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Liturgy this week 8th – 14th August 2009

Saturday 8th Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Reconciliation	5.00pm
	Mass	5.30pm
Sunday 9th	Mass	9.30am
Wednesday 12th	Mass	7.00pm

Next Week's readings
Apocalypse 11:19; 12:1-6.10; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26; Luke 1: 39.56

Simon's Shoulder Bear one another's burdens Galatians 6.2: In your Prayers please remember those parishioners and others who are ill, homebound, or recovering from surgery, especially those suffering from influenza, those Injured in conflict, Bishop Alexander, Rita Lyons and Catherine Elgar.

May they rest in Peace; Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Father Eric Foxwell and the soldiers killed in Afghanistan. We pray to for all whose anniversaries fall at this time especially Anne Gwyn Morgan-Jones. May they all rest in peace, Amen.

First Communion & Confirmation; Classes will begin this September in preparation for these Sacraments. Please register with the Parish Office if you wish to join these programmes. Bishop Declan has agreed to conduct the Sacrament of Confirmation on 12th November 2009; it is therefore very important that we have sufficient numbers for the occasion. Those interested please return your form to the office as soon as possible please, thank you.

MGR William Mitchell RIP: As you are all aware Saturday 29th August 2009 is the first anniversary of Mgr Mitchell's death. Fr Patrick will be offering both masses of the weekend in memory of Mgr William. After the Saturday evening mass we will be having a small reception in his memory. Coffee will be served on Sunday as usual. We are hoping to have a permanent memorial in the church in his memory at a later date. All donations towards this will be most welcome, thank you.

Fr Patrick's Silver Jubilee: As you perhaps already know Fr Patrick was the first Married Englishman to be ordained as a Roman Catholic Priest. There will be a thanksgiving Mass to celebrate his 25 years as a priest on Friday 14th August 2009 at 7.30pm to which everyone is invited; followed by a reception in the hall. It will be lovely for us to join Fr Patrick for this special occasion. We have printed copies of an article Fr Patrick wrote for the Diocesan website titled "A Twenty Five Year Reflection" which is very interesting.

RCIA: As mentioned recently this is the process where people can explore the possibility of coming into full communion with the Catholic Church. It will begin later in September and anyone interested is welcome to join us so if you have a spouse, partner or friend who would like to know more please let Fr Patrick know. There has already been some interest shown so hopefully we will have a nice little group to proceed together.

Parish Registration Forms: We would like to update our Parish Records; please take a form to fill in and return to the parish office by 10th August 2009. Any details that you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence

A Future with Fewer Priests Many parishioners will be aware of this consultative document. It was prepared by a sub committee of the Deanery Pastoral Council. The parish has obtained copies of the report at £2 each and are available in the church porch. We have produced a questionnaire, which we like you all to complete and return to the parish office please by the end of August 2009. We hope to discuss the results at the AGM in October.

Holiday at Home: Contributions of puddings or cakes needed for Holiday at Home 12th and 13th August. There is a list in the church porch with what is required, thank you.

Living Your Faith Summer Camps: Weeks of fun, games and faith for young people in our Parishes are held at Nympsfield in August. For children age 7-11 and 12-15. Please see poster on notice board if you are interested.

Holidays: May all those who are travelling at this time of year have a safe journey and wonderful holiday.

Last Weeks Collection: raised £190.00. Thank you very much.

Next Weekend: Father Dan Horgan will be celebrating mass and making an appeal on behalf of the Missionary Society of St Columban.

Any news you would like to put into the bulletin? Please contact: Elaine Wright at the Parish Office or email: *elaine.wright@stmichaelstetbury.org.uk* by Friday morning please.

THIS WEEK
READER: SATURDAY : John Weedon **SUNDAY:** Richard Lark
CHURCH CLEANING: Pat Martin and Carol Hancock
FLOWERS: Sue Rooker
NEXT WEEK
READER: **SATURDAY:** Pam Taylor **SUNDAY:** Patricia Dent
CHURCH CLEANING: Sue Ignall and Gill Weedon
FLOWERS: Sue Rooker

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