

*St Michaels Church, The Green, Tetbury*

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2014: Mass 9.00am  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Ministers of Holy Communion:  
Les Holland and Deacon Steve  
Ministers of the Word:  
Rachel Moody and Jane Archer

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2014: Mass 10.00am  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014: Meditation Group 10.00am

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014: Mass 9.00am –  
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Ministers of Holy Communion:  
Shelia Davies and Pam Orr  
Ministers of the Word:  
Youth of our Parish

*Church Open during the Week for Prayer and Reflection:*

Tuesday 13.00pm to 16.00pm; Wednesday and Friday 10.00am to 14.00pm

*Parish Office Open*

Tuesday 13.00pm to 16.00pm; Wednesday and Friday 10.00am to 14.00pm

*Flowers*

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Jan Healy

*Church Cleaning*

Week Commencing 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Carol Hancock and Pat Martin

Week Commencing 17<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Mary Kitchen and Helen Fathers

*Collection Counters*

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Elaine and Kevin

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Elaine and Tony

*Contact us:*

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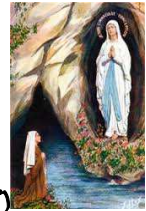
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**Welcome to St Michaels Church:** We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting in our parish for the first time. We pray for God's special Blessings on you. We wish you a very happy & holy worship with us. If you are new to the Parish, we welcome you, please complete a Registration Form and hand it to Elaine.

**Liturgy of the Word**

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Isaiah 58: 7-10

**Responsorial Psalm: The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright**

Second Reading: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 2: 1-5

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I am the light of the world says the Lord;  
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.**

**Alleluia!**

Gospel: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 5: 13-16

**Message from Pope Francis:** Pope Francis spoke of the importance of the Eucharist in his weekly public audience last week... In our catechesis on the sacraments of Christian initiation, we now reflect on the Eucharist, the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. As the source of the Church's life, the Eucharist accompanies every step of our pilgrimage of faith, fellowship and witness. The Mass is a banquet which nourishes us not only with the bread of life received from the altar, where Christ's sacrifice is offered, but also with the proclamation of God's word in the Scriptures. At the Last Supper, Christ gave us this sacrament when he broke bread and offered the cup as the foreshadowing of his sacrifice on the Cross. In the Eucharistic sacrifice, Jesus has thus given us the supreme prayer of thanksgiving to God our merciful Father. As the memorial of the Lord's passion, death and resurrection, the Eucharist makes present the paschal mystery in all its saving power. May we give thanks for this great gift, which grants us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet when we will see God face to face. Let us ask the Lord, present in this holy sacrament, always to shape our lives and our communities.

## *Parish Care and News*

### *Please remember in your prayers*

Those who are sick including Mgr Gabriel Leyden, Fr Michael Davies, Bill Brewer, Finola Dignan, Patricia Baker, Monica Whaley, Anne Dewey, Santina Long, Shelia Moore, Joan Agassi, Alexander Conway, and Rex Chapman

*(please inform Elaine of any changes to be made to this list)*

RIP those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Coffee/tea:** Please do join us for coffee in the hall after Mass. It is a great way to catch up with old friends and make new ones. Everybody is welcome.

**Fr Issy:** A year ago tomorrow, Fr Issy celebrated his first Mass with us as our priest. We hope that he has enjoyed the year with us and we thank him for his humility and guidance. We look forward to him spending a few more years with us. May God continue to Bless and guide him.

**World Challenge Concert:** Please support Lucy who has help to organise a concert to raise funds for the World Challenge team in aid of their expedition to Cambodia and Laos in July which she is taking part. The concert is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014 @ 7.00pm in the Orangery at Westonbirt School. The Avening Angels are also taking part; as you know we have been delighted that they have been part of our Michael Fest celebrations over the past few years. Tickets are priced at £5 for adults and £2 for under 18s. These can be purchased from the school on 01666 880333.

**Calling all decorating enthusiasts:** If you have any spare time would you like to put your talents to good use by helping to refurbish the presbytery? If you are free to help, please contact the parish office in the first instance on 01666 502367 asap, thank you.

### **Parish Finance**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2014 Collection £103.50

Standing Orders January 2014 £927.25

Tax Refund December 2013 £300.56

**Thank you.**

### *TACT*

**Women's Day of Prayer:** This will be held this year on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2014 in Christchurch. There is a planning session on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014 in Christchurch @ 2.00pm. All those interested in taking part are welcome to attend. There will be a rehearsal on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2014 @ 2.00pm. Please let me know if you would like to take part but are unable to attend next Friday; thank you.

**Taize:** There is a Taize Prayer service in Christchurch on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014 @ 8.00 pm; Everyone is welcome.

### *Diocesan News*

**Pilgrimage to Assisi:** The Diocesan is organising a pilgrimage to Assisi by Bishop Declan from 22 – 29 July 2014. It costs from £799 per person. Booking has opened with a deposit payable of £160 pp. to reserve a place (there are only 50 places). Details of the trip and schedule are on the notice board and the Diocesan website. [www.cliftondiocese.com](http://www.cliftondiocese.com)

**Clifton Lourdes Pilgrimage 2014:** Bishop Declan invites us to join him on the Diocesan Pilgrimage from Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2014. To enable the very sick to join the pilgrimage a Jumbulance has been booked. For further information please see the poster in the porch and contact the Pilgrimage Director Deacon David Wakefield; Tel: 07711834800 or [Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com).

**Young Peoples Musical:** Born for This is a unique and prayerful musical, performed by young people from our local secondary schools and colleges, that brings the Stations of the Cross to life. There will be performances on Friday 28 February at the Immaculate Conception, Stroud and on Saturday 1 March at St Gregory's, Cheltenham, both starting at 7.30pm. Admission is free. More information: [www.cliftondiocese.com/youthministry](http://www.cliftondiocese.com/youthministry).

### *Vocations*

**Vocations:** Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life in our Diocese of Clifton. We need more priests to carry on the legacy of our priests who have passed away in recent years and those who are now retired. We thank them for their work in our Diocese and pray that more young men will answer God's call.

**Special Retreat - 18-40?** Interested in exploring more about your vocation? Or just want to be better informed about this whole area? If so, there is a special retreat being held at the Bernadine Cistercian Monastery at Brownhill, Stroud, 14-16 February, led by Fr Matt Anscombe and with various speakers, the charge is just £25. Contact Fr. Matt for more details: [vocations@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@cliftondiocese.com).

**Vocation Matters: "A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden"** The southwest is well known for its Bronze Age hilltop forts. As defensive settlements they couldn't be hidden but instead they made a statement, "Get off my land!" As Christians, we are called to stand out like a city on a hilltop. Our primary aim is not defence though. Our hilltop city is supposed to attract others so that they will encounter the living God and feel safe and at peace within its streets. After all, whatever our vocation is, the deepest reason for being given this is so that we might reflect Christ's light to the world. If we're all serious about living out our vocation then we will be a truly sacred city for all to see.

### *Remembering in your Prayers*

**Marriage Week:** Please remember all married couples during this week of the Celebration of Marriage. We pray for the repose of the soul of their husband or wife of those who has passed away.

### **World Day of Prayer for the sick and their carers:**

Pope Francis has asked that we pray for all who are sick in the world and for those who care for them.

### *Second Collection*

There is a second collection next Sunday for the Catholic Education Service. Please give generously, thank you.