



St. Aldhelm's NEWSLETTER

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XVIII Sunday in OT, 9 August 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.](https://st-josephs-malmesbury)

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!

The first reading presents the prophet Elijah, who, after defeating the false prophets of Baal through his faith in God, flees to Mount Horeb seeking strength and encounters:

the Lord in His mercy. In the second reading, St Paul expresses his sorrow that many of his fellow Jews have rejected Jesus, the promised Messiah. He explains that, in God's providence, their rejection opened the way for the Gospel to be proclaimed to the Gentiles. In the Gospel, the disciples are caught in a storm on the Sea of Galilee when Jesus comes to them walking on the water. He calms their fears with the reassuring words, "It is I." Peter, filled with faith, steps out to walk towards Jesus, but when fear overcomes him, he begins to sink. Crying out to Jesus, he is immediately rescued, reminding us that even when our faith falters, the Lord is always ready to save those who trust in Him.

Mass Schedule during the week

10 Aug Mon: 10am Mass

11 Aug Tue: *No mass*

12 Aug Wed: *No Mass*

13 Aug Thurs: 10am Mass

14 Aug Fri: 10am Mass

Collections last week

Loose £128.06

Env NGA £ 26.80

Candles £ 171.01

Parish Hall Update

You will have noted that with the arrival of the windows substantial progress is being made with the Hall. The contractor will remove his cabin and the two portaloos on Sunday the 2nd. On Monday, the scaffolding on the front of the Hall will be taken down. This is in preparation for a wedding that is due to take place next weekend. Toilet facilities will be available in the town hall.

Petticoat Lane, 23rd of August, 10am - 3pm

We have booked a Table for Petticoat Lane on the 23rd August to raise money for Our New Hall. Please let us have any suitable items to sell. Drop off in the porch at the weekends or ring Catherine Doody on 07588695847 to make arrangements to drop off at 38 Gastons Rd Malmesbury

Pastoral Council Meeting will take place on 3rd of Sep. Any items to be discussed, please send them to Ann Roberts-Phare: arphare@aol.com

Inauguration of the New Parish Hall – Save the Dates!

With our new Parish Hall progressing well, we are delighted to announce two important

dates for your diary: Friday, 23 October, 6pm – Official Opening and Inaugural Mass, officiated by and in the presence of Bishop Bosco MacDonald and Fr Johnson Kallidukil, the Superior General of the MSFS.

Friday, 30 October, 6pm – An Evening of Thanksgiving and Appreciation, when we will acknowledge and thank our Hall Committee, donors, benefactors, volunteers, and everyone whose generosity and support have made this wonderful project possible.

We look forward to celebrating these special milestones together as a parish family

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL FOR THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST PAUL (MSP)

Fr. Franklin Achionye MSP, of the Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP), will make the mission appeals the weekend of 22nd and 23rd of August. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The MSP warmly invites you to support their mission appeal. There will be a second collection at all Masses. If you like to do a direct transfer, here are their account details.

Account Name: The Missionary Society of St Paul

Sort code: 202963

Account No: 73306224

Bank Name: Barclays Bank

Online donation: You can make donation using the following link:

donate.mydona.com/miss

Thank you for supporting the MSP work and sponsoring the training of their Seminarians. Some give to the Mission by going. Others go to the Mission by giving. Why not consider going to the Mission by giving. Support the work of the MSP.

For further inquiry, contact:

The Mission Director

The Missionary Society of St. Paul

The Regional House

6 Knowle Close

Brixton, London

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Email: mission.office@mspfath

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Vacancies

The Newman Catholic Educational TrustTrust

Finance Officer vacancy

Trust Finance Officer at The Cardinal Newman Catholic Educational Trust, Bristol, Bristol | MyNewTerm

Closing Date: Friday, 17th July 2026 at midday

Trust Senior Finance Manager vacancy for 2026/27

Senior Trust Finance Manager at The Cardinal Newman Catholic Educational Trust, Bristol, Bristol | MyNewTerm

Closing Date: Friday, 17th July 2026 at midday

Trust Governance Clerk

NCET Governance Clerk Advert June 2026

N6 NCET Trust Job Description Clerk N6 (BG8) FINAL 2026

St Bernadette Catholic Secondary School, Bristol

Foundation Governor

Foundation Governor Vacancy

Confirmation 2027

We are pleased to announce that our next Confirmation will take place on Wednesday, 20 May 2027. It will be three years since our last Confirmation, and we expect to have a good number of candidates. We are delighted that Bishop Bosco has kindly agreed to come to St Aldhelm's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Gillie and Annette will once again be leading the preparation programme and will be delighted to accompany the candidates and the family on their journey of faith. We are now inviting applications from young people born on or before 31 August 2013.

If you know of someone who may not have seen this notice, please do pass it on and encourage them to get in touch.

Please register by 30 September 2026, using the sign up feature below. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Annette at annettebed50@gmail.com.

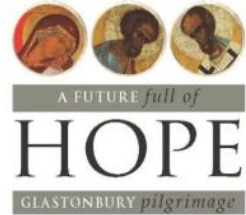
Confirmation May 2027

Sign Up

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GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE

SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026



2026 Programme

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GLASTONBURY

11.00am Rosary
11.30am Exposition
Adoration
Sacrament of
Reconciliation
2.30pm Benediction

ABBAY GROUNDS

11.00am - 12.30pm
YOUTH PROCESSION
from the Abbey to the Tor

11.30am – 2.30pm
PRAYER MINISTRY
at the Chapel of Healing

1.45pm
ROSARY PROCESSION
from the Abbey through
the town centre

3.15pm
MASS in the Abbey
celebrated by
Bishop Bosco MacDonald

for more information:
glastonburyshrine.co.uk

MARY, MOTHER OF THE FAITHFUL



FHC Preparation

We are delighted to share with you the details of our First Holy Communion Preparation

Programme for next year. Please see the attached poster for full information.

May we also kindly ask you to share this information with anyone who may not receive this message directly? Please help spread the word so that all parents, carers and children are made aware of the programme and have the opportunity to apply.

To apply, kindly complete the application/parental consent form using the link below:

[forms.cloud.microsoft/](#)



FIRST *Holy Communion*

PROGRAMME

Preparation sessions start:

7th October 2026

up until 27th June 2027.

The sessions will take place
after Sunday 10am Mass.

First session,
parents/carers only:

7.30pm

Wednesday 7th October 2026.

Our First Holy Communion
celebration

will take place on

27th June 2027 (Sunday)

at the 10am Mass.

Sessions include:

1. First Reconciliation preparation
2. Altar Serving formation/training

Applications are now warmly invited from parents and carers
of children in **Year 3** turning **8 years or older** from **September 2026**.

Kindly submit your form by **30th September 2026**.

Children and parent/carer combined sessions
twice monthly from Sunday.

For further information contact:

maryt.lillis17@outlook.com

Masses Requested

8 Aug Sat 6.30pm: Private Intention

9 Aug Sun 8.30am: For the repose of the souls of Joseph and Ray Asciak RIP (offered by Isabelle Asciak)

9 Aug Sun 10am: *Missa pro populo*

Wisdom from Saints

God whispers in our joys; he speaks in our conscience. But in our sorrows he shouts. They are the megaphone with which he awakens a deaf world. CLIVE STAPLES LEWIS (1898 - 1963, English writer, author of The Chronicles of Narnia)

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