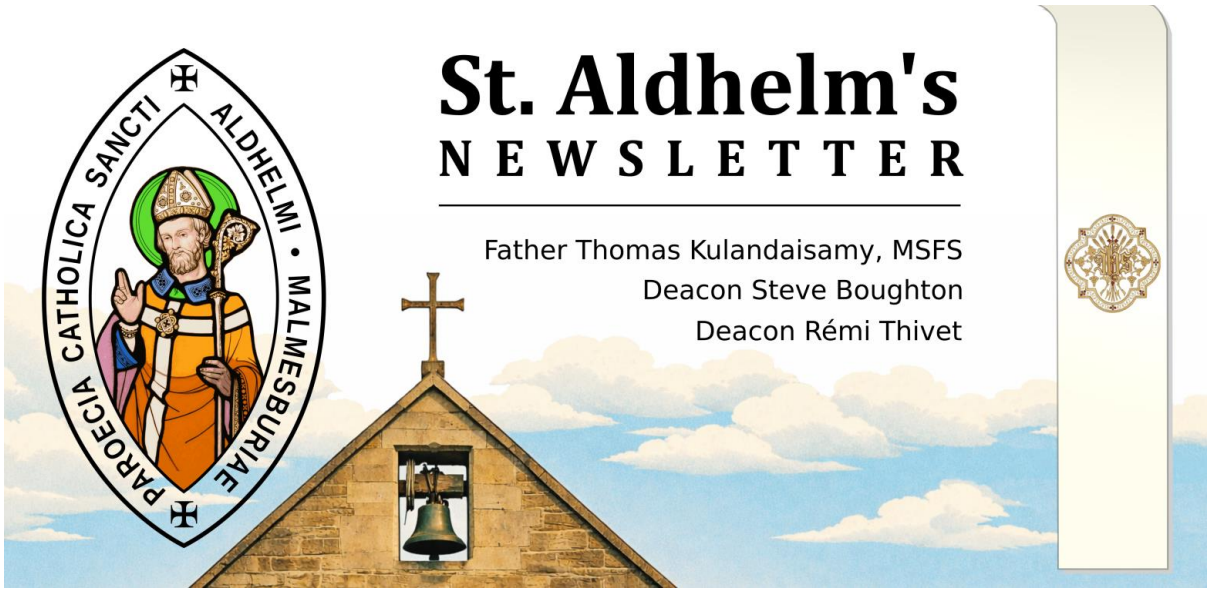


Solemnity of All Saints, 1 Nov 2026

Live Webcam Link for all our Masses
churchservices.tv/malm

To Make your Weekly Contribution Online
https://www.saintaldhelms.com/donate

New Parish Hall Project
saintaldhelms.com/new-

Wednesday Word
www.wednesdayword.org

St Joseph's School Website
st-josephs-malmesbury.k

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Aldhelm's,
We hope you are ok wherever you are. We are delighted to be in touch with you through this newsletter. We extend a warm welcome to all visitors and thank you for joining us in celebrating the Lord's love for us in the Holy Eucharist. There are no strangers here, just new friends you have not yet met!
All Saints' Day, celebrated on 1 November, is a special feast when the Church honours all the saints in heaven, both those officially recognised by the Church and the

countless others whose names are known only to God. Their lives remind us that holiness is not reserved for a chosen few; we are all called to become saints, wherever we are and whatever our circumstances. The saints inspire us to live with faith, love and generosity, making small but meaningful choices each day to follow Christ and serve others. As we celebrate this feast, may their example encourage us to open our hearts to God, allow Him to work through us, and remember that we too are called to share in the joy of eternal life.

Benediction

There will be Benediction this coming Friday (6 November) at 6.30pm, as usual on the first Friday of the month. All are very welcome.

Farewell Celebration for the Reverend Oliver Ross and Lizzi

All parishioners are warmly invited to join the farewell party for the Reverend Oliver Ross and Lizzi at the Abbey on Saturday 14 November, from 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm, as they celebrate Oliver's retirement and thank them both for their contribution to our local community.

This is a lovely opportunity to come together with members of our local churches to express our appreciation and wish them well for the future. If you are able to, please bring a plate of savoury or sweet finger food to share and/or a bottle of something to drink.

Oliver's final service will take place the following morning, Sunday 15 November at 11.00 am. We hope many of you will be able to join us to give Oliver and Lizzi a warm and grateful farewell!

Called Home to the Lord: Michael Badeni RIP

It is with deep sadness that we share the news that Michael Badeni passed away on the night of Monday, 19 October, after a brave battle with cancer.

Michael faced his illness past few months with remarkable courage, resilience and hope, remaining positive and placing his trust in the Lord even during the most difficult moments. A man of faith and a devoted supporter of our parish, he will be remembered with gratitude for his prayers, friendship and faithful presence in our community.

Our prayers are especially with his beloved wife, Sarah, his children, Alexander and Amelia, his sister, Mary, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and all his extended family. The loss of Michael is made even more poignant by the fact that his mother passed away on 13 October and his father on 25 October, in different years, making October a particularly difficult month for the family. May they feel surrounded by the love, prayers

and support of our parish community, and find strength and consolation in one another and in the loving presence of the Lord.

Help a Young Person Attend FLAME 2027

FLAME 2027 is the largest Catholic youth gathering in England and Wales, bringing together thousands of young people for a day of faith, worship, inspiration and encounter with Christ.

The Diocese of Clifton would love to enable as many young people as possible to attend, but we do not want cost to be a barrier. We are therefore inviting parishioners to sponsor a young person or make a donation towards our diocesan FLAME 2027 fund.

Donations can be made via MyDona at Donate to Clifton Diocese. Please quote "FLAME 2027" as your reference.

Every donation will help reduce the cost for young people attending and make this life-changing opportunity accessible to those who might otherwise be unable to go.
To learn more about FLAME 2027, visit FLAME 2027. Thank you for supporting the young people of our Diocese.

Baby Loss Support – Parish Survey

As we approach Baby Loss Awareness Week this October, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is gathering information about the support currently available in parishes and dioceses for families who experience baby loss.
The aim is to understand what spiritual, pastoral and chaplaincy support is currently available and to identify ways in which support for bereaved parents could be strengthened from a Catholic perspective.

The survey is intended for parishes, dioceses, hospital chaplains, and those involved in marriage and family ministry, as well as anyone who supports families experiencing baby loss and grief.

If you have experience of supporting families in this situation, or are aware of support available locally, you are warmly invited to contribute to the survey. One response can represent the work of several individuals or groups.

To take part or find out more, please contact Samantha Ash:
Email: samantha.ash@cbcew.org.uk
Your experience and suggestions will help the Bishops' Conference understand the needs of bereaved families and work towards better support for those who have experienced the loss of a baby.

Baby Loss Existing support FINAL survey CBCEW.docx

St Joseph's School Choir – Concert for a Wonderful Cause

The St Joseph's School Choir will be performing alongside Chippenham Male Voice Choir on Friday 6 November at 7.00 pm at Malmesbury United Reformed Church. Everyone in our wider school and parish community is warmly invited to come along, enjoy the music and support our talented children. The concert will raise funds for Jessie's Fund, a charity that helps children with life-limiting conditions and disabilities experience the joy of music. Please do come along and support the children and this wonderful cause! Details are in the poster!

CHIPPENHAM MALE VOICE CHOIR

In Concert

With
St Joseph's School choir

FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2026

7:00pm

Malmesbury United Reformed Church
St Mary Street, SN16 0BJ

TICKETS £15
To include refreshments

Collection in aid of Jessie's fund MUSIC HELPING CHILDREN

Tickets available via
https://www.ticketsource.com/kjmmusic
OR
Malmesbury Tourist Information Centre, The Town Hall
The Cross Hayes, Malmesbury and Choir Members

Choir Sponsored by hf lettings

EVANGELISATION AND DISCIPLESHIP

A FUTURE *full of*
HOPE
MARRIAGE & *family life*



"God has poured out his love into our hearts"
Romans 5:5



CELEBRATING
marriage & family life

"Every encounter with Christ, who in sacraments gives us salvation, invites us to 'go' and communicate to others the salvation that we have been able to see, to touch, to encounter and to receive and which is truly credible because it is love."
Pope Francis

Join our diocesan family for Mass in the Cathedral as we celebrate the gift that is Marriage & Family Life on ***Saturday 6 February*** *at 12noon.*

All are welcome.

If you are celebrating a significant anniversary, newly married, or looking forward to marriage in 2027, then please contact us:
hope@cliftondiocese.com
or 0117 902 5595.

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Addressing the challenge of Artificial Intelligence

Pope Leo's encyclical Magnifica Humanitas, dealing with the challenges facing humar ity

in an era of Artificial Intelligence, has stimulated debate around the world. So it was appropriate that the Diocese organised a study day on the document on Saturday 24 October at St Brendan's Sixth Form College in Bristol.

Participants from across the diocese braved the wind and rain of Storm Austen to hear expert speakers look at the content and implications of this document.
Bishop Bosco examined the impact that technology is already having on our lives, but also brought out distinctive features of being human. He stressed the infinite dignity of every human being, the ability to love and to care for others, our ability to make moral decisions and the fundamental fact that we are physical beings in a real world.

Dr Austen Ivereigh looked at the developments in Catholic thought that had led to the encyclical, as well as engagement between the Church and the AI industry. He also noted that both Pope Leo and Pope Francis referred to our time as a change of era, a point at which our world changes dramatically.

Dr Daniele Palmer, who grew up in the diocese, looked at the way in which Catholic Social Teaching underpins the encyclical. Both he and Dr Ivereigh stressed the need for us to work to create a world where technology serves the good of humanity and of the natural world, rather than one where technology dominates us.
All three presentations can be viewed below;
cliftondiocese.com/new

Prayer for the Holy Souls

As we enter November next sunday, the Church invites us to remember and pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Through the feasts of All Saints on 1 November and All Souls on 2 November, we are reminded of the enduring bond of faith and love that unites us with the saints in heaven and those who have gone before us and are undergoing purification.

As is our tradition, at Masses throughout November, the holy souls will be remembered and prayed for, especially for the souls of our departed loved ones, our parents, brothers and sisters, relatives, friends and all who have touched our lives, and also for those for whom there is no one to pray for. You are warmly invited to write the names of your departed family members and friends on the paper provided in the church porch and place it through the presbytery letterbox or place it in the basked kept in

Mass Schedule and Intentions

31 Oct Sat 6.30pm: For the repose of the souls of Peter Ackling and Roy Ackling RIP (offered by Ursula)

1 Nov Sun 8.30am: For the intentions of Mike Cook (offered by Sheila Stephens)
1 Nov Sun 10am: For the good health of Ailinn Doody (offered by Catherine Doody)
2 Nov Mon 10am: For all the faithful departed
3 Nov Tue: *No Mass*
4 Nov Wed: *No Mass*
5 Nov Thurs 10am: Morning Prayer
6 Nov Fri: 6pm: *No Mass*

Wisdom from Saints

O God, to turn away from you is to fall. To turn to you is to stand up. To remain in you is to have a sure support. ST. AUGUSTINE (354-430) Human weakness cannot upset the plans of divine omnipotence. A divine master-builder can work even with falling stones. MICHAEL CARDINAL VON FAULHABER (1869-1952, Archbishop of Munich and Freising)

PS: Newsletter items to be in by Thursday noon
(malmesbury.staldhelm@cliftondiocese.com)

Beautiful Memories (Photos) of Our Parish Hall Inauguration

A big thank you to Kevin for so wonderfully capturing the beautiful moments of our Parish Hall inauguration. These photographs bring back the joy, excitement and special memories of a truly memorable day.

Please click the link below to view the photographs
kevinmullinsphotograph

Here are a few photos attached






Fire exit








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