

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

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**Times of Holy Mass & Services
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
27TH APRIL 2008 (Year A)**

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

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 DID NOT RECIVE THE
CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY SUMMER
RECEPTION INVITATION WITH YOUR
NAME ON IT, IT MUST BE I DO NOT
HAVE YOUR POSTAL ADDRESS.
SEND ME DETAILS VIA E.MAIL!**

The Solemnity of the Ascension is now transferred to the following Sunday (4th May) but on Thurs 1st May @ 13.20 for the start of May the Month of Our Blessed Lady and for the beginning of Novena of Prayer to the Holy Spirit for Pentecost there will be a Holy Mass in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre on Campus and you might like to join us and use it as a time of prayer to the Holy Spirit to help you in your preparations and the coming exams.

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS IN
THIS SEASON** Why not just come to the **Sacrament quietly at your own convenience!** It will be a grace for you!

The Catechism of the Catholic Church shows The Precepts of the Church guiding us as to the very

necessary minimum in the spirit of prayer & moral effort. (2041/2) and lists as the 2nd precept that 'You shall CONFESS YOUR SINS AT LEASAT ONCE A YEAR' which ensure preparation for the Eucharist by continuing the work of conversion & forgiveness.

SACRAMENT of Confession & Reconciliation (by arrangement at any mutually convenient time with Fr.Bill or see times in Catholic churches in Bath listed in the Catholic Chaplaincy Flyer).

Cathsoc Talk by Major John Guest :
'Famous Catholic Men and Women in Society and their influence on the Church'
When? Thursday 1ST May : 6:30pm
Where? Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre

Graduations: *Some of you have been asking whether Fr.Bill will make it to your session at the Graduations in June. Please drop him an e-mail to say at which session you will graduate. He may not manage to get to all, but will do his best along with other duties!*

The 15th International Student Mass on Pentecost Sunday 11th May 2008 at 12.15 in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre, Bath Campus with Fr.Bill OSM and concelebrants will take place in many languages, but with a difference!. Music from many lands! The readings, hymns and prayers for the needs of the whole world and the Church will be offered by students in a wide range of languages. The 'Hail Mary' prayer at the International Mass now runs to 60 languages! A 'Bring and Share' International Buffet usually follows with tasty foods from many places and with different styles of cooking organised by Cathsoc and everyone who can bring something however small but of your or country's tradition. Try to join us & WE NEED TO START THINKING OF IDEAS FOR THE MUSIC, PLEASE!

'Films, Fun, & Faith Nights' on Sundays [after the 6.30-pm Holy Mass @ St.John's] in the Catholic Chaplaincy Centre in Bath @ 7.30pm Students & friends from across the city gather to watch films of Catholic and wider interest and it's a great way to unwind at the end of a tiring week with a little relaxation & conversation. With the coming Olympics on our mind and the curious behaviour surrounding it this week making us ask what exactly is the Olympic ideal all about, 'Chariots of Fire' seems a good thought provoker for 18th May. Bring & Share refreshments. To find out the latest information on what films are showing, take a look at website – www.bath-catholics.org

THE ROSARY FOR PEACE takes place on **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.

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

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.

THE ROSARY FOR PEACE ON FRIDAYS IN ECUMENICAL CHAPLAINCY CENTRE @ 13.15pm 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 .

O Lord my God Teach my heart where and how to seek you, where and how to find you. Teach me to seek you, and as I seek you, show yourself to me, for I cannot seek you unless you show me how, and I will never find you unless you show yourself to me. Let me seek you by desiring you, and desire you by seeking you; let me find you by loving you, and love you in finding you.

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Fr.Bill OSM is 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 and phone 01225.832096 (best time between 8-9 am most days).

CATHSOC COMMITTEES OF UNIVERSITY OF BATH (contact new Cathsoc Pres James as our current Pres.Jon is now very busy) & **BATH SPA UNIVERSITY** (Contact Rosie Campblee) – 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!

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.

Please fill in the Catholic Chaplaincy Form – helps Fr.Bill very much in keeping pastoral 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 : catholicchaplain@bath.ac.uk catholicchaplain@bathspa.ac.uk When you move on, go on placement, or are ill please let Father Bill know and don't just disappear from view!

Please collect Used Stamps for the Missions and bring on Sundays. 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.

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.

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.

Congrats to Matt and those who took part in the important witness to the humanity of the unborn & the Sanctity of Life on Saturday in Bath.

"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world."
Pope John Paul II [The Gospel of Life]