

Parish of Sacred Heart Tisbury & All Saints' Wardour

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The Parish Office will be closed from 22nd December to 4th January 2024

THIRD and FOURTH SUNDAYS OF ADVENT (YEAR B) THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

NEXT YEAR: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration weekly at Sacred Heart. Please let us know when you would like this. (as in- have the best chance of getting there for a short time!) Wednesdays or Fridays from 9 a.m.?

Tuesday 19th December: 9.30 a.m. Mass at Wardour.

This will be a whole school Mass with carols. Parishioners are warmly invited and the children would love lots of us to be there.

Preparing for the Coming of Christ at Christmas:

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE; Tuesday 19th December 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart. There will be a short service at 6 p.m. led by Father Jonathan and Father Joseph who will then be available to hear individual confessions.

Candlelit Advent Carol Service and Benediction Saturday 23rd December 5pm All Saints Chapel, Wardour. celebrated by Fr Jonathan Creer. Music Director: Nicholas Walker, Soloist Iúnó Connolly and the Wardour Chapel Choir. All welcome. Retiring collection for the Chapel.



PRAYERS: Our prayers are asked for Chris Davies, Zac Watts, Jo Richards, Frances Ormerod, Pat Elwood, Charles Fairhurst, Gilly Hooper, Angela Smith. For all those among the sick,

the recovering, for those having treatment and all those who care for the sick. For residents and staff at Albany House, The Hays, Clouds House.

For the people of Ukraine and the Middle East.

PLEASE NOTE: Father Jonathan will be away after Christmas Masses until the weekend. In emergency, please call Father Anthony 07544 053785

New Year's Eve – 11.45pm – Wardour Chapel – the Te Deum will be sung in thanksgiving for the year ending, followed by Benediction in prayer for the new year. All welcome.

17 SUNDAY THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B) Gaudete Sunday

9.00 a.m. Sacred Heart: **YOUTH Mass**

(Mass Intention: Edith Fry RIP; Geoffrey Fry RIP)

10.30 a.m. All Saints' Wardour: SOLEMN MASS

(Mass Intention: for the people of the Parish)

Diocesan Prayer League: St Benet, Kemerton/St Joseph, Tewkesbury; St Nicholas, Winchcombe

Day of prayer for expectant mothers

18 MONDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Adonai)

Sacred Heart: MP at 8.45 a.m.

Rosary for Ukraine and the Middle East

19 TUESDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Radix)

9.30 a.m. Wardour: MASS

20 WEDNESDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Clavis David)

8.45 a.m. Sacred Heart: Morning Prayer

21 THURSDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Oriens)

6.00 p.m. Sacred Heart Mass Evening Prayer 5.40 p.m.

(Mass Intention: Leslie Butler RIP)

22 FRIDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Rex Gentium)

8.45 a.m. Sacred Heart: Morning Prayer

23 SATURDAY Weekday of Advent II (O Emmanuel)

24 SUNDAY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B) Gaudete Sunday

9.00 a.m. Sacred Heart: Parish Mass

(Mass Intention: for the people of the Parish)

10.30 a.m. All Saints' Wardour: **SUNG MASS**

(Mass Intention: Mons. Francis Jamieson)

Diocesan Prayer League: St Bernadette's Whitchurch; St Dunstan, Keynsham

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Holyday of Obligation)

5.30 p.m. (on 24th) Carols followed by first Mass of Christmas at 6.00 p.m.

11.30 p.m. MIDNIGHT MASS

25 9.00 a.m. Sacred Heart: Mass at Dawn

(Mass Intention: for the people of the Parish)

10.30 a.m. All Saints' Wardour: Solemn Mass of the Day

(Mass Intention: for the people of the Parish)

26 TUESDAY Feast of Saint Stephen, Martyr (No Mass today)

27 WEDNESDAY FEAST OF SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

Sacred Heart: Morning Prayer 8.45 a.m.

28 THURSDAY FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

(No Mass today)

29 FRIDAY FEAST OF SAINT THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP, MARTYR

Sacred Heart: Morning Prayer 8.45 a.m.

30 SATURDAY SIXTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

31 SUNDAY THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

9.00 a.m. Sacred Heart: **Parish Mass**

(Mass Intention: for the people of the Parish)

10.30 a.m. All Saints' Wardour: **SUNG MASS**

(Mass Intention: for the people of the Parish)

Diocesan Prayer League: St Thomas More, Marlborough with Pewsey

11.45 p.m. All Saints' Wardour: Te Deum sung in thanksgiving for the year followed by Benediction in prayer for the New Year

JANUARY 2024

1 MONDAY SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9.00 a.m. Sacred Heart: Mass (MP at 8.45 a.m.)

Message from Father Jonathan. Admin Team: our group of parishioners are keeping me up to date with all the pastoral and administrative work of the parish. We meet fortnightly to discuss matters and events, look at what needs doing, feedback parishioners' comments and questions. Topics at the moment are our various Advent, Christmas and New Year liturgy and services, keeping up with ordering items needed in the Parish, parishioners needs and concerns. Clearly mission is the most important part of this and we hope to see opportunities grow in 2024. The team comprises of me, Deacon Michael, Mark Shuldham (Chair of PPC), Alan MacDermot, Sue Berkley-Matthews, Robert Vaux (treasurer) and Catherine Vaux (catechist and administrator) Rachel Sykes comes in on Fridays and organises the printing of the newsletter as well as many other tasks. Each day emails and phone calls are answered promptly, calls returned when messages left. If there is anything you would like discussed at these meetings please let us know. Father Jonathan

2024 Year of Prayer

Pope Francis has named 2024 the Year of Prayer, a year spent in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope. There's a new page on the Clifton Diocese website to share news about the year of prayer, new resources to deepen your prayer life, and point towards celebrations that will come in 2025.

The first event for the year of prayer will be a livestream on the diocesan website <u>Pilgrims of Hope: The 2025 Jubilee in Clifton</u> 1 February **(7:30-8:45 pm)**. It will introduce the jubilee year, providing context for the current three-year programme (2023 – Year of the Council, 2024 – Year of Prayer, 2025 Jubilee – Pilgrims of Hope), as well as background for jubilees – how they originated, their role in Scripture, and how jubilees have been used in the Church. It will conclude by exploring the theme that pope Francis chose, Pilgrims of Hope, and how Clifton Diocese can journey together over the next few years towards this great celebration.

Christmas is: the birth of Jesus,
the 'newness' that enables us to be reborn each year
and to find, in him,
the strength needed to face every trial.
Why? Because His birth is for us- for me, for you, for all of us, for everyone.

Pope Francis