

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

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**Times of Holy Mass & Services  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
MOTHERING SUNDAY  
2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2008 (Year A)**

**Sunday Mass:** Holy Mass every Sunday at Bath University Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre at 12 noon

*PLEASE HELP ALL TO BENEFIT FROM SILENCE  
IN THE CHURCH & AT ALL SERVICES HERE*

**Happy Mother's Day** In some way express your thanks to your Mothers - living or dead - this day.

*Whether here at Holy Mass for the first  
time or returning after time away,  
please always know we are very glad  
to have you with us!*

**SACRAMENT of Confession & Reconciliation** (by arrangement with Fr.Bill at any mutually convenient time or see times in Catholic churches in Bath listed in the Catholic Chaplaincy Flyer). It is a good thing to share in this Sacrament before Easter and one of the precepts of the Church – check it in The Catechism of the Catholic Church.

**Fr.Bill OSM** always tries to be in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Office at Bath Campus at agreed times, if you need a private word, the Sacrament of Confession or just a chat, and at Bath Spa University Newton Park Campus on Wednesdays between 1-2 pm again at agreed times. He can, of course, be contacted at other times on e-mail [catholicchaplain@bath.ac.uk](mailto:catholicchaplain@bath.ac.uk) and phone 01225.832096 (best time between 8-9 am most days).

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**Date:** Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2008

**Time:** 6.30pm (usually until 8.00pm)

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YOU MAY BE LOOKING FOR STUDENT ACCOMMODATION FOR SEPT 2008-2009. A SUITABLE CENTRAL BATH 2 BEDROOM + SHOWER ROOM FLAT WITH DINING/KITCHEN/LIVING ROOM IS AVAILABLE TO SUITABLE PARTIES: DETAILS FROM FR.BILL, OSM AS AP.

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**Altar Servers, Musicians, Readers,  
Eucharistic Ministers**

Not everybody wants to join organised things, but we can all give a hand with making the Liturgy a rich experience. Please let Fr.Bill know of willingness to help with these ways of assisting with the Liturgy. You may have been ministering elsewhere already or may like to be trained or even retrained to serve in these ways.

**All are always welcome to help prepare the music and arrangements** for the following Sunday's Liturgy.

**EASTER? EASTER? EASTER? EASTER?**

Student Cross 2008– Friday 14th March - Easter Sunday 23rd March (Holy Week & Easter) The Walk to Walsingham in Norfolk with the Student Cross pilgrimage to celebrate Easter with many young people as an interesting change from past celebrations of Holy Week services and how to take part.

Contact: [www.studentcross.org.uk](http://www.studentcross.org.uk)

**We are already looking for good successors to the current office holders in the Cathsoc Committee.** Start thinking about it, please, and approach likely candidates to see how they feel or maybe you could even ask **YOURSELF** to take on a role! **This is a fresh start and you may have ideas that are different but helpful. Nothing is set in stone, so don't just wait for things to happen – get involved, please!**

**Let your light shine! BOTH CATHSOC COMMITTEES OF UNIVERSITY OF BATH & BATH SPA UNIVERSITY – ALWAYS LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.**

**RCIA Team** at Ss Peter & Paul on Wed 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm (beginning with Stations of the Cross) meets along with new 'Enquirers'.& those recently received. The whole Catholic Community in the universities in Bath and not just those who lead the RCIA must encourage this interest. Let us all pray for those drawn to join the Community of Catholic Faith with us in communion with our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI. Feel welcome to join us when you like but please let Fr.Bill know or speak with him before coming along.

**Sat 8th March:** For Candidates and Catechumens - From Darkness to Light: A Day of Prayer and Reflection on the Easter Vigil led by Monsignor Jeremy Rigden. 10.30 am - 3.30 pm (coffee 10 am, please bring a packed lunch). Newman Hall, Westbury on Trym. Phone Ronnie Mitchison on 0117 902 5595

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Preparation for future celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation is beginning. Let Fr.Bill know if you would like to prepare or even refresh your understanding of this part of our Faith.

You, the already confirmed but not so sure of your faith might like to take part in discussion groups and reflecting on Faith groups including the Cathsoc regular meeting and at the same time help others.

**All are welcome to help with the SOUP RUN to people living on the streets in Bath:** Next session on Friday 7th March at 3pm in the Sacristy of the church. Parishioners at Sts.Peter & Paul, Combe Down meet as a group to prepare sandwiches and these are taken down in the evening to Bath for the Homeless. If you'd like to help just meet in the Sacristy at 112 Entry Hill. No.13 Bus from Royal Hotel near Railway Station. Further info from Fr.Bill,OSM.

**THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**DON'T FORGET ON** Fridays during Lent we hold **THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS** in the ECUMENICAL CHAPLAINCY CENTRE at 1.20pm and lasts FOR 15-20 MINS – ALL WELCOME. We can meet in the Prayer Corner with whoever can manage to come. Explanatory cards are on the prayer table. This can be a lay-led prayer. Even if you can't come every week drop in when possible. Numbers present do not matter BUT BETTER IF WE HAD 14 AT LEAST with each one holding a Station picture in the circle in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Room and leading the prayer for that Station. It is a very simple witness to OUR FAITH AND CAN BE VERY APOSTOLIC. The devotion is Franciscan in origin. If fewer are present then the station picture may be simply changed and displayed for all to see in the Prayer Corner

**Ss Peter & Paul Parish (Fr.Bill's) are holding a Skittles Evening at The Horseshoe,** Combe Down on Friday 14th March at 7 p.m. Student tickets will be £4 to include bread a cheese supper. As usual there will be prizes and a raffle. Tickets available from Jane and John 837573.

**Live it!** An event to celebrate the 'live simply' Challenge 14/15 March 2008. God calls us to live simply, sustainably and in solidarity with the poor 'Livesimply Network' offers a major event in March to celebrate, showcase and inspire people for the future about 'livesimply' called 'Live it!' The main event is aimed at those 18+ on the Friday evening and runs through to Saturday evening. As future and current young Catholic leaders some of you might be persuaded to be part of this event.

Keep enjoying the good things, don't forget the good values that guide your life and be a friend to others here. Take the good advice of so many to keep happy and safe by being with other good people and look out for one another especially over the coming weeks of pressure in revising and exams! Let your light shine forth and do not always look for a reward for what you do here! Stand for your own Catholic values and don't be too easily swayed in the wrong way by others. If anyone seems in need of a friendly word then give it or at least draw attention to someone who might be able to give them a little encouragement.

**REMEMBERING SICK AND INFIRM FRIENDS**

We pray for all the sick known to us, especially among the community of the University and including Mark Price and Danny Maye and for those who care for them.

**Constant need to deepen our reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist.**

However you decide to receive Our Lord in Holy Communion do so with clear reverence. If you receive the Body of Christ in the hand, make sure to form a little throne with the palm of your hand in which to receive and consume the host before leaving the priest or minister. Do not take the host from the priest or minister merely with your fingers. Please, never wear gloves when presenting your hand to receive or fail to have clean hands. When receiving from the chalice, take a firm hold of the chalice by the stem. Whether we receive only the host or from the chalice, one receives Our Risen Lord, whole and entire– Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. To drink from the chalice is the fullness of the sign – take and drink! If you have some reason for not drinking from the chalice, do not be anxious but know you have received Our Lord fully in the Sacrament. Vocabulary influences the way we think, and so it is a good idea to refer to receiving the "Host" or "Body of Christ" and the "Precious Blood" from the chalice. At that point it is, as we believe, no longer merely bread and wine, but the true Body and Blood of Christ.