Sort Code	52-10-03

Anniversaries: We pray for the dead, and those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Diocesan Prayer Link: St. Peter & St. Paul, Bath

Pope's Message: The Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of September is for The Care for Water.

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.