

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30TH JUNE – FEAST OF SS PETER AND PAUL

| Date | Time | Intention | Donor |
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| Saturday 29 th June | 6.30pm | Mary Dineen (Birthday Int) | Curnow Family |
| Sunday 30 th June Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul | 8.30am | John & Rosina Coggins | |
| | 10.00am | Deceased Parishioners | |
| | 5.30pm | Brazilian Mass | |
| Monday 1 st July | 9.00am | Pat Uren (Anniv) | Amelia |
| Tuesday 2 nd July | 11.00am | Requiem Mass for Nicholas Nitharsan | |
| | 7.00pm | Tony Coggins | |
| Wednesday 3 rd July | 9.15am | School Mass | |
| | 11.00am | Requiem Mass for Brian Howell | |
| Thursday 4 th July | 9.00am | Phyllis Haynes | |
| Friday 5 th July | 12.00 noon | Phillis James | |
| Saturday 6 th July | 6.30pm | Veronica N Onyebuchi & Sylvia Akabueze RIP | Ifeoma J Onyebuchi |
| Sunday 7 th July | 8.30am | Frances Leventhal | |
| | 10.00am | (1) Bristol Catenians (2) Gay Sullivan (Anniv) (3) Brenda Cambridge (Anniv) | Curnow Family Curnow Family |
| | 5.30pm | Brazilian Mass | |

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.

Wednesday & Thursday - 9.30am to 4.30pm

The Sacrament of the Sick is available every first Saturday of the month after 6.30pm Mass. You may also request the Sacrament of the Sick after weekday or weekend Mass.

FEAST OF SS PETER AND PAUL

On Monday, 1st July, Pope Francis will preside at a special meeting in Rome to give formal approval to the canonisation process of **Blessed Carlo Acutis**, the 15-year-old web designer who is set to become the first millennial saint. Keen to transmit the faith to a younger generation, he created a website to catalogue all Eucharistic miracles and a list of approved Marian apparitions. Carlo was born in London in 1991 and his family moved to Milan later that year. He died from leukaemia in 2006. Thursday, 3rd July is the feast of **St Thomas the Apostle**. Known as 'doubting Thomas' he has also been thanked by Church fathers for his scepticism which was the occasion for reassuring future generations.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

1. **Today** is the Holy See collection. **Peter's Pence** is a papal fund used for charity, but also to support the running of the Roman Curia and Vatican embassies around the world. The collection for the fund occurs each year around June 29, the feast of St. Peter and Paul.
2. **Sunday 14th July** is **Sea Sunday**, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea.
There will be a second collection for Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

There will be a training day for all new altar servers if they want to start serving. This will also be a refresher for existing servers. Training is on Saturday 6th July and between 10am to 12. There will be refreshment. Any questions please contact Simon on **07548377318** or see him after Mass.

FATHER JAN

Father Jan is coming for a month's holiday to St Patrick's, arriving on tomorrow 1st July until the end of July. He is still working in Israel close to Bethlehem. Please remember him in your prayers.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

There will be a confirmation talk on Tuesday 2nd July at 6.15pm – 7.00pm. Confirmation takes place on Saturday 20th July during a special Mass at 3.00pm in the afternoon. Bishop Bosco has delegated Canon Gregory and Father Antonio to confer the sacrament of confirmation at this ceremony when 66 candidates receive the sacrament.

GENERAL ELECTION

The Shore Gallery will be a polling station for the General Election on Thursday 4th July from 7.00am – 10.00pm

BISHOP DECLAN LANG

Bishop Declan Lang has retired to Bath and Canon Gregory has written a letter to him on behalf of the parish, thanking him for all he has done for St Patrick's over the years. A copy of the letter is on the notice board.

FATHER UATOS PIRES PEREIRA

We welcome Father Uatos Pires Pereira, a Brazilian priest studying a master's degree in Philosophy at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He will be hosted by Father Antonio from June 29th to August

26th, during which time he will study English at Clifton College. We wish him a blessed stay with us and much success in his studies.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for Nicholas Nitharsan who died recently aged 51. Nicholas' Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 2nd July at 11 am followed by burial in Kingswood Remembrance Park at 1 pm. We offer our prayers and sympathy to his wife Mathivathany and all his family.

Please pray for Brian Howell who died recently aged 43. Brian's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 3rd July at 11 am followed by cremation at Bristol South at 12.45 pm.

We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family.

May they both rest in peace.

FOOD BANK FOR ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Your Donation makes a big difference. 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 especially for **washing powder/liquid, fabric conditioner, cleaning supplies, toilet rolls are the preferred options. Chopped tomatoes, rice, treats – chocolate bars, crisps, biscuits and shampoo please. Thank you for your generosity.**

STELLA MARIS SUNDAY

Seafarers and Fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is Sunday 14th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously.

YOUR DIARY

1. Confirmation – 3.00pm Saturday 20th July 2024

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

St Patrick's Parish is brilliant at raising funds for charity and for donating to charitable appeals. Unfortunately, the regular weekly offertory donations which are given through (a) Standing Order, (b) Dona Machine, (c) collection at Mass are insufficient to run the parish. Sadly, the Charity Shop which formerly was our biggest regular fundraising activity cannot attract volunteers, so it is mostly closed. The Charity Shop has not contributed any donations at all to the parish for almost a year. A loss of over £10,000 a year. The number of members in the "300 Club" has declined to 230 a reduction of 70 members or £70 a week, a loss of £3640 a year. The Grant Bradley Trust has been a big benefactor to the parish and the school, but its income is depleted and its ability to make donations is depleted. We thank the Trust for covering all the costs associated with Father Antonio Marcos and all our visiting priests. Father Jerome, Father Jan, Father Henry, Abbot David, etc. (Approximately £30,000 p.a.).

Like all households, the parish has suffered from rising prices, especially electricity and gas over the past two years.

The consequences of the loss of income and rising prices is that St Patrick's Parish in the past two years has an overdraft of £34,000 and rising. Income does not equal expenditure.

The diocese has asked the parish to.

- a. Reduce the overdraft.
- b. Balance the books

Everyone will need to help. Canon Gregory suggests the following.

1. Everyone is asked to increase their offertory giving by 20%.

Weekly giving

| Now | Becomes |
|------------|----------------|
| £2.00 | £2.40 |
| £5.00 | £6.00 |

£10.00

£12.00

Please change your standing order to the increased amount.

2. From 1st July the second collection will be reintroduced at all Masses. Every working adult is asked to give £1 a week to the second collection. If you can, please try to donate £2 a week. The Bishop requests that about 15 second collections a year are held in church for various charities and on these Sundays the second collection will go to their causes. On the other Sundays (37) the second collection will go to the overdraft
3. Please covenant your donation. This increases your giving by 25% from the government refund.
4. The Parish Council will restart the Parish Fundraising Committee which will promote events for the benefit of St Patrick's.

The task of making the parish financially viable is the responsibility of all parishioners. A bit of effort from each **ONE** becomes a massive contribution from us

ALL. ONE and **ALL** is the way forward. Your help will be gratefully appreciated.

NEWMAN CATHOLIC TRUST

The Department of Education and the Diocese of Clifton have agreed that St Patrick's School can formally join The Newman Catholic Trust from 1st September 2024. This integration into this group of catholic schools brings efficiency into day-to-day management and operations and secures the future of the school as a catholic school. Thank you to Mrs Michele Marshall, all the staff and governors for successfully negotiating, over many years, this amalgamation into The Newman Trust.

ROSARY FOR PEACE

Members of the Legion of Mary from Bristol Metropolis have embarked on praying the Rosary for peace on Saturday of every fortnight at the Grounds of Broadmead in Bristol City Centre at 2.00pm.

It is open to every interested member of the church and the public. We have had non-Catholics joining in the prayer. St Patrick's Praesidium "Our Lady Untie of Knots is ably represented every time.

The grave challenges confronting the world at the start of this new Millennium lead us to think that only an intervention from on high, capable of guiding the hearts of those living in situations of conflict and those governing the destinies of nations, can give reason to hope for a brighter future.

"When once men recognize, both in private and public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony." Pope Pius XI, The Encyclical on the Kingship of Christ.

The Rosary is also a prayer for peace because of the fruits of charity which it produces. Praying the rosary for peace will produce peace among people and nations. When prayed well in a truly meditative way, the Rosary leads to an encounter with Christ in his mysteries and so cannot fail to draw attention to the face of Christ in others, especially in the most afflicted. How could one possibly contemplate the mystery of the Child of Bethlehem, in the joyful mysteries, without experiencing the desire to welcome, defend and promote life, and to shoulder the burdens of suffering children all over the world?

Apostolic Letter "Rosarium Virginis Mariae" of the Supreme Pontiff John Paul II to the Bishops, Clergy and Faithful on The Most Holy Rosary Article 6 "Prayer for Peace and for the Family" states

"A number of historical circumstances also make a revival of the Rosary quite timely. First of all, the need to implore from God the gift of peace. The Rosary has many times been proposed by my predecessors and myself as a prayer for peace. At the start of a millennium which began with the terrifying attacks of 11 September 2001, a millennium which witnesses every day, in innumerable parts of the world, fresh scenes of bloodshed and violence; to rediscover the Rosary means to immerse oneself in contemplation of the mystery of Christ who "is our peace",

since he made “the two of us one, and broke down the dividing wall of hostility” (Eph 2:14). Consequently, one cannot recite the Rosary without feeling caught up in a clear commitment to advancing peace, especially in the land of Jesus, still so sorely afflicted and so close to the heart of every Christian”.

The World needs peace today more than ever. From Ukraine to Russia, Gaza and Israel, Lebanon and the entire Middle East. Let us come together to pray for peace in the world through Our Mother Mary, The Queen of Peace and Our Lord and Saviour The Prince of Peace.

“If you want peace in your heart, in your home, in your country, assemble together every night and say the Rosary.” ~ Pope St. Pius X.

The next dates are 6th July; 20th July and 03rd August 2024

WOMEN’S GROUP

The Women’s Group meet in the Shore Gallery at 7.30pm on Wednesday 3rd July and this month they will be having a talk on St Anne’s Ferry by Andy McBride-Coogan.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

We are conducting a Survey over the next three weeks amongst weekday Mass attendees only to enquire if they prefer morning Masses at 9.00am or 10.00am and Tuesday evening Mass at 7.00pm or 7.30pm. Survey sheets will be in the table in the Narthex.

PAN-AFRICAN COMMUNITY

Pan-African Community is organising a beach party at Barry Island on Saturday 13 July 2024.

£12 for the Coach per person. (both children and adults).

Contact Chris Boateng for bookings.

TALKS ON THE FAITH

If you or someone you know is over 18 and is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or is interested in becoming a Catholic, you

would be welcome to join our Talks on the Faith group. The talks will commence on 22nd July in the church. Please contact Deacon Denis via the parish office to register your interest.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

Let us continue to pray for peace. May the Holy Spirit enlighten the minds of leaders and instil in them wisdom and a sense of responsibility, so they may avoid any action or word that fuels conflict. May they instead work decisively for a peaceful resolution of conflicts.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION AND CREAM TEA

Holy Family Parish, Southsea Road, Patchway BS34 5DP, are having a Corpus Christi Procession followed by a cream tea today Sunday 30th June 2024 at 4pm. Everyone welcome.

GLASTONBURY PILGRIMAGE

A date for your diary is Sunday 14th July, when the Annual Pilgrimage to Glastonbury takes place. You can find more details on the Pilgrimage by going to <https://www.glastonburyshrine.co.uk/pilgrimage> and <https://cliftondiocese.com/pilgrimage/>. Unfortunately, only nine people have signed up to book the coach, so we are cancelling this opportunity.

People will need to make their own way to the pilgrimage.

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 Sunday 14th July.**

(2) **Proof of Catholic Baptism of one parent and one Godparent 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.

THE COLUMBARIUM

If you would like to know more about the columbarium or reserve a vault for your future use, please contact Savia in the parish office who deals with all enquires.

TEA AND COFFEE

Tea & Coffee will be hosted **Every First Sunday of the Month after the 8.30am Mass**. Parishioners who attend this Mass are encouraged to come together and meet.

This week the **Polish Community** will be hosting tea and coffee after the 10.00 am Mass.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help with the tea & coffee going forward, kindly contact the parish office.

Next week the Women's Group will be hosting tea and coffee after the 10.00am Mass.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK

Mick Lewis, Alfred Chojnackie, Maciej Kauczynski, Grace Karimu, Debbie Redfern, Katie Cunningham, 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, Libby Nykolyszyn, Philip Green, David Griffiths, Diana Auret, Peter Wahinya, Mary Dias, Irene Agidee, Don Keys Massey, Liz Coventry, Janet Smart, Tony Gilmurray, Andrew Dobbins, Gabby Sislby, Stephen O' Sullivan, Michael Stars, Graham Parker, Terry Rooker, Steve Jackson, Angie Cortolli

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

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL VACANCY

St Patrick's School is currently recruiting for a SEND LSA to work in our school from 01/07/2024 or to start in September 2024. This is a full-time role 8.30am to 3.30pm, job

share applications may be considered depending upon the school receiving a suitable job share partner application. Please see the advert on

eteach and apply using their online application form. <https://www.eteach.com/job/send-lsa-1420981>

We also have a recruitment open for a KS2 Class Teacher working full time from September 2024.

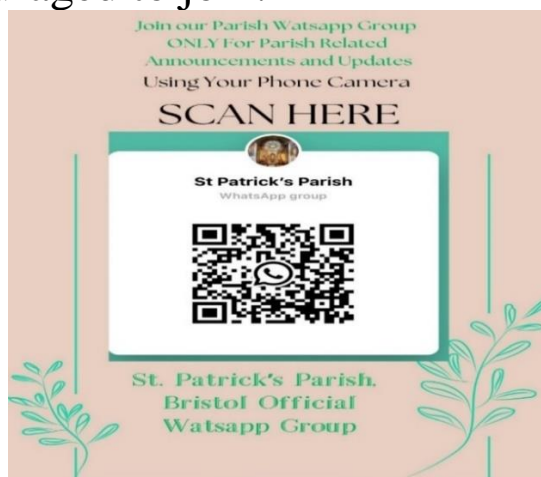
Please see the advert here: <https://www.eteach.com/job/ks2-class-teacher-1426956> For any more information please call Charron Plumstead on 01173772387

THE NEWMAN CATHOLIC TRUST VACANCY

The Newman Catholic Trust is currently recruiting for the role of a LEAD GOVERNANCE from September 2024. Further details can be found on: <https://www.newmancatholictrust.com/vacancies>

PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP

We have now formed a parish WhatsApp Group solely **for information and updates ONLY**. Scan the QR code on the advert in this bulletin and link yourself to any news and updates regarding the parish. The parishioners are encouraged to join.



MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK COMMENCING **SUNDAY 7TH JULY** **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

6.30pm

Deacon Denis, Terry Coggins

8.30am

Sister Leenamary, Maria Beasley-Suffolk

10.00am Deacon Rob, Jeril Liju

READERS:

6.30pm Luca Gilardoni, Joanna Deasey

8.30am Edmond & Daniel Beasley-Suffolk

10.00am Teresa Smaka, John Bradley

BIDDING PRAYERS: Edmond Beasley-Suffolk

WELCOMERS:

6.30pm Terry Rooker, Maureen Speed

8.30am Volunteer, Volunteer

10.00am Yetunde Ajakaiye, Jerome Ajakaiye

Church Cleaners: Team One – Adelaide, Angela, Bola, Grace,
Jomer

Offertory Counters: Team 3: Pauline & Mark Humphrey

Children's Liturgy June 30th & July 14th

Tea & Coffee: Women's Group