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

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th October 2026

Sunday Scripture Thoughts: "Joy is prayer. Joy is strength. Joy is love. Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls." Those were the words of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta as she sought to go back to the simplicity of the Gospel and show forth the joy of being a child of God. Pope Francis said, "The Lord's disciples persevere in joy when they sense his presence, do his will and share with others their faith, hope and evangelical charity." To be effective missionary disciples then, living out our specific calling, requires us to let our joy show through. It means being rooted in prayer, going out to others in love, and sharing the message.

Saturday 24th October	St Antony's	6.00pm	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Thomas Godfrey (RIP)
Sunday 25th October	Sacred Heart	9.15am		People of the Parishes
	St Bonaventure's	11.00am		Sheila Gaines (RIP & BD)
Tuesday 27th October	Sacred Heart	6.00pm	Ordinary Time	Private Intention
Wednesday 28th October	St. Antony's	9.15am	Ss Simon and Jude	Holy Souls
Thursday 29th October	St Bonaventure's	11.15am	Funeral Service	John Coletto
Friday 30th October	Sacred Heart	11.15am	Funeral Mass	Alberto Fernandes
Saturday 31st October	St Antony's	6.00pm	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parishes
Sunday 1st November	Sacred Heart	9.15am		People of the Parishes
	St Bonaventure's	11.00am		Denis Hughes (Ann)

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

Confessions: Saturdays 9.45am-10am Sacred Heart, 5.15pm-5.30pm St Antony's, 10.30am-10.45am St Bonaventures

In our Prayers this Week...

Sick: Margo O'Connell, Mnandi Ogbunude, Chioma Ogbunude, Master Muna Nkemakkonem, Philomena Green, Theresa Perry, Jim Garety, Margaret Rogers, Giovanni Maniglia, Pamalita Francis, Kathleen Howard, Teresa Woodhouse (senior), Joan O'Shea, Geraldine Briody, Pat Fowley, Jim Seymore, Rod Jones and Mary Mason.
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: Alberto Fernades, Giovanni (John) Coletto and Philomena Lydon, Christina Doody, Frank Rahill. May they rest in peace.
Anniversaries: Elizabeth Farrell, Marie-Therese Mulroy, Kevin Gara, Clara Toscani, Fatima Pereira
With Sadness: It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Phyliss Lydon last week. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 4th November at 11.15am in St. Bonaventure's. May she rest in Peace.
With Sadness: It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Christina Doody last week. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 5th November at 11.30am in Sacred Heart. May she rest in Peace.

First Holy Communion 2027: Application forms for children in Y3 and above across all three parishes are now available to collect from Canon Tom after Mass. Please collect, complete and return the form to him

November Holy Souls Envelopes: Envelopes are now available for you to use. Please place the names you wish to be remembered at Mass and an offering if you wish in the envelope provided. Please give to Canon Tom. These envelopes will be placed on the Sanctuary during all Masses in the Month of November. May they rest in peace.

Memorial Mass (SH&SB): If you have suffered a bereavement (especially during the past twelve months), you are warmly invited to join us with our family and friends for the Memorial Mass on Tuesday, 17 November at 6.00pm at Sacred Heart, and on Thursday, 19 November at 6.00pm at St Bonaventure's.

UCM (SH): Foundation Meeting on Wednesday 28th October at 10am in the St Margaret Room. All welcome.

Climate Action Group (SB): The group is meeting at St Bon's Presbytery on Monday 2 November. Come at 7.00pm for a shared meal or at 7.30pm for the start of the meeting. All are welcome.

Notice Boards (SH & SB): The notice boards at the back of both churches sometimes show interesting notices and information not included in the newsletter. Our parish websites also have the most recent Parish Pastoral Council minutes, as well as a list of all the parish activities and contact details if you wish to enquire about those activities. Do have a look from time to time!

Dementia-friendly Day: Come along to our interactive dementia-friendly day on Sunday 15th November, 11am to 4pm, in the beautiful gardens of Penny Brohn UK, take your pick from a great range of activities, all designed to support the lives of those touched by dementia. All ages are welcome, there'll be refreshments available and whether you just pop in or join us for the whole day, there'll be plenty to keep the family busy! Penny Brohn UK, The Garden Room Wing, Chapel Hill Pill, BS20 0HH. Any questions? Ask Veronica Swan – 07884134599.

Christmas Fair at Clifton Cathedral: in support of the St Kizito's Baby Home in Uganda will take place on 21 November from 10am to 12 noon in the Apostle Room, Clifton Cathedral. Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

Christmas Repository & Christmas Cards (SB): will be on sale at St Bon's every Sunday in November.

Telling our Story Conference: to explore how our parishes can flourish in Communion for Mission and the challenges we face, on Saturday 14 November, 10am-3pm at St John the Baptist, Trowbridge. Our keynote speaker will be Fr Jerome Ajakaiye, who will offer his thoughts and encouragement as a Parish Priest. Telling our Story is an opportunity for us to listen to the stories of one another, hear what works and what have been the challenges that we have encountered and overcome. Fr Jerome will share with us his experience as a Parish Priest and the fruits of his ministry. In addition, individuals from around the Diocese will share their stories of seeds that have been sown and flourished. To register for the day, please click on the Eventbrite link: https://shootsofhope.eventbrite.co.uk

Starting School? If you have a child born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2027 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the Bristol Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2027.

Livesimply thought for the week: Did you know that one smartphone contains more than 70 raw materials and more than 50 metals. A standard 200g phone involves extracting resources from more than 200kg of raw materials including cobalt, lithium, gold, tin, copper, indium and rare earth elements. These are only found in a handful of places, which means that control over those materials matters both economically and politically, creating tensions that can fuel conflict. Mining those materials can also involve environmental damage, pollution, child labour, human rights violation and dangerous geopolitics. Smartphones should be built to be upgradable, repairable, reusable and recyclable. And we can help! Avoid changing our phone when it's still working. Smartphones should last for at least ten years. An estimated 80% of your phone's negative impact on the environment happens before the first minute of use – before it is even unboxed.

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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