REGULAR SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Monday

9:10am - 10:30 Scramblers

10.30am - Noon Coffee in Church

2:00 - 4:00pm - Trefoil Guild

(1st Monday of each month)

6:15 - 7:30pm - Brownies

(St. Francis Centre)

8:15 -10:00pm - Ranger Guides

(St. Francis Centre)

Tuesday

9:30 - 11:00am - Scramblers

6:15 - 7:30pm - Brownies

(St. Francis Centre)

7:30pm - 9:00pm - Guides

(St. Francis Centre)

Wednesday

1:15pm Bingo (St. Francis Centre)

6:00pm Brownies

(St. Francis Centre)

7:30pm Ladies Group

(St. Francis Centre)

(1st Wednesday of each Month)

Thursday

10:00am Eucharist

11:00 - 12:30pm Scramblers

12:30pm Lunch Club (St. Francis Centre)

7.00 pm Choir Practice in Church

Friday

9:30 - 11:00am Scramblers

Sunday

8pm Meet Andrew in The Lounge,

North Street

THE DEPARTED

Graham Hopewell 16th September '15

ANNIVERSARIES

28/09/1985 Herbert Geoffrey Goodall

30/09/1988 Alfred John Farley

01/10/1981 John Silverthorne

01/10/1982 William Campbell

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Welcome to St. Francis in the Parish of Bedminster



MEMORY VERSE

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. [Proverbs 9.10]

Sunday 27th September 10.15 am The 17th Sunday after Trinity

President: Nick Williams Preacher: Nick Williams

Readings: Numbers 11. 4-6;10-16;24-29 Reader: Julie Clash

James 5.13-End

• Gospel: Mark: 9. 38-End Intercessions: Joanne Smith

Eucharistic: Dave & Annalisa Lane

Welcome: Chris & Joyce Thomas Coffee: Pete Vowles

Sunday 4th October 10.15 am The 18th Sunday after Trinity

Patronal Festival

President: Andrew Doarks Preacher: Andrew Doarks

Readings: Genesis 2.18-24 Reader: Pat Brown

• Hebrews 1.1-4;2.5-12

Gospel: Mark 10.2-16 Intercessions: Anita Manning

Eucharistic: Dianne Allen & Val Sully

Welcome: Barbara Hill & Pat Brown Coffee: Chris & Dianne Allen

September

PCC

Wed 30th 7.30 pm, St Paul's

October

STF - PATRONAL QUIZ NIGHT

Sat 3rd 7.30pm StFrancis Centre Bring and share supper.

WORD & SPIRIT

Sun 4th 6.30pm StA, Whitchurch

AMERIND GROVE COMMUNION

3pm Sat 5th Picador House

DCC

Wed 14^{th} 7.30 pm

STA - SHOEBOX PACKING

Saturdays 17^{th} and 24^{th} 10am

November

Sun 1 Word & Spirit StA 6.30pm Sat 7 Amerind Grove Remembrance 3pm Regal House

Wed 18 DCC

Sun 22 Christ the King

December

Fri 11 Christingle 3.30 StA Sat 12 Lantern Parade? Sun 13 Christingle 5pm StF Wed 16 DCC Fri 18 Luckwell Park Carols 5pm? Sat 19 ALDI Carols 10-12pm Amerind Grove 3.30pm ALL AGE Carols 4pm StF Sun 20 Sun 20 StA Carols 7.30pm Thu 24 Crib 4pm StA All Age Carols 5.30 pm StF Joint 11pm STF Fri 25 Joint Service 10.15am StF

Thanks from Andrew

Parish Service 10am StA

Sun 27

Thank you to everyone for all vour efforts to make the Confirmation Service a huge success on Thursday evening. We had 230 people in and ran out of chairs and hymn books! Behind the scenes of such events goes a tremendous amount of planning and hard work. However from that endeavour flows fellowship, understanding, satisfaction and laughter. My particular thanks goes to Phil, Joanne & Stephen, Chris & Dianne, Pam and Elaine, Anita and Helen Kilrov from St Aldhelms. With heartfelt gratitude, Andrew

Testimonies from Confirmation Candidates

Mike:

During the many years since my baptism as a child I have

considered confirmation and for many reasons didn't commit. However, now I am in place where I feel spiritually mature enough to strengthen my relationship with God and be confirmed. I believe that receiving the Holy Spirit will help me better serve God and my community. I also realise that it will be a challenging journey where I will need God's help

Solomon:

The Confirmation represents a renewal of my faith and dedication to God and Christ Jesus and to the seven Sacraments, and it represents part of my journey in faith in Christ. I will be self-fulfilled in the followership of Christ and the Church. This will also mean the completion of my pathway in the belief and service of God and Jesus Christ his only son and service to God and mankind. It will boost my spirit, dedication and belief in God and the general Christian faith. I believe that the sacrament imprints a spiritual mark upon my soul as I receive the confirmation. It represents my full initiation in the Church, and be able to have full participation in Church activities. So God help me.

Simeon Wynne

God has always been in my life as I have attended church from a young age. I feel that as I have aged, I have become more understanding of God and the Bible. After attending events like Soul Survivor, I felt as though God's presence was near and I feel as though I'm ready to fully commit myself to God.

Ali:

Since being baptised I have a new found confidence in my Christianity. Whilst I had always been a believer, I had felt a sense in which being part of God's family was somehow unobtainable. Others in my family had been baptised and I recall observing how calm and confident they appeared in their faith and their life.

I now feel happy to have taken the plunge and made proper my commitment. It is wonderful to feel accepted by God and to understand more about my faith. I look forward to continuing this journey through confirmation and now know my faith will continue to grow from strength to strength.