

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

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**Times of Holy Mass & Services  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2008 (Year A)**

**Sunday Mass:** Holy Mass every Sunday at Bath University Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre except Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March but once again on 6<sup>th</sup> April, the day before term resumes.

**HAPPY EASTER**

**at the end of the Octave!**

While away, take good care of yourselves and experience the Peace of Christ and share it with others where you can.

*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!*

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

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

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.

**THE ROSARY FOR PEACE** resumes on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April** and on following **FRIDAYS IN ECUMENICAL CHAPLAINCY CENTRE** @ 13.20pm People can meet in the Prayer Corner with whoever can manage to come. The Rosary is easy to use - explanatory cards on the prayer table. THE ROSARY LASTS FOR 15 MINS - ALL WELCOME. This CAN BE a lay-led prayer and can happen whether Fr.Bill is present or not. Even if you can't come every week drop in sometimes. It is a very simple witness to OUR FAITH AND CAN BE VERY APOSTOLIC. Its power as prayer for others and especially for Peace is well known.

**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).

**CATHSOC COMMITTEES OF UNIVERSITY OF BATH (contact Jon Wagner) & BATH SPA UNIVERSITY (Contact Rosie Campbell) - ALWAYS LIKE TO HEAR FROM CURRENT AND NEW MEMBERS WITH YOUR IDEAS AND OFFERS OF HELP.** Help others to know that we are here by bringing them along with you and letting them know of the websites.

We may have great committees but it has to be said the committee is only as good as the support it receives from the membership, so don't just wait for things to happen - get involved, please! **Don't forget the University of Bath Cathsoc AGM & Election of the new Committee on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April @ 6.30pm**

**REMEMBERING SICK AND INFIRM FRIENDS**

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

**Catholic Students and Friends are welcome to help with the SOUP RUN to people living on the streets in Bath:** Next session Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. 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. Other churches of Bath take turns at this task and you can help whenever and wherever you find it convenient. Further info from Fr.Bill.OSM.

**Please fill in the Catholic Chaplaincy Form - helps very much in keeping contact with students**

**both in Cathsoc and those not. Print e-mail very clearly, please, or even better send an e-mail to him on :**

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**When you move on, go on placement, or are ill please let Father Bill know and don't just disappear from view!**

**DIVINE MERCY AT ST.JOHN'S**

Some have been asking about how to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. To experience it with others, please go to St.John's on Low Sunday afternoon. Some are convinced that this is what brought them or their loved ones back to the Faith, the Church Christ founded, in conjunction with the rosaries offered by many mothers, modern-day St. Monicas.

Use a regular rosary. For those who do not know what this is, it is a "sacramental". We Catholics use it to mark our place in prayer. The rosary consists of a crucifix, a large bead, 3 small beads, another large bead and then a medal of some sort...usually the Blessed Mother or the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Then are 10 small beads, a large bead...and these alternate for a total of 5 "decades". The Dominican Rosary contains 20 decades.

Low Sunday is a day of Divine Mercy.

To begin, say the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Apostles' Creed.

Then, on the large bead (or the medal), say:

"ETERNAL FATHER, I OFFER YOU THE BODY AND BLOOD, SOUL AND DIVINITY, OF YOUR DEARLY BELOVED SON, OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, IN ATONEMENT FOR OUR SINS AND THOSE OF THE WHOLE WORLD:

On the smaller beads (the "Hail Mary" beads), say "FOR THE SAKE OF HIS SORROWFUL PASSION, HAVE MERCY ON US AND ON THE WHOLE WORLD". (10 times) When you have completed all 5 decades and reach the medal again, say, "HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY ONE, HOLY IMMORTAL ONE, HAVE MERCY ON US AND ON THE WHOLE WORLD" three (3) times. And at the end it is often said, "Jesus, I trust in thee" or "Jesus, I trust in you!"

Jesus promised that anyone for whom this chaplet is recited while they lay dying, he will stand for them not as just judge, but as merciful saviour. And he says the same of anyone who will recite this chaplet as applicable to themselves.

**S.V.P.Soc (Society of St.Vincent de Paul) is doing good work . The President is Matt Bewer . All welcome to find out more about this apostolic group that helps those in need.**

**Schools Vouchers** from the various supermarkets and stores: Please **ask** for these and save them to bring to the box in the porch for St.John's Catholic Primary School and St.Gregory's Catholic College.

**Used Stamps for the Missions please put them** in the box provided and ensure that you tear off a sizable good corner of envelope around the stamp. Do not cut close to the stamp or it means they lose value.

**The Next International Student Mass' will be held on Pentecost Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2008.** Try to join us for that & Help with the Music (Prayer & Style from all over the Catholic World) followed by 'Bring and Share' International Buffet Lunch organised by Cathsoc and everyone who can bring something.

**World Youth Day takes place in Sydney Australia in July 2008. There will be a Clifton Diocesan WYD event on 19<sup>th</sup> July. No details of venue as yet. More information later.**

**Catholicism and the Natural World Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 pm Free and Open to all.** A Sound of Many Waters event is being held in Clifton Cathedral when Bishop Declan, the Bishop with responsibility for the environment for the Catholic Church in England and Wales, joins Mary Colwell for an illustrated talk. Mary is a Clifton Cathedral parishioner and award-winning BBC natural history TV and radio producer.

**RCIA:** Encourage new student enquirers to take part with recently received and even 'rusty' Catholics. Let us all pray for those who might one day join the Community of Catholic Faith with us in communion with our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI. **RCIA** will continue with our **RCIA Team** on Wed 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm along with new 'Enquirers'. Feel welcome to join us when you like. Please let Fr.Bill know or speak with him before coming along.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Let Fr.Bill know if you would like to prepare or even refresh your understanding of the step of Confirmation in your life. 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 in RCIA? Find out from Fr.Bill!