

## WHAT'S ON

ALL THE CHAPLAINCY'S EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 17:30 Carols in the Chapel  
18:00 Mass  
19:00 Mulled wine reception in Chaplaincy Bar  
20:00 Christmas Meal at Pitcher and Piano

Tuesday No Mass

Thursday No Mass

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2009 17:00 Music and Choir rehearsal in the Chapel  
18:00 Mass  
19:00 Supper and drink in the bar

## EVENTS THIS TERM

*Details of all upcoming events are available on our website*

*[www.catholicchaplancy.org.uk](http://www.catholicchaplancy.org.uk)*

**Highlights include:**

***Tonight – CASSOC Christmas Ball***

***11<sup>th</sup> Jan 2009 – First Mass of Next Term***



# UNIVERSITY *of* BRISTOL CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA and ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**

DIES DOMINICA VII DECEMBRIS MMVIII

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT (YEAR B)

### WELCOME

Fr. Robert and CASSOC welcome you to your Chaplaincy. CASSOC is the aptly named Bristol University Catholic Society which organises social events throughout the year. Following Mass each Sunday we open the Chaplaincy bar and provide supper for only £1. You're very welcome to join us - just come downstairs after Mass.

The Chaplaincy is here for you - if there is something we can do please get in touch. Fr. Robert is available after Mass or can be contacted by telephone (office: 0117 914 0003 mobile: 07771 656 682) or email ([robert.king@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:robert.king@bristol.ac.uk)).

Our website ([www.catholicchaplancy.org.uk](http://www.catholicchaplancy.org.uk)) and YouTube channel (<http://uk.youtube.com/catholicchaplancy>) have information about all our upcoming events. If you're on facebook you can join the CASSOC group - just search for 'CASSOC'.

### CAROL SINGING

During the last week of term we traditionally go to St. Angela's nursing home to sing Christmas Carols for the residents. This year we will be meeting outside the Chaplaincy at 2pm on Wednesday. Everyone is welcome to come along regardless of your musical or singing talents!

### CHRISTMAS

Fr. Robert and CASSOC wish everyone a happy and enjoyable Christmas and hope to see you again in the New Year - our first Mass of term will be at the start of the first week of lectures - Sunday 11th January.

### ACCOMMODATION AT THE CHAPLAINCY

The Chaplaincy house has accommodation for up to 11 students. Rent is around £950 per term including internet and bills. We cook and eat together Mon-Thurs making it a sociable and friendly place to live. Early next term we will publish an application form for those who would like to live here next academic year.

## THE PENITENTIAL RITE

**I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask the blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING:

ISAIAH 40:1-5.9-11

“Console my people, console them” says your God. “Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.” A voice cries, “prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.” Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, “Here is your God.” Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

This is the word of the Lord.

**R Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 84

**R Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land.(R.)

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

### SECOND READING

2 PETER 3:8-14

There is one thing, my friends, that you must never forget: that with the Lord, “a day” can mean a thousand years, and a thousand years like a day. The Lord is not being slow to carry out his promises, as anybody else might be called slow; but he is being patient with you all, wanting nobody to be lost and everybody to be brought to change his ways. The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then with a roar the sky will vanish, the elements will catch fire and fall apart, the earth and all that it contains will be burnt up. Since everything is coming to an end like this, you should be living holy and saintly lives while you wait and long for the Day of God to come, when the sky will dissolve in flames and the elements melt in the heat. What we are waiting for is what he promised: the new heavens and new earth, the place where righteousness will be at home. So then, my friends, while you are waiting, do your best to live lives without spot or stain so that he will find you at peace.

This is the word of the Lord.

**R Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

MARK 1:1-8

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way. A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, “Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**R Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

## NICENE CREED - THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## HAIL MARY

**Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum. Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Iesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc, et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.**

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## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### OUR FATHER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.**