

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

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**Times of Holy Mass & Services
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME
HOME MISSION SUNDAY
21ST SEPTEMBER 2008 (Year A)**

Sundav Mass: Holy Mass every Sunday at Bath University Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre at 12.15

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!

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

CATHSOC COMMITTEES OF UNIVERSITY OF BATH (contact James Haigh) & BATH SPA UNIVERSITY (Contact Rosie Campbell) – WANT TO HEAR FROM CURRENT AND NEW MEMBERS WITH 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. Today after Holy Mass there will be a meeting of the Cathsoc Ctee with Father Bill.

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!

Glad you are back for this Sunday when we keep things low key because you are just arriving, but please be with us on Sunday next 28th Sept 12 15pm for the 'Welcome Back Holy Mass' for All Freshers and Student returning to Bath at Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre, Bath Campus, followed by 'Bring & Share' lunch. A chance to meet Father Bill, OSM, the Catholic Chaplain, other Catholic students, and the new Cathsoc Committee presenting their programme for the term & asking to know your wishes and hopes for the year.

Sunday 28th Sept at 5pm Holy Mass will be celebrated in the BSU Newton Park Student Union Centre for Freshers and returning students at Bath Spa University, Newton Park Campus+ Refreshments and a chance to meet BSU Cathsoc.

**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 serving, reading, helping as ushers and all whether living off campus together with those who want to go down with others from Bath Campus are welcome and it would be good to have your own presence and there will be a Reception in the Catholic Chaplaincy Centre afterwards. **Further info from catholicchaplain@bath.ac.uk or catholicchaplain@bathspa.ac.uk**

YOU MAY BE STILL 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: REASONABLE RENT & NO OTHER BILLS. DETAILS FROM FR.BILL, OSM ASAP.

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).

Events Ahead

Thursday evening 25th Sept at 6.30pm until 7.30pm there will be a chance to be with Cathsoc in the ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre. There will be Home made Soup/ Bread and Cheese – you may be tired of baked beans and hamburgers by then!

Next Saturday, 27th Sept there will be an open Tea and cakes invitation at the Catholic Chaplaincy Centre which is in central Bath [the CCC, St.John the Evangelist's Catholic church, South Parade, Bath – about 300 yards from Bath Spa Railway Station] from 3.00pm until 5.00pm Just drop in after shopping and exploring.

Next Sunday a Freshers' welcome, on the 28th Sept at noon on Campus.

We will hold a Liturgy training day on Sat 18th Oct in the Ec chap Centre on Campus from 11.00am until 4.00pm including lunch. Let Fr.Bill know of interest. On 12th October after 12 noon Holy Mass the start of SVPSoc with Mary Abel, the National Co-Ordinator coming to speak as she did last year and a lunch provided by local SVP members.

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

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"There's a lot of knowledge in universities: the Freshers bring a little in; the seniors don't take much away, so knowledge sort of accumulates."

Abbott Lawrence Lowell (1856-1943) American Lawyer and University President of Harvard.

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.**

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.

ST.ANSELM, Prosligion

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 3rd 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.

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

On Friday, we have the Rosary for Peace from 13.20 in the Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre on Campus. It only takes 15 mins of your time.

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)

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.

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.