

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER, DEVIZES

WEEK 22 OF THE YEAR

29 August +**TRINITY 13**

8.00am Low Mass (BCP)
9.15am Morning Prayer
10.00am Sung Mass, Sunday School & Sermon

30 August Monday

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, Margaret Ward V, Mm,

31 August Tuesday

St. Aidan, B

1 September Wednesday

St. Giles, Rel

2 September Thursday

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7.00pm Vigil Mass of St. Gregory the Great & Homily
with Holy Unction

3 September Friday

St. Gregory the Great, Pp, Dr

4 September Saturday

St. Cuthbert, B

10.00am-12noon...Coffee Morning at 97, Avon Road
6.00pm Evening Prayer & Preparation for Communion

5 September +**TRINITY 14**

8.00am Low Mass (BCP)
9.15am Morning Prayer
10.00am Sung Mass, Sunday School & Sermon
5.00pm Devotions & Benediction

Readings Deut. 30:15-20; Philemon 9-10 & 12-17; Lk. 14:25-33

*Morning Prayer will be said daily at 8.00am & Evening Prayer at 6.00pm most days this week.
Confessions after Evening Prayer on Saturday, or by appointment.*

To make arrangements for Baptisms or Marriages, please contact the Parish Priest on (01380)
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Father Peter's Notices This Week

Collection for Flood Relief in Pakistan: The collection on Sunday 15th August raised £320 for the victims of the floods in Pakistan. Thank you for giving so generously.

Dates for your Diary

Coffee Morning in aid of church funds on Saturday 4th September from 10.00am to 12 noon at 97, Avon Road. Carol or Geoffrey will be pleased to accept donations of items for sale or raffle prizes on Friday 3rd September. Alternatively they will collect them from you if you ring to let them know.

Baptism Sunday: Sunday 19th September & Sunday 12th December will be Sundays at which Holy Baptism will be administered during the main Mass, which will begin an hour later than usual – at 11.00am. There will be Baptism Sundays at three-monthly intervals through 2011 on dates to be announced. All baptisms will now take place at these services.

Saints & Feasts this week include:

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward were martyrs of the Reformation period in England. In the vacuum left by the wholesale sweeping away of the only system of Christian devotion they understood, these three ordinary women – two of them married with children – followed the ‘old Faith’ and died for it under Elizabeth I.

At. Aidan: An Irishman who played a decisive part in the conversion of Northern England, Aidan was sent to Northumbria from Iona. He was consecrated bishop and made his headquarters at Lindisfarne. There he organised a monastery where English boys were trained to be missionaries to their own countrymen. In this he had the wholehearted support of King Oswald, who, since Aidan spoke little English, travelled with him and acted as his interpreter. The monks of Lindisfarne lived simply: any surpluses were used to relieve the poor and for the freeing of slaves. It was above all Aidan’s *practice* that made his teaching acceptable. After Oswald’s death in 642, Aidan worked just as closely with his successor, Oswin. Aidan died within a fortnight of Oswin’s murder in 651 and was buried at Lindisfarne.

St. Giles, born in Athens in the late 7th century, became a hermit near Arles in France. The Gothic king Flavius came upon Giles in his cave when the deer, whose milk sustained the hermit, fled there for refuge from the royal huntsman. The king built a monastery there and persuaded Giles to be its first abbot. There Giles cared for the sick (especially lepers) & the wounded – and also for pilgrims on their way to Compostella. He died in the year 710.

St. Gregory the Great was Pope from 590 to 604, at a time of great unrest. He was a dedicated pastor: a lover of mankind and of God, who was content to spend & be spent for his people. He was the first monk to be chosen to be Pope. Despite the heavy political & social responsibilities he shouldered, he remained at heart a monk, humble & prayerful. +Andrew has declared his feast a Solemnity in the See of Ebbsfleet.

St. Cuthbert: A Northumbrian Englishman who left off shepherding to become a monk at Melrose.

He began making long journeys each year between Berwick & Galloway, striving to keep the spirit of Christianity alive among the scattered people. In 664 he went to Lindisfarne and from there extended the work southwards to Northumberland & Durham. By nature a solitary, he withdrew in 676 to the desolate island of Farne, where he lived until 684, when he became Bishop of Lindisfarne.

‘He continued the same man as before’ (Bede), impelled by charity to devote himself wholeheartedly to his flock – preaching, giving alms and visiting every part of his diocese. He withdrew again to his retreat on Farne when he sensed the approach of death, and died there by night in 687.