

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

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**Times of Holy Mass & Services  
FEAST OF THE TRIUMPH OF  
THE HOLY CROSS  
RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY  
14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2008 (Year A)**

**Sundav Mass:** Holy Mass every Sunday at Bath University Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre at 12 noon. 21<sup>st</sup> Sept Sunday 12.15 will probably see some new faces and perhaps their families coming to help them settle in. Welcome to all. On 28<sup>th</sup> Sept there will be a full Freshers' Welcome Mass with Cathsoc members being around to greet newcomers.

*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!*

**YOU MAY BE LOOKING FOR STUDENT ACCOMMODATION FOR SEPT 2007-2008. A SUITABLE CENTRAL BATH 2 BEDROOM + SHOWER ROOM FLAT WITH DINING/KITCHEN/LIVING ROOM IS AVAILABLE TO SUITABLE PARTIES: RENT & NO OTHER BILLS. DETAILS FROM FR.BILL, OSM ASAP.**

**The Next W/e Catholic Chaplaincy / Cathsoc Retreat at Nympsfield 24th – 26th October 2008.** Note it in your diary & keep free. Superb w/e planned and a great time promised.

**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).

**VISIT OF PAPAL NUNCIO TO BATH HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP FAUSTINO SAINZ MUNOZ, THE APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO GREAT BRITAIN (the Pope's representative in the UK)** joins us in the wake of the World Youth Day in Sydney as the guest of Catholic Chaplaincy in the city. On Sun 5th Oct he is to preside as main celebrant at The 6th Catholic Chaplaincy to the Universities & Higher Education Holy Mass Opening the Academic Year in Bath at 6.30pm @ St.John's, South Parade. The Bath Spa University Choir and Bath Catholic Youth will sing at the Mass with Catholic students acting as servers and readers. All the parishes are welcome and it would be good to have a strong presence of youth and Catholics of all ages in the city. **Further info from catholicchaplain@bath.ac.uk or catholicchaplain@bathspa.ac.uk**

**FRESHERS' WEEK IS NEXT WEEK AND ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE WITH MAKING NEW STUDENTS WELCOME WILL BE APPRECIATED. LET FATHER BILL, OSM KNOW IF YOU CAN ASSIST.**

Don't forget the good values that guide your life and be a friend to others. Over the remainder of the summer and always as we pass through Life, think of helping others & try to take the good advice to keep happy and safe by being with other good people and helping all you can! 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.

**LOURDES:** The Holy Father is in Lourdes today and tomorrow marking the great events of the Apparition of Our Lady of Lourdes to St.Bernadette Soubirous on the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. Let us pray for him and all the pilgrims. Some of the parishioners have been on pilgrimage there recently and Fr.Bill was there last w/e as a speaker at the Pontifical Academy of International Marian Studies' Mariological Congress. He celebrated Holy Mass at the Grotto each evening at 11.00pm while there for all the sick and for our parish. There is a blessed medal for each family here and hopefully enough for one for each parishioner. Please take one from the tray. He lit a candle for our parish at the Grotto. May Our lady of

Lourdes pray for our healing and encouragement to do penance for sin and to pray the Rosary for Peace and the growth of the Faith.

**"....many talk of changing society but very few talk of changing themselves" Leo Tolstoy**

**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.** We will hold a Liturgy training day on Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Oct from 11.00am until 3.30pm including lunch.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

**Preparation for future celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin in term after the dust of Freshers' week has settled. Let Fr.Bill know if you would like to prepare or even refresh your understanding of step 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?** No, not the YMCA!!!! If you don't know what RCIA is, find out from Fr.Bill!

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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**CATHSOC COMMITTEES OF UNIVERSITY OF BATH (contact James Haigh) & BATH SPA UNIVERSITY (Contact Rosie Campble) – 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!**

**Diocesan Certificate in Pastoral Liturgy**

Are you interested in liturgy? The Department for Liturgy runs a course in Pastoral Liturgy designed to provide formation, creative skill development and education in the field of Liturgy. No previous qualifications are required, just a love of the liturgy!

The Course is designed to run over two academic years (18months), studying one module each term over four Saturdays. A new course will begin on 27th September.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. at 3pm in the Sacristy of the church, parishioners at Ss. 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 Father 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!**

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

**Prayer for Peace**

*Christ, why do you allow wars and massacres on earth? By what mysterious judgment do you allow innocent people to be cruelly slaughtered? I cannot know. I can only find assurance in the promise that your people will find peace in heaven where no one makes war. As gold is purified by fire, so you purify souls by bodily tribulations, making them ready to be received above the stars in your heavenly home.*

**Alcuin of York (c.AD 735-804)**