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Morning Prayer: 9.15 am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri and Sat. The Rosary: Sat at 9.15 am

Reconciliation Sat: 11.00 - 11.30am & 5.15 – 5.45pm

Baptism Preparation 1st Sunday of each month at 3.30 pm in the Coffee Bar.

MASS COUNT: 760

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all the sick especially: John Doherty, Eddie Sherlock, Maria Cunningham, Liz Sawaf, Cheryl Loy, Andrea Brushneen, Josephine Giadrina, Mary Strike, Bernadine Hawker, Honorine Brown, William Patrick Carthy and Frank Dudley. Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently including Anne Berry & Michael Cooke.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND – For the Catholic Media Office. Helping to get a Catholic View into Newspapers, TV and Radio.

LIFE CARE CENTRE GLOUCESTER is holding a Barn Dance at St. Peter's High School, Stroud Road, Gloucester on Saturday, 22nd May at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are £3.50 or £10 for a family ticket, the price includes a ploughman's supper and there will be a licensed bar. Tickets are available from Anthony Rush – 01452 724401/07802 431191 or on the door.

BAPTISM THIS WEEK – of Eva Pamela Gibbons and Adrian Switaka. We welcome these children into our parish community.

ST PETER'S 150th SPRING FESTIVAL – please see the poster with the calendar of events. Tickets are available from the Repository after Mass on Saturday evenings or from the Parish Office from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm Tuesday to Friday.

FOOD BANK – Donations needed please of juice, noodles, milk, mash potato, tinned fruit, cold meat (ham), meat pies, fish (tuna), pasta sauce and biscuits.

PRAYER GROUP - Next meeting will be on Weds 19th May at 7.30 pm in the Church (Enter by back door). (No meetings until that date sorry)

EL SHADDAI – Praise and worship celebration to take place every Saturday from 3 to 5pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome.

PAPAL PREPARATIONS – With Pope Benedict XVI visiting this country later in the year, our award-winning website cliftondiocese.com is looking for your memories and photographs of the last Papal visit back in 1982. As we look forward to welcoming the Holy Father to the UK, tell your story by e-mailing webeditor@cliftondiocese.com and share your thoughts and experiences of the momentous occasion.

CHURCH CLEANERS required helping with the cleaning on a Friday morning please contact Breda on 617282 if you can help on a regular or occasional basis.

CALLING ALL GOOD COOKS - Recipes required for Liz Robinson to produce a “Cookbook” for our Parish. Please write out your favourite recipe and let Liz have it or post it into the Presbytery marked “Recipe”. Many of us would love to try some Indian/Polish and any other recipes from around the world. Thank you.

PARISH ANNUAL DINNER - Fri 21st May 7pm for 7.30pm – The Guest of Honour and speaker will be Sir Henry Elwes KVCO Lord-Lieutenant of the County. Tickets will be on sale at all Masses this weekend and again next weekend 8th/9th May – cost £21 each. We look forward to seeing you and thank you for your continued support.

Harvington Hall - Visit to the house with the most number of priest holes and also to Barnett Hill Garden Centre and Restaurant on Wednesday 2nd June. Cost £13 per person to include coach and guided tour. Coach will leave Estcourt Road at 10.15am and Courts at 10.30am. Coach will depart Harvington Hall at 4.00pm for the return journey, to book contact 01452 529170.

“WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?” - Jesus' question to his disciples is also addressed to us. This Day of Prayer on 5th June from 10 am to 4 pm will be held in the peaceful setting of Woodchester Convent, Stroud GL5 5HS. Why not take time out from the ‘busyness’ of day to day life to reflect on what YOUR answer would be?. Please see application forms or telephone Ronnie Mitchinson on 0117 9025595 for further details.

THANK YOU to Tradecraft for a generous donation of £200 for our Parish Project – Smile Train. This will enable a child to have a life changing cleft palate operation.

THANK YOU to the estate of the late Elaine Fray and her daughter Patricia Fray Smith for a generous donation to the parish.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN GLOUCESTER A.G.M. For the past 2 years Canon Bernard has been the chair of this committee. His term of office finishes at the AGM on Wed 26th May at 7.30 in St John's Northgate. The speaker is Bishop Michael of Gloucester. He will be talking about life in the House of Lords and the issues he faces in putting a Christian view into Government legislation and debate. Please do make an effort to make sure that we have a good Catholic presence at this meeting.

PARISH FINANCES so far this year our income has been £53,866.34 and our expenditure has been £65,297.18. On the face of it this can seem to be living above our means; however it does include £18448.36 for the new steps, handrails and entrance matting. We do expect to be able to balance the books better in the next few months.

CURRY NIGHT our Indian community is putting on a curry night in the parish centre on Friday 18th June to help raise parish funds. Put the date in your diary and tickets will be on sale in a couple of week's time.