

Items We Have Been Asked To Advertise.

Clifton Diocese Trustees

The Diocese is currently looking for individuals to join the Board of the Trustees to enhance the skills of the Board in specific areas as a result of current vacancies. Suitable applicants should have in depth knowledge and experience of either property or contracts as a lawyer, or finance as a qualified accountant. The commitment is to one 3-hour meeting approximately eight times per year on a Wednesday from 9.30 am in Bristol, along with membership of at least one sub-committee which would meet six times per year. Time to prepare for the various meetings is also required. It is usual for a Trustee to give somewhere in the region of 6 hours per month plus travelling time. If you would like to be considered for a position, please send your details to Alessia Dini, St Ambrose, North Rd, Leigh Woods, Bristol BS8 3PW or by email to Alessia.Dini@cliftondiocese.com by 29th September.

Recruiting new head teacher

St Brendan's Sixth Form College is currently recruiting for a Head of Catholic Education and Community. This is a fantastic opportunity for an experienced teacher who wants to make a significant contribution both to the delivery of the Religious Education curriculum and also to the wider college in building a sense of community for our students and staff.

Full details of the role can be found on our website:

<https://ejobs.stbrn.ac.uk/Vacancy.aspx?ref=2023-50>

If you are able to share this amongst your networks that would be greatly appreciated.

Adult Education

In partnership with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph, we are offering a day to explore the ministry of catechesis. As well as celebrating Mass and taking time to pray together, we will look at the vocation of the catechist, how we integrate catechesis into the wider Church, the formation of the catechist and how to plan a catechetical session. This rich day of formation is for seasoned catechists, and anyone who feels

called to this ministry but might not feel equipped. The date is **Saturday 28 October** at **St John the Baptist, Trowbridge**. We will begin with prayer at 10am, refreshments from 9.15am and the day will end at 4pm. We ask attendees to bring a packed lunch. Participants can sign up for the day via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/668215439367>

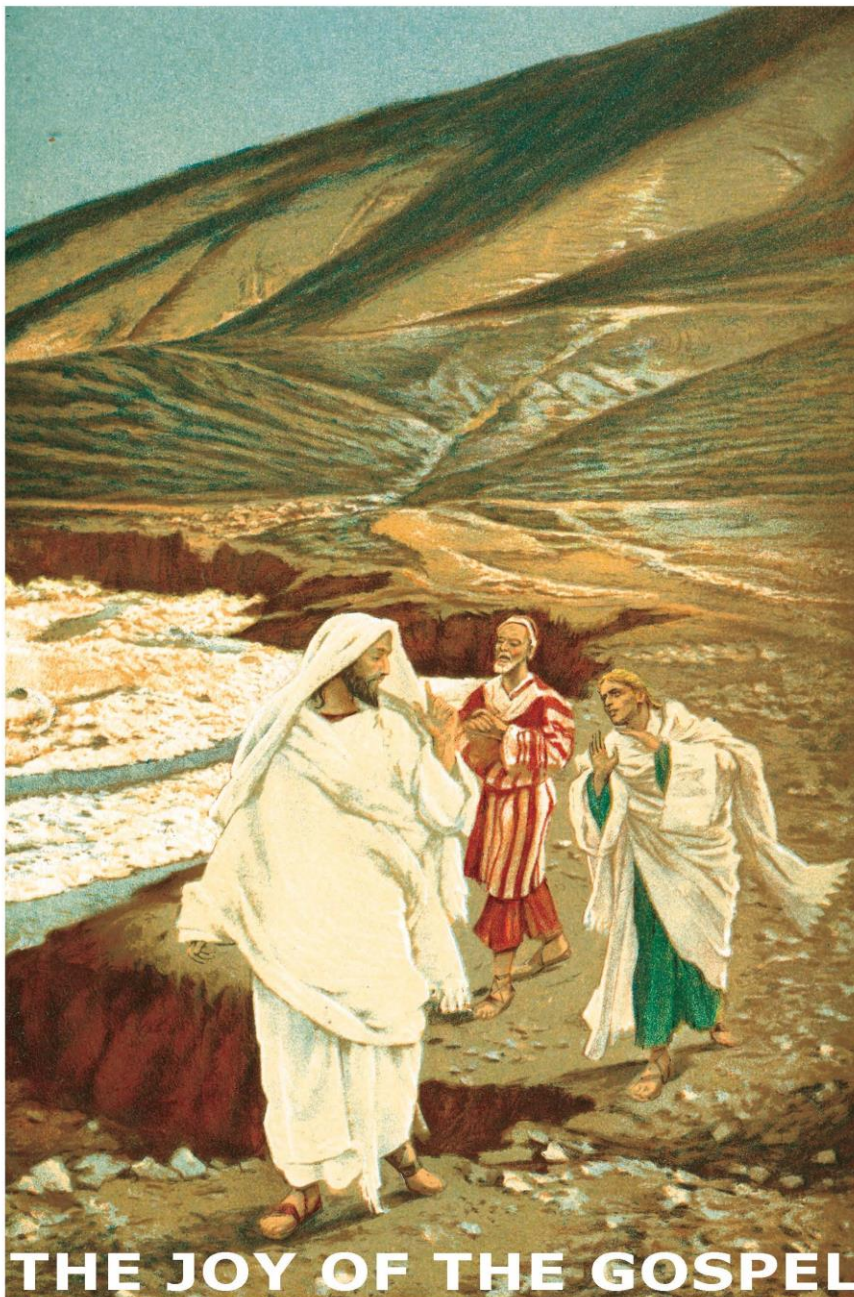
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THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL THE JOY OF CATECHESIS

Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on **Saturday 14 October** (12 noon) and is inviting all married couples to join him. As you know he sends a personal invitation to those couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries during 2023 or those who will marry during this year. May I ask you to publicise the Mass at the Cathedral in your newsletter/website and use the attached poster on your noticeboard. As you know if there are marriages in your parish this coming year, it would be good to plant that date into the engaged couples' minds. You might also begin to find out those who are celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th anniversaries during 2023. The names of these couples – engaged and anniversaries – need to be sent to this email (adult.education@cliftondiocese.com) with their address so that personal invitations can be sent to them from the bishop.

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MARRIAGE Mass

"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, General Audience, 6 November 2013

*Join Bishop Declan for Mass in the Cathedral as we celebrate the gift that is Marriage on **Saturday 14 October** at 12noon.*

All are welcome.

*If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, newly married, or looking forward to marriage in 2023, then please contact us:
adult.education@cliftondiocese.com
or 0117 902 5595.*



CELEBRATING marriage

Adult Education

Linking with the first Session of the Synod on Synodality in Rome (October 2023), Clifton Diocese will be exploring the same themes through a series of webinars (7.30-9pm) through September & October. For the series we are delighted to welcome:

Bishop John Arnold - **21 September**; Beginning our series, we are delighted to welcome Rt Rev Bishop John (Salford Diocese) who will set our series within the context of the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church – **Lumen Gentium**. [Click here to register](#)

Dr Gemma Simmonds CJ - **4 October**; **‘For a Synodal Church - an integral experience’** - Continuing our series, we are delighted to welcome Sr Gemma – a senior research fellow at the Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology in Cambridge, an international speaker and lecturer, Sr Gemma brings wisdom, insight and a wealth of experience within the Church. [Click here to register](#)

Dr Greg Ryan - **10 October**; **‘A Communion that Radiates’** - we are delighted to welcome Dr Greg - an Assistant Professor of Ecclesiology and Receptive Ecumenism (CCS) for the Centre of Catholic Theology at the University of Durham. He will be exploring with us the themes of service and mission within a Synodal Church. [Click here to register](#)

Jenny Sinclair- **19 October**; **‘Co-responsibility in Mission - How can we better share gifts and tasks in the service of the Gospel?’** - we welcome Jenny, the founder of Together for the Common Good (T4CG), a writer and a lecturer, she will help us to explore how we can walk together towards a shared awareness of the meaning and content of mission. [Click here to register](#)

Canon Christopher Thomas - **24 October** (to be confirmed); **‘Participation, governance and authority in a synodal Church’** - concluding our series we welcome Canon Christopher the secretary to the Bishops’ Conference of England & Wales. Working closely with the Bishops of England & Wales, Canon Christopher has chaired the national Synthesis Process and is well equipped to explore with us how our Church governs in a truly synodal way. [Click here to register](#)

Each webinar will be focusing on a different element of the work of the Synod. You are welcome to sign up for any of the sessions on offer.

To secure your place, please use the link above to register for your chosen speaker before the date of the talk – this will then give you the link for the webinar session to use on the day (the link may automatically go into your email calendar). To improve the experience, I would advise downloading the *Microsoft Teams* app to your device beforehand and closing down all other apps that are open. For the presentation, your camera & speaker will be off, but you'll be able to ask questions through the Q&A facility.