

# ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

## 100 YEARS

CLERGY HOUSE, DILLON COURT, NETHAM ROAD, REDFIELD, BRISTOL, BS5 9PF

### PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

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### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2023

	TIME	INTENTION	DONOR
Saturday 22nd April	6.30pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday 23rd April St Georges Day Third Sunday of Easter	8.30am 10.00am 6.00pm	K L Mathew Jim Shields Maria Hightet – Private Intention Brazilian Mass	Louis Laiju Jim McCormick Diana Bleaken
Monday 24th April	9.00am	Sick & Housebound	
Tuesday 25th April	6.45pm 7.30pm	Rosary People of War-Torn Countries (Broadcast on Radia Maria)	
Wed 26th April	9.15am	School Mass Years 3/4 - Deceased members of The Grant Family	
Thursday 27th April	9.00am	Margaret Beale RIP	Charron Plumstead
Friday 28th April	12 noon	Jim Shields	Rosemary & Martin Comerford
Saturday 29th April	6.30pm	Father Daniel O'Sullivan RIP	
Sunday 30th April Good Shepherd Sunday	8.30am 10.00am 6.00pm	K L Mathew Jim Shields Brazilian Mass	George Kalathara Jim McCormick

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

### CURRENT NEWS/WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St George's Day is celebrated tomorrow, Monday. **St George**, the patron saint of England, was martyred in Palestine in 303. Legend says he promised people he would rid them of a dragon monster if they believed in Jesus Christ after which 15,000 people were baptised.

**St Mark the Evangelist** is remembered on Tuesday. He wrote the second Gospel which emphasises the miraculous powers of the Saviour.

On Thursday, we remember the only saint from the Canary Islands, **San Pedro de Betancour**, who was a shepherd boy in Tenerife. In 1650, he travelled to Guatemala where, after years of hard work, he opened a hospital, a homeless shelter and a school for the poor. His shrine in Tenerife, near El Medano, is the simple cave he lived in while he tended sheep. Pope John Paul II made a pilgrimage there to say Mass.

## **LIVE ON RADIO MARIA**

**Radio Maria England will be visiting St Patrick's this Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.** They would like to broadcast the Rosary dedicated to People of War Torn-Countries and our 7.30pm Mass for listeners that are homebound, are travelling or do not have access to a faith community. Please join us in person to bring your voice to the prayers or listen in on [www.radiomariaengland.uk](http://www.radiomariaengland.uk), at Radio Maria England on your digital radio or ask Alexa to *play Radio Maria England*.

They rely exclusively upon donations to keep broadcasting the Good News, please help us carry on.  
**Donate – Radio Maria England**

## **EASTER CEREMONIES**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the liturgies of Holy Week. The attendances on Holy Thursday and Good Friday were excellent. On Easter Sunday over 1,100 people attended the Easter Masses which is the highest attendance ever. The music was beautiful at all the ceremonies and everyone who prepared and presented the liturgies created very dignified and prayerful worship.

Thank you one and all.

## **LENTEN CHARITY**

In total a sum of £1,129 was sent to CAFOD. This was comprised of:

1. Poor Box - £470
2. Soup Lunches - £659

The collection for the Holy Places in Israel was £457.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity.

Canon Gregory would also like to thank everyone for their generosity with their donations at the Easter Collection.

## **BOOKING FORMS**

Booking forms for the Walsingham Pilgrimage weekend, the Lourdes Pilgrimage and the Daniel O'Donnell concert are available on the table in the narthex. Please book early to secure your place(s) at these Centenary Celebrations.

**PLEASE NOTE: If you wish to attend either or both of the trips to Walsingham or Lourdes, the forms must be in by this Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April at the latest. For forms after this date rooms cannot be guaranteed**

## **THE DIVINE MERCY SERVICE**

It was lovely to see over 100 people attending this devotional service last Sunday afternoon. Almost everyone in the congregation came downstairs for the complimentary afternoon tea. Thank you to Deacon Denis for organising and leading the service and to all the ladies who prepared the spectacular tea. There are free DVD videos in the narthex which tell the story of The Divine Mercy. Please take one and after you have watched it, please pass it on to a friend or relative. Spread the message.

## **COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS**

Receiving both the Body and Blood of Christ, ie, 'communion under both kinds' has been an option in our own parishes for many years but, sadly, the COVID-19 pandemic gave rise to very legitimate concerns about distribution under both species and therefore dioceses and parishes worldwide stopped offering communion under both kinds. Now, thankfully, after an absence of over two years, the Bishops of England and Wales have decided that we will be able, once again, to start offering the opportunity to receive the precious Blood from the Chalice during Mass. Put simply, Jesus said "take and eat' take and drink...". It will, of course, be each individual's choice whether they receive from the chalice or not and, as we know, the Church teaches that the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ is present in both the Sacred Host and Precious Blood, so there is no *obligation* to receive Holy Communion from the chalice.

**St Patrick's Church will reintroduce Communion under both kinds from Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April.**

## **REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for Father Danny O'Sullivan who died last week. Father Danny was a diocesan priest who spent most of his ministry as a missionary in Peru. Father Danny built a new church in his parish and The Grant Bradley Trust sent donations totalling over £70,000 which was about a third of the cost. In appreciation Father Danny put up a lovely plaque in memory of Peter Bradley. Father Danny was a wonderful, hardworking missionary. Please remember him in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

Please also pray for Margaret Beale, the mother of Charron Plumbsted, who sadly passed away very suddenly recently. Please keep and the family in your thoughts and prayers

## **FIRST FRIDAYS – MONTHLY LUNCHEON**

The first of our First Friday's lunches will take place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at a £5 per person. If you are able to help with this, please sign the list in the Nathex. Please do contact the parish office if you would like to share a family recipe or organise a team to prepare a lunch. All monies raised from these lunches will be donated to the St Patrick's School Hardship Fund.

## **ST PATRICK'S SUPPER CLUB**

Twenty-three parishioners enjoyed a very happy evening together on the opening night of the parish Monthly Supper Club. In future these monthly events will take place in The Shore Gallery. The Coronation Supper on 6<sup>th</sup> May will be the supper club gathering for the month of May. The June supper club will be on at 7.00pm on 1<sup>st</sup> June.

## **CORONATION CELEBRATIONS**

On **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May** we celebrate the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. There will be a special dinner served in The Shore Gallery on the evening of The Coronation, champagne on arrival at 7.30pm, three course dinner at 8.00pm, £20 per person to include wine, beer and soft drinks. Please reserve your place(s) by contacting Ramesh on:

THE SHORE GALLERY - SATURDAY 6 MAY  
7:30PM - 10:30PM

# MENU

ST PATRICK'S DINNER CLUB

## STARTER

Coronation Chicken Salad

Potato & Onion Bhajji with Mint Chutney

## MAIN

Chicken & Parma Ham with Tagliatelle Dolceletta

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The Kings Favourite Chicken Tikka Masala Served with Naan Bread &  
Rice

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Stuffed Pepper with Roasted Vegetable Risotto

## DESSERT

Chocolate Brownies with Vanilla Ice Cream

Strawberry & Ginger Trifle

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Complimentary Glass of Wine, Beers and Soft Drinks Included

£20

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## **CHURCH CLEANING**

Our church always looks lovely and clean. This is thanks to our very dedicated cleaning teams. Currently, we have two teams who clean on Fridays and Saturdays. The teams clean as follows:

- A. Friday from 9am to 12 noon, two consecutive Fridays in every three weeks
- B. Saturday from 9am to 12noon, once every three weeks

Due to age, ill health, and death our teams have become depleted and need your help. Can you give one or two hours a fortnight to clean our Church. This request is to men and women aged 18-80. There is a list in the church porch to sign. Please add your name and just turn up to help. If enough people volunteer, then a new team can be created and then the Teams would only need to work every three weeks – only 17 times a year. We need 6-8 new volunteers to make this happen. Please help. We could also create a new opportunity to clean on a Wednesday evening every three weeks 6.30-8.30pm. **Please** let us know if this time is of interest to you. Please sign the list. Thank you.

## **Parish Register**

Please complete a parish census form available in the narthex. We are in the process of computerising our church members details and many offers, and information will be targeted to individuals/families who fall into different groups. Examples: Children/Teenagers/Young Adults/ Young Married Couples/ Singles/ Widows/ Widowers/ Senior Citizens/ Families/ School Children. We are not starting a dating agency! Help us to keep our records up to date and to plan activities and events with **you** in mind.

## **The PG Group**

This Thursday, 25 April, The PG Group is 25 years old. The Group founded by Peter Bradley and Canon Gregory are celebrating with a corporate Golf Day at Celtic Manor. Over 40 golf teams are playing from a wide variety of businesses in Bristol. (Canon Gregory is driving a buggy instead of playing).

The PG Group was last year voted “Regional Homebuilder of the Year”. The company now employs 50 staff and over 200 sub-contractors. The PG Group gives a substantial proportion of its profits to The Grant Bradley Trust which, in turn, gives St Patrick’s Parish and School monthly donations in excess of £6,000. There is a fundraising dinner for 200 guests after the Golf Day at Celtic Manor and with the profits going to The Grant Bradley Trust.

We hope everyone at PG enjoy the Silver Anniversary Celebration. Please pray for the continued success of the company.

## **MISSIO RED BOXES**

In 2022, a difficult year for many, St Patrick’s donated £382 with Clifton Diocese donating £90,000. These contributions are much appreciated by Missio and enable it to further the work of the Catholic Church throughout the world. If anybody has a Red Box which they would like emptied, please either hand it to me at 6.30pm Mass on a Saturday or leave it at the parish office where I shall collect it. Many thanks, Colin Gale.

## **POLISH CARDS**

We now have a range of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Invitation Cards in the cabinet in the Narthex. Please note that these cards are priced individually.

## **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

### **POPE FRANCIS TWEET FOR THE WEEK**

**Our hope is called Jesus. He is alive and evil has no more power over him. Failure cannot prevent us from beginning again, and death becomes the passage to the beginning of a new life.**

### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK:**

Gracy Mathew, Fergal Treanor, Patrick Smith, Mick Lewis, Alfred Ch0jnackie, John Caherty, Maciej Kauczynski, James Brown, Helena Irena Boucher, Johnny Enright, Anne Dillon, Maggie Cronin, Grace Karimu, Debbie Redfern, Irene Agidee & Angela Wahinya & family, Marian Speirs, Katie Cunningham, Fiona Bradley, Stephen Bradley, Sister Bidy, Jim Brooks, Grace Strong, Laura Birkett, Gwen White, Bernard Stadden, Ian Cleverly, Cecile McFarling, Graham Tiley, Angela O'Leary, Maggie Smith, Jim Robbins, Mario Toffolo, Sean Olver, Canon Frank Bermingham, Margaret Ball and Sheila Wakeham.

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

## **COMMUNITY AND FELLOWSHIP**

### **Tea and Coffee After Mass**

Tea and Coffee will be served after the 8.30am and 10.00am Mass today by the Rainbow Group. Next week the Polish Community will be on duty.

### **St Patrick's Food Bank Support**

St Patrick's School has set up a mini food bank to support families in our school with the rising cost of living. They are happy to receive any donations towards this food bank. Please send/take your items of food to the school office or bring them to Church on Sunday and place them in the donation box in the **Narthex**. Any surplus donations go to the Julian Trust. We especially need washing powder, fabric softener, toilet rolls, household cleaning products, pasta, tin tomatoes and rice pudding. Thank you for your continued support. The First Friday lunch donations will be gifted to the School for the Hardship Fund to help those in need.

### **Buddhist Community**

Today from 1.00pm-6.00pm The Buddhist Community in Bristol will meet in the Brooks Hall. We hope they enjoy their time together.

## **PARISH ADMINISTRATOR POSITION**

**Holy Family Parish, Patchway are looking to recruit a person for the  
Role of Parish Administrator**

**16 hours a week (timings and days are negotiable)**

**Pay range "£11 - £12.50 per hour depending on experience**

Anyone looking to apply for this position should know it involves working closely with the Parish Priest, Parish Deacon, the Diocesan administration, our schools, suppliers and parishioners. So, they will need to be motivated, patient, and have a good demeanour for dealing with all sorts of enquiries and situations. They must be discrete and hold confidences! The role will entail providing secretarial and administrative support to ensure the smooth running of the parish. They must be able to work alone and take initiative. Essential – Administrative experience – Mandatory completion GDPR training when in post. Contact Fr Eugene Campbell for an application pack [eugene.campbell@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:eugene.campbell@cliftondiocese.com) or questions about the position. Closing date for applications: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023.



## **EDUCATION AND FORMATION**

### **BAPTISMS**

(1) Baptisms take place on the first and third Sunday of each month at 11.30am (after the 10.00am Mass). The next talk is Sunday 14 May

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 11.00am.

### **NEW MARRIED COUPLES GROUP**

Over 25 years ago we started a Married Couples Group and even today some of the original couples meet each month to have a meal and discuss religious topics.

Canon Gregory would like to start a new group for married couples under the age of 40.

The purpose of the group is to promote Christian friendship and spiritual support. The group would meet once a month on an evening convenient to the members. We have many recently married couples in the parish in their 20s and 30s and it would be great to see them coming together and getting to know each other better. Please fill out the booking form available in the Church Narthex and give your completed form to the parish office or Canon Gregory. The first meeting will be held in May.

### **LIGHT OF TRUTH**

Clifton Diocese in partnership with "Light of Truth" are offering a five-week course on how we talk about our Catholic Faith with other adults, young people and children – do join if you are able.

- How to talk about Jesus Christ – April 27th
- How to talk about Salvation (and problem of evil) May 4<sup>th</sup>
- How to talk about the human person – May 11<sup>th</sup>
- How to talk about the Church – May 18<sup>th</sup>
- To sign up for the series, click on the following link: <https://www.lightoftruth.uk/event-details/further-training-for-catechists-2023-04-20-19-30>

### **PRO-LIFE EVENT – CLIFTON CATHEDRAL APOSTLE ROOM 7.30-9.00 PM**

If you are interested in finding more details about this event please look at the following link <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CAhQLu2YAaX-iVT5iBHaRDvMifzivraR/view?usp=gmail&ts=64351dff>

**MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30th APRIL 2023**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Mark Humphrey  
8.30am Paul & Denise Gaiger  
10.00am Deacon Rob, Pete Dewfall

**READERS**

6.30pm Colin Gale, Joanna Deasey  
8.30am Sister Leenamary, Helen Jones  
10.00am Serine Alexander, Yetunde Ajakaiye

**BIDDING PRAYERS**

Helen Jones

**WELCOMERS:**

6.30pm Volunteers  
8.30am Sally Page, Eleanor Beasley-Suffolk  
10.00am John & Laura Bradley

**Church Cleaners:** Team One: Kay, Terry, Sarah, Ron and Elizabeth  
**Offertory Counters:** Team One: Laura & John Bradley  
**Children's Liturgy** April 23



