

A warm welcome to all who gather today around the Altar of the Lord in our parishes of

St Bonaventure's, Sacred Heart & St Antony's

Working in Communion for Mission.

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 18th January 2026



Sunday Scripture Thoughts: "You've got two ears and one mouth for a reason" said the schoolteacher to the over-talkative child, who hadn't followed her instructions. Listening is not easy. However, unless we're really prepared to listen carefully to God's call in our lives, we'll end up floundering. That's why discernment groups are useful in the life of the Church. Getting together with other young people to listen to God's Word, and actively listening to what God is saying to our hearts, is a great way to move forward in our relationship with the Lord and to deepen our sense of calling. Be bold! Arrange one in your parish. Seek advice if necessary – it's closer than you might think!

Saturday 17 th January	St Antony's	6.00pm	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parishes
Sunday 18 th January	Sacred Heart	9.15am	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Private intention
	St Bonaventure's	11.00am		Clare Gainard (Ann)
Tue 20 th January	Sacred Heart	6.00pm	Feria	Special Intention
Wednesday 21 st January	St Antony's	9.15am	St Agnes	Holy Souls
Thursday 22 nd January	St Bonaventure's	9.15am	Feria	People of Iran
Friday 23 rd January	Sacred Heart	9.15am	Feria	Holy Souls
Saturday 24 th January	St Antony's	6.00pm	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	John & Frances Wright
Sunday 25 th January	Sacred Heart	9.15am	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Shiela Vincent (Ann)
	St Bonaventure's	11.00am		Sheelagh Gaines (RD)

KEY: RD=Recently Deceased ANN=Anniversary BD Birthday. D'ed=Deceased. Int=Intentions

Confessions: Saturdays 9.45am-10.15am Sacred Heart, 5.15pm-5.45pm St Antony's, 10.30am-11.00am St Bonaventures

In our Prayers this Week...

Sick: Margo O'Connell, Mnandi Ogbunude, Chioma Ogbunude, Master Muna Nkemakkonem, Philomena Green, Theresa Perry, Jim Garety, Dorothy Flint, Eddie Williams, Margaret Rogers, Rosemary Hatherly, Ninette Bateman, Giovanni Maniglia, John Lucas and Pamalita Francis. Please pray for those who are sick. (If you are sick and wish to be included in these prayers, please let Canon Tom know).

Recently Deceased: Elvira Zampella and Sheelagh Gaines, Tony Barrett. May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Vincent Hobbs, Leo & Kitty Bohin, William Fong.

With Sadness: Sheelagh Gaines passed away peacefully last Wednesday. Requiem Mass will be at St Bon's on 20th February at 11am. Please keep Sheelagh and her family in your prayers in the days and weeks ahead.

Baptism (SB): We welcome Sofia & Federico Lombardi baptised into the family of the Church this Saturday.

Message from the Welfare Team (SB): Are you housebound, sick or just lonely and would welcome an occasional call or visit? Our Welfare Team are happy to help! Please contact the Parish Office at St. Bon's 0117 9424448

With Thanks: A huge thank you to all who helped prepare the Pensioners Party at St Bon's on Saturday 10th Jan. A great time was had by all and Canon Tom loved the egg sandwiches!

Christmas Charities donations (SB): Thank you for your generosity at Christmas time. The total collected for Christmas Concert, Poinsettia appeal, Nativity and Cake sale was £1,278.00, which has been split between charities: HCPT, Homeless, Food Pantry & CAFOD- each charity will receive £319.50.

Lenten Reconciliation Services around the diocese: Bishop Bosco invites you to join him during this season of Lent to celebrate the abundant mercy of God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Join him at one of the five venues across our diocese as part of your Lenten Pilgrimage.

Tuesday 24 February - St Mary, Glastonbury; Thursday 5 March - Sacred Heart, Tisbury;

Tuesday 10 March - Immaculate Conception, Devizes; Tuesday 17 March - St Joseph, Tewkesbury;

Tuesday 24 March - Christ the King, Thornbury. Each Liturgy will start at 7pm.

Tea and Tots (SH): Wednesday 10-11:30 in the Bosco Room, Newman Hall building. All parents / carers and their under 5s are welcome, and we have lots of spaces for new families to join us. For more information, or to offer to help occasionally, please contact

Laura: toddlergroup.sacredheart@cliftondiocese.com

Parent & Baby/Toddler Group (SB): Monday 10am - 12pm. For more info or if you'd like to be added to the WhatsApp group, please contact Claire on 07871627928.

Rosary Prayer Group (SB): Rosary group meets every Wednesday in St Elizabeth dining room in Presbytery at 2pm. All welcome. Prayer requests welcome. Telephone Julia 07746101030

Art Group (SB): On 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month 10.00 – 12.00. All welcome, including beginners, to join small and very friendly group. Contact Chris Swann 01179427018 or Cath Lucas 078069437664.

Women's prayer group (SB): Once a month, on a Wednesday at 6.30pm, in the Presbytery. Our next meeting, led by Cath McCarthy, will be this Wednesday, 21 January.

Drop in Coffee Morning (SB): Everyone is welcome on second Wednesday of the month 10.30 - 12.00. Come along to the presbytery to meet up with old friends or make new ones while enjoying a cuppa. People living with dementia and their carers particularly welcome. Next meeting: 11th February. Any questions, contact Veronica Swann 01179427018.

Friday Soup Lunches (SB): Fridays in the Presbytery from 12 noon, all welcome! Donations are sent to charity. More information from Chris Swann on 01179427018.

Men of St Joseph (SB): Bible and Catechism study. Meetings every 1st Friday of the month, 7.30pm. Contact Deacon Bart or Juan Carlos (altar servers) after 11am Mass or come to the meeting.

St. Antony's Church Hall Tea & Coffee: All are very welcome on the 1st Saturday of the month to join us for tea, coffee and biscuits in the church hall after the 6pm mass (except April or August 2026).

Livesimply Thought for the Week: Peace Sunday is celebrated on Sunday 18th January in the UK. We are all encouraged to use the day to reflect on the Pope's message for the World Day of Peace on the 1st January with the theme: Peace be with you all: towards an 'unarmed and disarming' peace. The message addresses the escalation of war, rearmament and fear in international relations, affirming again that nonviolence is the key to peace. Pope Leo reminds us of the Church's opposition to deterrence based on military force and calls for disarmament, dialogue and the conversion of hearts as necessary conditions for a lasting and unarmed peace.

Parish Giving: There are many ways you can give a donation to Parish Funds. A monthly standing order (ask Canon Tom for a form) or use the Dona Donation Card Reader in the Church Porch at St Bon's, Sacred Heart and St Antony's or by a cash donation during the collections or by using the QR Code below.



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