

**CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY
to UNIVERSITY OF BATH
& BATH SPA UNIVERSITY**
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Times of Holy Mass & Services
SOLEMNITY OF THE
ASCENSION OF THE LORD
24th MAY 2009 (Year B)

Sunday Holy Mass at The Ecumenical Chaplaincy Centre Bath University Campus at 12.15 every Sunday in term. Whether at Holy Mass for the first time or returning after time away, please know we are very glad to have you with us!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

For updates and other info over the summer period see
www.bath-catholics.org.uk

Father Bill OSM has been remembering you all in prayer at this time of the dreaded 'E' word. May the Holy Spirit help you to use your gifts to the best of your ability and not to worry about the outcome. Be at peace.

Graduations will be happening soon enough and Father Bill will make every effort to attend your session at the Graduations, if he knows when. Thanks to those who have already let him know and 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 to fit in these sessions along with other duties!

WERE YOU LONELY LAST YEAR ON ARRIVAL AS A

FRESHER? Father Bill & Cathsoc would be glad of your help in welcoming new Catholic students and all students at the start of the next Academic Year in various ways and events. E-mail details of your return date and willingness to help. Please try to be with Freshers for the Sunday celebration of Holy Mass on Campus in the new term for the first two or three weeks at least and especially on 5th Oct for the welcome Freshers' Mass on Campus at 12 noon and on 11th Oct at 6.30pm at St. John the Evangelist's, Bath for the Catholic Chaplaincy Opening Holy Mass of the Academic Year and a reception afterwards. Remember how it helped you to find others gathered and welcoming. **PUT SOMETHING BACK IN!** Stick it in your diary & offer to help Fr. Bill with the event – please e-mail him to say if you would be around FOR that and that you would be willing to give him a hand.

IF YOU ARE STILL LOOKING FOR STUDENT ACCOMMODATION FOR SEPT 2009-2010, A CENTRAL BATH 2 BEDROOM + SHOWER ROOM FLAT WITH DINING / KITCHEN/ LIVING ROOM IS AVAILABLE FOR **ONE** MORE SUITABLE PARTY TO JOIN A FRENCH STUDENT: DETAILS FROM FATHER.BILL, OSM.

Catherine Nagle + Matthew Bewers are looking for 3 more housemates for a house share in the Camden area (approx 10 mins walk to the bus stop to University of Bath near Waitrose) with a shortcut to London Rd where Morrisons is (Rent is 75pw exclusive of bills) pics available via email to anyone interested Contact Catherine on 127855@bathspa.ac.uk and Matthew on mb326@bath.ac.uk No major panic about housemates but it would be nice to have a fuller house. Probably everyone from Cathsoc has somewhere to live by now but if any new students from either university who are going to be starting in September can't get a room in halls please apply for more information.

Prayers and good wishes to Miss Theresa Pullen and Dr. Mark Price of Cathsoc who will celebrate their wedding on Saturday 30th May at St. John the Evangelist's, Bath. They have both played a big part in our Catholic life here and in the University of Bath. Both were officers in Cathsoc and we are delighted that many Cathsoc members and graduates will be with us for this happy day. Ad multos annos / To many years!

When praying, don't give God instructions
– just report for duty.

DISPLAY OF PHOTOS OF CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY STILL IN THE ECC FOR VIEWING BY THOSE PRESENT.

CATHSOC NIGHTS AHEAD for remainder of term? This Thursday 28th May there will be a 6.30pm Cathsoc time, mainly for a bite to eat together and a little farewell conversation to give yourselves a brief break for some of that evening.

We are blessed with good successors to the current office holders in the Cathsoc Committee who handed over office on 1st May. We have a great new committee taking over next week and we acknowledged the great hard work of the outgoing committee at the International Mass on 3rd May but let us remind ourselves that 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! 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!

MAKE SURE TO JOIN THE CATHSOCS CATHSOC COMMITTEES OF UNIVERSITY OF BATH & BATH SPA UNIVERSITY – 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.

NEW CATHSOC COMMITTEE

We are delighted to have filled the IT Officer post with the help of Gregoire. Many thanks!

Bath Spa University Chaplains' Charity Soup Lunch on Thursdays with great help from Sue & Gail. We are raising money for Water Aid. NEXT on campus on 28th May at Newton Park!

Some members of our Catholic community of students and 'Cathsoc' members will move on this summer to placements, and others will graduate this year and go on to great things elsewhere. We are going to miss you! Next Autumn others will begin living off Campus or will move off Campus. Please don't lose contact but sign up the list for those who want to keep in touch with their new e-mails! N.B. your Bath e-mails will be discontinued after graduation! Please let Fr. Bill know your changed contact details AFTER THE SUMMER with any new postal address & phone details for the coming year or please fill in a new Catholic Chaplaincy Form available from Fr. Bill – it helps him very much in keeping in touch with students both in Cathsoc and those not.

Congratulations to Angela our Anglican Chaplain and her husband Andrew on their celebration of their 25th [Silver] Wedding Anniversary. Ad multos annos / To many years!

The Prayer Corner will undergo a facelift over the summer Vacation and we look forward to a new appearance and greater assistance to those seeking a peaceful location for reflection and prayer. Local Textile Artist, Paula Widdicombe has designed the new arrangement and we hope U of Bath Estates will have carried out her designs in their work by the Autumn term.

CARJ on Saturday 13 June from 2.45pm till evening, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Catholic Association for Racial Justice with workshops, music and dance, culminating in a multicultural Mass, at St Peter's parish, Swindon. Please join us.

EXAMS AND AFTER: Now exams are over at U of Bath FOR MOST don't forget those still suffering at U of Bath & at Bath Sap University and elsewhere. May The Holy Spirit help you not worry about the outcome.
Turn to Him and ask for His help.
Ask Our Lady, the Seat of Wisdom to pray for us
to her Son and trust in Him!

Clinics and other Abortion providers are now endeavouring to advertise their wares on TV and through the media. You may have read that the Advertising Standards Agency (ASA), which is responsible for ensuring that no public advertising offends good taste or is untruthful, is proposing to allow abortion agencies to advertise on the radio and television.

This will be deeply offensive to many decent people and to all who seek to uphold the sanctity of human life. It will inevitably lead to yet more abortion, yet more damage to women's minds and bodies, yet more promiscuity and yet more sexually transmitted infection.

It would be lamentable if the abortion industry were to win this victory and thus be able to corrupt our society yet further. We must do all we can to stop them.

We have 12 weeks starting from 1st of April to object to this "new initiative" of this vested interest. During that time we are able to write to The Advertising Standards Authority with our protests and objections. Everyone must do all

in our power to prevent these advertisements taking place. Please write letters to:
The Advertising Standards Authority, Mid-City Place, 71 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6QT

Alternatively, please [sign the online petition to the ASA asking them not to approve this advertising – you'll find it on LIFE's homepage at \[www.lifecharity.org.uk\]\(http://www.lifecharity.org.uk\)](#) Further information from [LIFE, LIFE House, 1 Mill Street, Leamington Spa Warwickshire, CV31 1ES, ☎ 01926 421587](#)

The Catenian Association Bursary Fund Ltd is a charitable Fund administered on behalf of the Catenian Association in order to fulfil one of the association's original and core aims, namely: "To advance the interests of young Catholics and to assist them in their choice or pursuit of their career." You need to be aged 16-24 / Catholic / Involved in or planning a Community-Based project at home or abroad. Contact the Secretary to the Trustees, The Catenian Bursary Fund, 2nd Floor, 1 Copthall House, Station Square, Coventry CV1 2FY or have a word with Father Bill, OSM.

SVPSoc (Society of St.Vincent de Paul) @ University of Bath was founded by Father Bill with the help of David Bath and Paul Lever in 2001 and continues to do good work. The return of Matthew Bowers as SVP President in succession to Bokani, who has done so much this year for SVPSoc is welcome news. If you would like to find out more contact Father Bill either before the end of term or over the summer or Matt and Father Bill on your return in Autumn when we will hopefully show the new SVP DVD! 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)

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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THE PUBLIC ROSARY FOR PEACE now takes a break until the next Academic Year, but private praying of the Rosary is easy - explanatory cards on the prayer table. THE ROSARY takes 15 MINS to say – It is a very simple silent witness to OUR FAITH AND CAN BE VERY APOSTOLIC. Its power as prayer for others and especially for Peace is well known & encouraged by Pope Benedict.

Don't forget the good values that guide your life and be a friend to others. Over 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 or acknowledgement of what you do! Stand for your own true Catholic values and don't be too easily swayed in the wrong way by others.

Used Stamps for the Missions Some of you have interesting stamps from various places and even British definitive. Please save used stamps in the box provided and ensure that you tear off a good corner of envelope around the stamp. Do not cut close to the stamp or it means they lose value. The money raised can help spread the Faith.

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 again at agreed times. He can, of course, be contacted at other times on ☎ 01225.832096 (best time between 8-9 am most days) and e-mail catholicchaplain@bath.ac.uk or catholicchaplain@bathspa.ac.uk.