

**ST PATRICK'S CHURCH**  
**Clergy House, Dillon Court, Netham Road, Redfield, Bristol, BS5 9PF**

**PARISH PASTORAL TEAM**

Canon Gregory Grant - Parish Priest  
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**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023**  
**BAPTISM OF THE LORD (YEAR A)**

	<b>TIME</b>	<b>INTENTION</b>	<b>DONOR</b>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6.30pm	Maureen & Mick Ryan Agata Page P/Intention	Kath & Rob Laime
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan Baptism of the Lord	8.30am 10.00am  6.00pm	Marie & Will Howie The Bergin Family (P/Int) Joel (P/Int) Thanksgiving Tanashe Brazilian Mass	Christine Howie Geraldine & Pete Geo & Jiji Chinamora Family
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00am	Deceased members of the Brumby Family	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	7.30pm	Peace in War Torn countries	
Wed 11th	9.00am	Deceased members of the Gaiger family	
Thu 12th	9.00am	Marie & Denis Grant	
Friday 13th	12 noon	Sick & Housebound	
Sat 14th	6.30pm	Dulail, Fraczek & Pajak Families	Pajak Family
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> Peace Sunday	8.30am 10.00am 12 noon 6.00pm	People of the Parish Claramona Varghese (Anniv) Polish Mass Brazilian Mass	Thomson Varghese

**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**

**ORDINARY TIME WEEK 1**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January – St Adrian of Canterbury** was born in Africa but ended up spending most of his life and doing most of his work in Canterbury. Because of his leadership, the monastery of Saints Peter and Paul attracted scholars from far and wide, producing many bishops and archbishops.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January** – it did not pay to be a Catholic during the reign of Elizabeth 1, and today we remember one of the many martyrs of that time. **Blessed William Carter**, a printer, was hanged, drawn and quartered for printing religious texts in 1584

**WELCOME FR HENRY**

We welcome Fr Henry to be with us for the next month. Fr Henry will be celebrating Polish Masses on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 12noon.

**PAN AFRICIAN CHOIR**

The Pan African choir will rehearse at 11.am in the Brooks Hall on 8<sup>th</sup> January after 10.00am Mass.

**REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for Hannah Curnow who died recently. Hannah was a regular parishioner for over 50 years, usually at the 6.30pm Mass. Hannah's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am and then at Westerleigh crematorium at 12.30. We offer our prayers and sympathy to husband Gerry, and children Mandy and Russell. May she rest in peace.

## **SECOND COLLECTION**

This Sunday there will be a second collection for the Friends of the Holy Land.

## **NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER AND DAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY PICNIC**

St Patrick's parish started the New Year with a bang. Both events were well supported, and a great time was had by all. Thank you to all the people involved in making both events such a success. Our next Centenary Event will be the Parish Mission in February starting on Ash Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

## **300 CLUB WINNERS FOR DECEMBER & BIG DRAW**

**December 4<sup>th</sup>** – Anna Kirkham, Andy Cox, Pat Cox, Katrina Long, Joel Geo. **December 11<sup>th</sup>** Dunford Twins, Morgan Plumstead, Elayah Farrell, Debbi Hanks, Robert Mulholland.

**18<sup>th</sup> December** – BIG -DRAW 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £500 David Skinner, £100 Zac Hatton, £50 Alexis Dixon, £50 S & L Peck, £50 Mani Mulholland, £25 John Varghese, £25 Carole Maggs, £25 Edward Jaworski, £25 Roisin Giles, £10 David Strong, £10 Alan Gigi, £10 S & N McGuinness £10 Jean Lovett, £10 Liz Hewitt, Bonus £100 Dominic Hewitt

**December 25<sup>th</sup>** – Edward Jaworski, Andrew Lee, John Byrne, Susan Fox, Yetunde Ajakaiye

## **YOUTH CHOIR**

Calling all teenage boys, girls, men & women from 12-25, our Director of Music Tracy McNama plans to form a **St Patrick's Youth Choir** to sing with the Music Group on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023**. The Youth Choir will sing the offertory and communion hymns, Stormzy 'Blinded by your grace' and Leonard Cohen's 'Hallelujah' and we will **rehearse on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> January at 11.00am** after the 10.00am Mass. We want to encourage this new and valuable contribution to the musical life of the parish.

Tracy would also like to hear from anyone who would like to sing or play an instrument as a soloist during Mass.

The four-part Choir are looking for more sopranos to join them.

Please contact Tracy McNama through the parish office if you would like to take part. All abilities welcome, no need to read music.

## **USE OF MOBILE PHONES IN CHURCH**

There has been a significant rise in the use of mobile video and photography at inappropriate times during Masses, weddings, and other recent events. Members of the congregation have been filming entire segments, obstructing the view of other parishioners, moving out of their seats and blocking the aisle and standing behind the musical director to take photographs while the Mass or event is in progress. Please be respectful and remember that the Mass is a sacred event, and a place of worship should be respected. No filming in Church is permitted under any circumstances. This activity is an infringement of our Child Protection Policy and offenders will be asked to leave the Church.

## **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

### **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT DAILY**

From Tuesday – Friday between 9.30am and 4.00pm, The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in church for private devotions and prayers

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

Bernadette Newton, Gracy Mathew, Fergal Treanor, Patrick Smith, Mick Lewis, Mary Dias, Alfred Chojnackie, Elinor Agius, John Caherty, Paula Delves, 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, Geraldine Dewfall, Sister Bidy, Jim Brooks, Grace Strong, Laura Birkett, Gwen White, Carol Skinner, Bernard Stadden, Agata Page, Canon Frank Bermingham, Ian Cleverly, Cecile McFarling, Graham Tilley.

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

## **CATHOLIC DIARIES AND DIRECTORIES**

There are catholic diaries and wooden plaque calendars that are available from the repository at £5 each. The catholic directories are available to buy at £6.50 each from the table in the narthex.

## **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Please pray for the following in the month of January: Mabel O'Connor, Alice Withers, Pat Shore, Edna Whiting, Florence Packer, Edward & Celina Counsell, Paul Andrews, William Fryer, Margaret O'Brien, Olive Wiltshire, Marion Wiltshire, Mary & Owen Gilmurray, Alice & Ernest Edwards, Paul Massey, Rose Donaghy, Michael Rutherford, Iris Nykolyshyn, John McCormack, Mavis Wade, James Hiney OBE, Fred Dollin, Mary & Joseph Ryan, Mary McEwan-Gibb, Robert McEwan, Peter Hughes, Bridget & Owen Boyle, Peter Berry, Patrick Power, Fred Withers, Jack Creed, Ted & Mary Green, Lester & Price Families, Bernard Finan, Owen McCague, Mabel Wilson, Christina Albertina, Richard Deasey, Kitty & Nora O'Sullivan, Hannah Taylerson, Stephen Rose, John Barton, Brian McCoy, Stephen & Catherine Butler, Clarice Blackford, Clarice Bendry, Mark McEwan, Joseph Joseph, Patricia Robbins, Mary Weir, Willie Crawley, Gwen Burns, Father Frank Cama, Jean Power, Louisa Shepherd, Christopher Blackford, James Farrelly, Bill Shepherd, Ellen Gilcrest, Betty Groves, Jenny Rose, Colin Wiltshire.

## **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 Polish Community. Next week the Indian Community will be on duty.

### **PARISH OFFICE – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

If you have a few hours to spare during the week, the parish office could do with your help. No experience needed, there is always plenty to do. Please think about helping your parish in this way.

### **MINISTRIES IN THE PARISH**

Volunteers needed: (1) Welcomers/Ushers at 6.30pm Saturday evening Mass. (1) Readers at 6.30pm Saturday evening Mass. Full training will be given. The more volunteers we have would mean the less often you would be on duty. If you would like to take on a Ministry, please contact the parish office.

### **HELP NEEDED FOR THE DISADVANTAGED**

Fr Richard McKay of St Nicholas of Tolentino writes: Our community is privileged to serve those among the poorest and most disadvantaged of our city. Every week we are providing food for 500-600 people through our Food Bank 'St Nicholas Bread'. Our 'Caritas' Destitution Fund is currently giving a £10 top-up for gas and electric to 150 people a month – and this number is growing month by month. We would like to give the top-up a little more frequently. With your support we can help more vulnerable people more often. Thank you on their behalf for anything you can give.

### **ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL FOOD 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**. Thank you for your continued support.

### **PARISH CENSUS FORM**

It is lovely to see many new faces in our congregation. Everyone is asked to fill out a census form for our parish records. They are located at the end of the church bench. Please put your completed form in the box provided in the Narthex. If you have moved, married or changed your census information please complete a new form. Thank you for helping keep our information up to date. Parishioners who register qualify for benefits including discount on hall and outings for youth etc.

## **EDUCATION AND FORMATION**

### **BAPTISMS**

Baptisms take place on the first and third Sunday of each month at 11.30am (after the 10.00am 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 11.00am – immediately after the 10 am Mass. The next talk will take place today.

### **WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH**

Lisie Dos Santos Possebom and Laura Pratte Sfalsin who were baptised yesterday by Fr. Antonios

### **TIME TO START SCHOOL**

If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 then **now** is the time to apply for a place at a Catholic primary school in the Diocese. You must complete an application form either online or on paper that is available from the school Admissions Team of Bristol City Council for admission during the 2023 – 2024 school year. If your child has been baptised, you **must** also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to your preferred school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**.

### **ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL NEWS**

We welcomed the staff and pupils back to school last Wednesday. We hope they all enjoyed their Christmas break and are looking forward to the Spring term.

### **THE LITTLE WAY CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL TRUST**

A third new Catholic Educational Multi Academy Trust, The Little Way Catholic Educational Trust – consisting of Catholic Primary Schools in Gloucestershire, is due to open on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 and so the Bishop is seeking to appoint Foundation Directors to its Trust Board. If you have enthusiasm and commitment, can take a strategic view and wish to support and sustain Catholic education, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing board. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, to provide the best possible education for the children in our schools.

For an application pack visit <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/governance> and click on the @Recruitment@ tab or contact Bill McEntree, Governance Officer via [Bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com) or on 07710094976 for further details

## VOCATIONS – NOT ALL BAD NEWS

### STATISTICS OF PRIESTS IN THE LAST 20 YEARS

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2020</u>
Europe	209,000	164,000
Africa	50,000	77,000
Asia	<u>43,000</u>	<u>72,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>302,000</b>	<b>313,000</b>

### RELIGIOUS SISTERS

Asia	13,000	175,000
Africa	<u>52,000</u>	<u>79,000</u>
TOTAL	65,000	254,000

**The Holy Spirit is Alive and Well!!!**

### MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023 PEACE SUNDAY- CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 6.30pm Deacon Denis, Terry Coggins  
8.30am Maria Beasley-Suffolk, Bridget Hemmings  
10.00am Deacon Rob, Pauline Humphrey

#### READERS

- 6.30pm Colin Gale, Joanna Deasey  
8.30am Edmund Beasley-Suffolk, Sister Leenamary  
10.00am Sharon King, Dona Jiji

**BIDDING PRAYERS:** Edmond Beasley-Suffolk

#### WELCOMERS:

- 6.30pm Volunteer, Volunteer  
8.30am Volunteer, Volunteer  
10.00am Laura & John Bradley

- Church Cleaners:** Team One: Kay, Terry, Sarah, Ron, Elizabeth  
**Offertory Counters:** Team One: Laura & John Bradley  
**Tea & Coffee Rota:** Indian Community  
**Children's Liturgy:** Will take place on 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> January

