

**CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY  
to UNIVERSITY OF BATH  
& BATH SPA UNIVERSITY**

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**Times of Holy Mass & Services  
PENTECOST SUNDAY  
27<sup>th</sup> May 2007 (Year C)**

**Sunday Mass:** Holy Mass every Sunday at 12 noon at The Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre, Bath University for students of University of Bath & BSU and friends.

**The term draws to an end and this Pentecost evening we will hold a Leavers' service in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre at 6.00pm. Fr.Bill has asked Catholic students to help with providing music for the style of Taizé prayer, to which we are now quite accustomed. Usual free food follows the service! Some will already have gone but come if you can. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Don't forget the good values that guide your life and be a friend to others. Keep thinking of helping others and be happy and safe by being with other good people! Share peace with all!

**Sharing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confession) before Trinity Sunday, sometimes described as fulfilling Easter duties BUT REALLY SOMETHING OF A GREAT LIFT when we have our Lord lift our burdens from us, either with Fr.Bill at a mutually convenient time on Campus or in any of the Catholic churches of Bath at announced times.

**Morning Prayer**, with Catholic students 8.30am in the meeting room at the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre this week as an when people are able using a simplified version of the Divine Office of the Church.

**WERE YOU LONELY LAST YEAR ON ARRIVAL AS A FRESHER?**

Fr.Bill & Cathsoc would be glad of your help in welcoming new Catholic students and all students at the start of the next Academic Year in various ways and events.

Please try to be with Freshers for the Sunday celebration of Holy Mass on Campus in the new term for the first two or three weeks at least and especially on 30<sup>th</sup> Sept for the welcome Freshers' Mass on Campus at 12 noon and on 7<sup>th</sup> Oct at 6.30pm at St.John the Evangelist's, Bath for the **Catholic Chaplaincy Opening Holy Mass of the Academic Year** with the Downside Schola Cantorum and a reception afterwards. Remember how it helped you to find others gathered and welcoming. **PUT SOMETHING BACK IN!** Stick it in your diary and offer to help Fr.Bill with the event – please e-mail him to say if you would be around FOR that and that you would be willing to give him a hand.

Please do let Fr.Bill know when you finally leave the University **or are away on placement** – don't just disappear! It is good to know you are safe & well and what you are doing next!

Some members of our Catholic community of students and 'Cathsoc' members will move on this summer to placements, and others will graduate this year and go on to great things elsewhere. We are going to miss you! Next Autumn others will begin living off Campus or will move off Campus. Please don't lose contact but sign up the list for those who want to keep in touch with their new e-mails! N.B. your Bath e-mails will be discontinued after graduation! **LET FR.BILL KNOW YOUR GRADUATION SESSION, PLEASE!** Please let Fr.Bill know your changed contact details with any new postal address & phone details for the coming year or please fill in a new Catholic Chaplaincy Form available from Fr.Bill – it helps him very much in keeping in touch with students both in Cathsoc and those not. That would be really great!

**Make Poverty History** pl edge is still important and the G8 meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> June needs us to stand in solidarity with poor communities and send a message that "The World Can't Wait!" For those still around **Thur 14th @ 7.15pm**

in the Sacristy @ Ss Peter & Paul we will show '**Romero**' who said "Aspire not to have more but to be more" - Archbishop Oscar Romero (1917-1980) Archbishop of El Salvador **Thur 21st, June** in the Sacristy @ Ss Peter & Paul @ **7.15pm**—Talk by **Dr.Séverine Deneuilin** on '**The Progress of Peoples**' or '**Populorum Progressio**'. All welcome.

**About the St Vincent de Paul Society**

The St Vincent de Paul Society (or as it is often known - the SVP) is an international Christian voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty and disadvantage by providing practical assistance to those in need - irrespective of ideology, faith, ethnicity, age or gender. Founded by students, y Frederic Ozanam and his companions, and initially formed in Paris in 1833, the Society is a lay organisation, active in England & Wales since 1844. The SVP today runs an active programme of youth development in parishes, schools and universities.

Placed under the Patronage of St Vincent de Paul, it is inspired by his thinking and works. It seeks, in the spirit of justice and charity, to help those who are suffering poverty in whatever form.

The work of the SVP falls into two main areas: membership activity and Special Works.

The main work of the volunteer members is to befriend and assist individuals and families in need on a person-to-person basis, through visits to domestic residences, care homes, hospitals, prisons and other institutions. In England & Wales, around 10,000 volunteer members in 1,100 mainly parish-based groups make more than half a million visits each year to vulnerable people in their communities.

In addition to member visits, the Society also operates a number of "Special Works", which seek to serve people in a wider area or give more specialised help in a certain aspect of the work. These Special Works currently include holiday schemes, children's summer camps, furniture stores, community shops, support centres, soup runs, residential care, deaf clubs, debt counselling, community transport and asylum care. Direct support and financial assistance is also provided to people in need overseas through its international network of volunteers and the SVP Disaster Fund.

**SVPSoc @ University of Bath** was founded in 2001 and goes from strength to strength. Matthew Bewers is the new SVP

President in succession to Bokani Tshidzu, who has done so much this year to advance the efforts of the **SVPSoc**. If you would like to find out more contact Matt either before the end of term or on your return in Autumn.

**Help others to know that we are here!**

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Please do take a look & tell others it is there. Over the vacation it will be the guide to what is happening

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**OUR LADY'S ROSARY FOR PEACE IN MAY**

THE ROSARY For Peace REALLY last time this term on Friday at 1.15pm IN ECUMENICAL CHAPLAINCY CENTRE. People can meet in the Prayer Corner with whoever can manage to come. The Rosary takes only 15 MINS to pray. Numbers present do not matter. In May also try to pray the Rosary by yourself or in small groups.

**Fr.Bill with the Anglican chaplain at Bath Spa University holds the Ecumenical Chaplains' Charity Soup Lunch/** or when weather favours it, fruit Salad Cup +Biscuits continues on Thursdays until 14<sup>th</sup> June at Newton St.Loe Campus to raise money for Water Aid. If ever any BSU students wanted to help with this, it would be marvellous and a good outreach. Please let Father Bill know via e-mail.

**REMEMBERING SICK AND INFIRM FRIENDS**

We pray for all the sick known to us among the community of the University including Esmé Griffin—a U of Bath Pharmacy Student in hospital but making good progress and Tom also ill - and our families and for those who care for them.

Even if no use to you, please collect Sainsbury (last date is 29<sup>th</sup> May)/ Tesco tokens as well as used postage stamps you don't need ( tear a good corner of paper around the stamp) that would be worth gathering **for the Catholic Schools, Fr.Bill's Parish & Charity** – e.g. Tesco & Sainsbury's School Vouchers are needed – bring to Sunday Mass.

**World Youth Day takes place in Sydney Australia in July 2008. Are we organising a group to go from Bath Catholic Chaplaincy? We would need to start preparations and fundraising soon!!**

Fr. Bill OSM is in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Office at Bath Campus **at agreed times, if you need a private word or chat**, and at Bath Spa University Newton Park Campus **at other agreed times**. He can, of course, be contacted by phone 01225.832096 (best time between 8-9 am most days)

**All are always welcome to help prepare the music and arrangements** for the following Sunday's Liturgy and especially with the International Mass. Have a chat with our musicians after Holy Mass. Please help Jude and Orman with practical tasks!

**Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation?** We are preparing for future celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation IN THE Autumn session. Please let Fr. Bill, OSM know if you have not yet been confirmed and wish to be helped to prepare. Those already confirmed need to reflect on Faith individually and with others such as RCIA meeting in Father Bill's parish or other venues? If you don't know what RCIA is, find out from Fr. Bill..