

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

100 YEARS

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 24th MARCH PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Date	Time	Intention	Donor
Saturday 23rd March	6:30pm	(1) Lena McLoughlin & Delia Keary (2) Chris & Jonathan Myles	Rose Gilby Marina & John Myles
Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday	8:30am 10:00am 3.00pm 5:30 pm	Joseph Pekala RIP (1) Thomas Matthew (Anniv) (2) Arthur Cambridge (3) Ebi Cole (Birthday Int) Legion of Mary (Acies Mass) Brazilian Mass	Christine Howie Bismy Thomas Curnow Family
Monday 25th March	9.00am	Robert Dragoi Intentions	
Tuesday 26th March	7:00pm 7:30pm	Peace, Justice and Healing in War-Torn Countries Stations of the Cross	
Wednesday 27th March	11.00am	Chrism Mass at Clifton Cathedral	
Thursday 28th March Mass of the Last Supper	7.30pm	Mick Ryan RIP Peter Bradley	Kath & Rob Easton
Friday 29th March Good Friday	10.00am 3.00pm 6.30pm	Stations of the Cross Passion of our Lord Brazilian Way of the Cross	
Saturday 30th March Easter Vigil	11.00am 6:30pm	Blessing of Polish Baskets (1) Maureen Ryan RIP (2) Cambridge & Curnow Families (3) Jim Brooks	Kath & Rob Easton Curnow Families
Sunday 31st March Easter Sunday	8:30pm 10:00am 5.30pm	People of the Parish Stephen O'Sullivan Brazilian Mass	Curnow Family

Stations of the Cross Tuesday 7:30pm
Rosary: Half an hour before weekday Mass
Confessions: Before all weekend Masses and **on request**
Exposition: Saturday 5.30pm followed by The Rosary at 5.45pm
Tuesday-Friday 9.30am to 4.30pm

The Sacrament of the Sick is available every first Saturday of the month after 6.30pm Mass.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES MARCH 24TH – MARCH 31ST

Sunday 24th March **Palm Sunday** – Palms will be distributed at all Masses today
There will be a procession at 10.00am Mass.
Wednesday 27th March **Chrism Mass** celebrated at Clifton Cathedral at 11.00am, when the
Holy Oils are distributed to priests of the diocese to be used in the
coming year.
No Mass at St Patrick's.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Thursday 28th March **Mass of the Last Supper** at 7.30pm with washing of the feet,
followed by exposition until 10.00pm.

Friday 29th March **Stations of the Cross** at 10.00am
Good Friday Worship at 3.00pm
The Reading of the Passion
The Veneration of the Cross
Holy Communion
Collection for the Holy Shrines in Jerusalem and Israel.

Saturday 30th March **Blessing of Easter Baskets** at 11.00am (Polish Ceremony)
Easter Vigil at 6.30pm
We celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday 31st March **Easter Sunday** - Mass at 8.30am and 10.00am

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, 24th March: Archbishop **St Oscar Romero** of San Salvador appealed to the Army of the country not to kill their fellow countrymen. His beliefs were falsely called “politically inspired” and he was murdered in March 1980. More than 250,00 people attended his funeral outside the Cathedral.

The Annunciation of the Lord and Mary's important role in God's plan is celebrated tomorrow, Monday 25th March.

Today is **Palm Sunday**, the first day of Holy Week. As we collect our palm crosses, we commemorate Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

Holy Week is the most sacred week in the liturgical year, leading up to the important festival of Easter.

POLISH BASKETS BLESSING

Święconka "the blessing of the Easter baskets", is one of the most enduring and beloved Eastern European traditions on Holy Saturday. People bring decorated baskets of the food they will eat on Easter Sunday morning to the church for it to be blessed.

Święconka in St Patrick's will take place at 11 a.m. on Holy Saturday, 30th March. All are welcome.



EASTER OFFERING

The collection at the Easter Sunday Masses is your personal gift to Canon Gregory and Father Antonio.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY IS CELEBRATED ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, 7TH APRIL 2024.

Please join us for a Holy Hour to venerate the Mercy of Our Lord from 3 pm to 4.15 pm. During this hour the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be made available. A complimentary Tea will be served after the service. Volunteers needed to help with tea.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every First Saturday of the month after the 6.30 pm Mass, the Sacrament of the Sick is offered to those who wish to receive it.

LENT OPPORTUNITIES

1. Lenten Alms (The Poor Box) donations will be for CAFOD.
2. Stations of the Cross each Tuesday at 7.30 pm after Mass
3. The Lenten soup lunches have been very successful. Thank you to the volunteers and those who attended the lunch.

LEGION OF MARY

Today, Sunday 24th March at 3.00 pm, The Legion of Mary are having their annual Acies Mass (rededication of members of the Legion of Mary to Our Mother). Do come along, all parishioners welcome.

TAKIN COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

If you or someone you know is unable to come to Mass and would like to receive communion at home, please contact the parish office who organise visits to parishioners in their homes by a Eucharistic Minister.

FOOD BANK FOR ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

There is a box in the Narthex for donations to the food bank for school families in need. Any donation is gratefully received but their 'wish list' at present is for washing powder, fabric conditioner, cleaning supplies, toilet rolls, chopped tomatoes, rice, treats – chocolate bars, crisps. **Easter Eggs and chocolate please.** Thank you for your generosity.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: If you are interested in joining the Children's Liturgy team please contact Caroline White, Helen Jones or Christine Latham. **Please encourage your children to go and learn about Jesus in a way that's suitable and fun for young children under First Communion age.**

Note: There will be no children's liturgy on Easter Sunday.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

Prayer transforms us. Prayer quiets anger, sustains love, multiplies joy, and instils the strength to forgive.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL NEWS

Year 3 & 4 perform The Stations of the Cross in the church on the 28th of March from 2:15 - 3:15pm everyone is invited.

The school breaks up for the Easter holidays on Maundy Thursday, 28th March. The Staff and pupils return on Monday 15th April. We hope they all enjoy the Easter holidays.

SIGNATURE SPORTS

Ben Harris will be running his activity and sports scheme during the Easter holidays from Tuesday April 2nd – Friday April 5th and Monday April 8th – Thursday April 11th from 9.00am – 3.00pm. For more information contact Ben on 07889 943178.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024 - Friday 23rd ~ 30th August 2024. There is still time to book, to join us on the Pilgrimage. For information of the hotels, we use and the Bristol to Toulouse Flight please contact Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com. For assisted pilgrims, you can book via the Catholic Association, [Catholic Association — Assisted Pilgrims](#) www.catholicassociation.co.uk/assisted-pilgrims. Flights for assisted pilgrims are available from Birmingham and London Stansted.

The Catholic Association are also looking for volunteer helpers, doctors / nurses, young helpers (17-25), musicians, fund raisers, Subsidies available. for more information please complete the online form at [CA Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024 - Expression of Interest \(jotform.com\)](#) www.catholicassociation.co.uk/stage

RESIGNATION OF THE BISHOP OF CLIFTON AND **APPOINTMENT OF A NEW BISHOP**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ

Last Thursday Pope Francis appointed Canon Bosco MacDonald, who is currently Dean of Clifton Cathedral, as my successor, the tenth Bishop of Clifton. I welcome the appointment and offer him my prayers.

Some months ago, I requested the Holy Father, Pope Francis to allow me to retire slightly earlier than usual. The reason for this is due to my health. Most of you know that I suffer from Parkinsons, and this is now progressing, restricting my mobility. As a result, I feel unable to serve you in the way I would have liked, and you deserve.

During this period of change I have been appointed Apostolic Administrator and will continue to oversee the life of the diocese until Bishop-Elect Bosco MacDonald is Ordained.

Please keep Bishop-Elect Bosco MacDonald and myself in your prayers as we prepare for a new way of life.

With my prayers for you all.

Rt. Rev. Declan Lang.

The ordination of the Bishop Elect will be on Wednesday 8th May 2024, 12 Noon at the Cathedral Church of Ss Peter & Paul, Clifton

BRAZZILIAN/PORTUGUESE COMMUNITY

(1) The Brazilian community is delighted to welcome the new Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers Márcio Bonomette, Dielle Bispo Nunes Bonomette, Deivis Jean Schlatter, Fabiana Cristina Beltrame, Tony Lennon de Souza and Graziella Bizzi Brito, who were instituted during the last Sunday Mass on 17/03/24. The occasion was even more special given it happened over the weekend when we celebrated St Patrick's Day. May God bless the ministers in their new mission."

(2) On the 25th of March there will be an adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church from 7:30 – 10:00 pm.

TOM BRADLEY AND CHARLOTTE ATKINS

We congratulate Tom Bradley and Charlotte Atkins on their forthcoming wedding which is happening on the 4th of April and pray God bless their union. Canon Gregory is celebrating their nuptial Mass in St Peters, Gloucester. We hope all the Bradley Families enjoy this special day.

BAPTISMS

(1) Baptisms take place on the first and third Sunday of each month at 11.30 am (after the 10.00 am Mass).

Parents must attend two Talks A and B before their child(ren) can be baptised. The talks take place in the Church on the second Sunday of each month at 11.00 am. **The next talk is today, Sunday, April 14th.**

(2) Proof of Catholic Baptism of one parent is required before your child can be Baptised. Further information, if required, is available from the parish office which is open Tuesday to Friday from 9.00 am – 4.30 pm.

TEA AND COFFEE

Tea and coffee will be served this week after the 10.00 am Mass by the **Woman's Group**. **There is no tea and coffee on Easter Sunday**. The following week the **Come & See Group** will be hosting.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK

Mick Lewis, Alfred Chojnackie, Maciej Kauczynski, Grace Karimu, Debbie Redfern, Katie Cunningham, Fiona Bradley, Stephen Bradley, Sisters Bernie and Biddie Arscott, Grace Strong, Laura Birkett, Gwyn White, Bernard Stadden, Ian Cleverly, Graham Tiley, Angela O'Leary, Jim Robbins, Adam Wright, Margaret Figurski, Kieran Cavanagh, Libby Nykolyszyn, Philip Green, Pam Green, David Griffiths, Diana Auret, Peter Wahinya, Mary Dias, Irene Agidee, Don Keys Massey, Liz Coventry, Janet Smart, Tony Gilmurray, Andrew Dobbins, Gabby Sislby, Rosina Johnson, Stephen O' Sullivan, Michael Stars, Graham Parker.

Please inform the parish office when your relative is well again and can be taken off the list.

MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 31st MARCH.

EASTER SUNDAY

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

6.30pm Easter Vigil - Clergy
8.30am Bridget Hemmings, Volunteer
10.00am Teresa O'Brien, Chris Boateng

READERS

6.30pm
EASTER VIGIL 1st - Joanna Deasey, 2nd - Rebecca Musarurwa
3rd – Trish Godfrey, 4th – John Bradley
Bidding prayers – John Bradley
8.30am Rebecca & Daniel Beasley Suffolk
10.00am Trish Godfrey, Yetunde Ajakaiye

BIDDING PRAYER Joanna Deasey

WELCOMERS:

6.30pm
EASTER VIGIL Laura & John Bradley
8.30am Eleanor Beasley- Suffolk
10.00am Teresa O'Brien, Volunteer

Church Cleaners: Team Four – Friday – Patricia, Clare, Natasha, Erin, Cashimiro, Louis

Offertory Counters: Team One: Laura & John Bradley

Children's Liturgy March 24

Tea & Coffee:

NO TEA AND COFFEE ON EASTER SUNDAY



*Palm
Sunday*