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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B

(JULY 21, 2024)

Entrance Antiphon: **See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.**

Response to the Psalm: **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Gospel Acclamation: **The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.**

Communion Antiphon: **The Lord the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat) 9.00am, 10.30am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (Sat) 06.00pm	Mass –	Santana Dias (RIP) Eusy Cardozo (Anniversary) Antonio Pinheiro (Intentions) Terence Gregory ((RIP) Delilah Fernandes (Intentions) Anysia Barreto (Intentions)
09.00am	Mass –	Ferdinand & Gertrude Iwuoha & family (Thanksgiving)
10.30am	Mass –	Marcelino Rodrigues (RIP) Piedade Andrade (RIP)
Monday 09.30am	Mass -	St Marys School Year 6 (Thanksgiving)
Tuesday 09.00am	Mass –	Milagrin Borges (RIP) Clancio Barreto (Intentions) Liam De Sa (Intentions) James (Joe) Moran (RIP)
Wednesday 09.00am	Mass –	Jolson D'Souza (Intentions) Elijah Trindade (Intentions)
Thursday 09.00am	Mass –	Nancy Keane (RIP) Eileen Reddy (RIP)
Friday 09.00am	Mass –	Joao Rodrigues (Anniversary) Anaya Godinho (Intentions)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (JULY 28, 2024)

SUNDAY (Sat) 06.00pm	Mass –	Jose De Sa (Anniversary) Francisco De Sa (Anniversary) Joaquina Braganca (Anniversary) Steve & Gina Hobbs (Intentions)
09.00am	Mass –	Selistina Crasto (RIP)
10.30am	Mass –	Peter Moran (RIP)

Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated

ST ANNE'S FEAST: Mass in Konkani will be celebrated for the feast of St Anne here in St Mary's Church on Saturday 27 July, at 2pm.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2025: Many parishioners are asking about First Communion and Confirmation in 2025. Enrolment for the sacraments will be in November and December 2024 and the Catechesis will begin in January.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2024 - 23rd August to 30th August: The Clifton Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes is taking place this year in late August with pilgrims coming from all over the Diocese to embark on this journey. Details can be found on the Diocese website Lourdes | Clifton Diocese or by contacting lourdes@cliftondiocese.com /0117 902 5590 for an information pack. Please be aware the deadline for deposits is 31st March 2024, with payment in full by 31st May 2024. See Poster at the back of the Church.

RED BOX 2023: In 2023 Parish raised £1210.73 through our Red Boxes and donations to mission and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! The missionary community here at our parish is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests, like Fr Ignatius MHM working with a rural community in Uganda, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. Visit mission.org.uk to find out more.

PARISH DANCE: We are having a parish dance on Saturday 31 August 2024. If you would like to supply or sponsor some of the items mentioned on the list; which is put up on the notice board at the back of the Church, please call Natasha on 07720982226 between 4.30 and 8pm. Any help you can give will be much appreciated.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Parish Raffle tickets will be available after all Masses. Tickets cost £1 each or £5 a book. (Tickets are also available from the parish office). All proceeds go to the Parish Development Fund.

7th ANNUAL YOUTH CONVENTION held at St Peters Catholic Church, West Swindon - on 20th July from 10am – 4pm. The event is for all 13yrs + Tickets available from the Sacristy.

GOAN SWINDON ASSOCIATION: is organising it's Annual Goan Summer Festival on the 13th of July 2024 at Stratton Jr Football Club Ground (located in St Luke's Academy), Cricklade Road, Swindon SN2 5BA. The day begins with Mass at 12noon and ends at 9pm.

SWINDON FOOD COLLECTIVE: Many thanks to all those who contribute to Swindon food bank. Any donations can be left in the basket at the back of the Church.

GIFT AID DONATIONS: Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER: If you want to subscribe to 'The Universe Catholic Weekly Newspaper. Contact Michelle on mobile 0743 661 7650 or email: michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk

PARISH OFFERTORY: Last week the offertory collection came to £1397.30 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who are sick especially: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Bill O'Donnell, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Dawn Connolly-Williams, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Breda Brown, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them.

Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks –
when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David,
who will reign as true king and be wise,
practising honesty and integrity in the land.
In his days Judah will be saved
and Israel dwell in confidence.
And this is the name he will be called:
The-Lord-our-integrity.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

*The Lord is my shepherd:
there is nothing I shall want.*

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

Second reading

Ephesians 2:13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God: in his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, *peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand*. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.
The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
says the Lord,
I know them and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

The Gospel of the Lord.