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 Parish Office open: Monday and Thursday: 12.00-14.00pm
 Tuesday and Friday: 10 –12.00pm

Liturgy this week 23rd to 28th August 2009
 Saturday 23rd 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Reconciliation 5.00pm
 Mass 5.30pm
 Sunday 24th Mass 9.30am
 Wednesday 26th Mass 7.00pm
*Next Week's readings Deuteronomy 4: 2-2: 6-8; James 1:7-18. 21-22.17;
 Mark: 1-8. 14-15.21-23*

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, Rita Lyons, Catherine Elgar and Philip Gleave.

May they rest in Peace; Please pray for all those who have died recently especially the soldiers killed in Afghanistan. We pray to for all whose anniversaries fall at this time especially Josef Slezak and Agnes Cockran. May they all rest in peace, Amen.

Confirmation; The first Confirmation class takes place this Sunday afternoon at 3pm Please register with the Parish Office.. 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..

First Communion The Parish will be holding First Communion in 2010 if you wish to join this programmes please return your form to the office as soon as possible please, thank you

MGR William Mitchell (Fr Bill RIP): Next 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 Fr Bill. 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.

Parish Registration Forms: We would like to update our Parish Records; the Parish Registration forms should have been completed by 10th August 2009; if you haven't yet completed and returned yours please do so as soon as possible, thanks. 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.

Last Weeks Collection: raised £109.00. Fr Dan Hogan has said thank you very much for your generous second collection of £194 for the missionary work.

Thanks: Last weekend I fulfilled a longstanding commitment to preside at the weekend Masses at Fairford and Cricklade and although it was good to see old friends I certainly missed being with you all in Tetbury. Those who came from Fairford for my Jubilee Mass were most impressed with everything as indeed I was. Although I have only been here for a short while as you parish priest you all did such a wonderful job and words can never fully express my deepest appreciation for everything. I am especially touched by the lovely silver cross you gave me and I will wear it with honour today so that you all can see it.

Future Spiritual and Social Events: Please take a leaflet detailing all the events that are planned for the Parish between now and the beginning of Advent. We hope that you all will join in with us as we build our parish community.

Pastoral Council: The minutes of our last Pastoral Council meeting are available in the church porch; **please read them, thank you.**

Safeguarding: We are so pleased to have people who are willing to lead the Children's Liturgy of the word at Sunday Mass; however it is required that there should be at least 2 adults present with them so when they leave the general assembly; please take care that someone has been cleared goes to help.

Office Hours: Please note that the office will be open on Thursday 9am to 11am this week.

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 – 22 nd -28 th August 2009	
READER: SATURDAY: : Pam Orr	SUNDAY: Tony Keck
CHURCH CLEANING: Mary Kitchen and Helen Fathers	
FLOWERS: Janet Booth	
NEXT WEEK – 29 th August – 4 th September 2009	
READER: SATURDAY Elaine Wright	SUNDAY: Sarah Cornell
CHURCH CLEANING: Derek and Pam Taylor	
FLOWERS: Janet Booth	

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