

# 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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### PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

	TIME	INTENTION	DONOR
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6.30pm	Lizzie O'Sullivan	Curnow Family
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb Day for unemployed	8.30am	Andy Maguire	Maureen & Andy Gray
	10.00am	Thanksgiving Tariro Chinamora 6 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Treaa Thomas (Anniversary)	Chinamora Family Alexander Family
	6.00pm	Pat Parker Brazilian Mass	St Patrick's Music
Tuesday 21st Feb	7.30pm	Felix Cassidy-Jones (Private Intention)	Brendan Cassidy
Wed Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup> Ash Wednesday	9.15am	School Mass Jerome & Anna Felix (Private Intention)	Sister Leenamary
	7.30pm	People of the Parish	
Thu 23rd Feb	11.00am	Victims of the Earthquake	
	7.30pm	Sick & Housebound	
Friday 24th Feb	9.15am	Stations of the Cross	Jim, Julie & family Adams & Lewis families
	11.00am	Jamie Brooks (Birthday memories) Liz Adams (Birthday memories)	
	7.30pm	Marie & Denis Grant	
Sat 25th Feb	11.00am	Youth Mass	Mary Dineen Mary Funkuin
	6.30pm	Curnow Family Intentions Primus Nkuo Ndichia (RIP)	
Sunday 26th Feb 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent	8.30am	John Everson (Private Intention)	Andy & Maureen Gray Adams & Lewis Families
	10.00am	Liz Adams (Birthday memories)	
	6.00pm	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 a 5.45pm  
Tuesday-Friday 9.30am to 4.30pm

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

#### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This week marks the beginning of Lent with **Ash Wednesday** on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January, a day of fasting and abstinence. It is also the day we start the Parish Mission – please see the programme for full details of the five-day Mission.

Ash Wednesday also marks the feast of the **Chair of St Peter**. It commemorates Christ's choosing Peter to sit in his place as the servant-authority of the whole Church.

Tomorrow, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February, is the feast day of **Saints Jacinta and Francisco Marto**, two of the three young shepherd children who received apparitions of the Virgin Mary at Fatima in 1917. Up to 20 million people a year visit the shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal. Our lady requested people to pray for world peace, for sinners and for the conversion of Russia.

## **ASH WEDNESDAY – ST PATRICK’S MISSION**

Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February, is Ash Wednesday, it is a day of fast and abstinence and the start of the Lenten period. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses. It is a time of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ’s resurrection on Easter Sunday. It is also the day we start our Parish Mission. The Mission is being led by Father Aldo and Father Kevin Kenny and is a great way to start our preparations of prayer and abstinence during lent. Please take a copy of the Mission programme home with you this weekend to refer to. Please come along and join us whenever you are available. Everyone is welcome.

**We also need volunteers to help with the preparation and setting up/clearing up of lunches as well as setting up/clearing up of evening suppers. Please sign the list in the narthex if you are able to help. All help would be very appreciated.**

## **YOUTH DAY IN MISSION OUR MISSION WEEK**

**Saturday 25 February**

Please come along to our Day of Celebration, Thanksgiving and Appreciation for all the young people of our Parish.

An invitation is to be given to all young people after Mass today.

## **SPONSORING OUR MAIN EVENT FOR THE CENTENARY YEAR**

The main event for the Centenary Year is The Mass of Thanksgiving on St Patricks Day, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm. We are expecting a congregation in excess of 400 parishioners and guests. Everything will be complementary – buffet – bar – dance. We ask parishioners to consider two things.

1. Please sign the list in the Church Narthex if you are attending the celebration. All adults and children welcome. It is great to see over 200 people have already signed the list.
2. If you are able to provide £50 sponsorship towards the event which will cost £7000 to host, please put your name in one of the 140 sponsorship boxes on the list in the Narthex. It is great to see that already 56 sponsors have donated. This is a total of £2800 so far.  
Thankyou for your generosity.

Your co-operation and support are gratefully appreciated.

## **AMELIA’S 75<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

This week the Come & See Group organised a wonderful surprise 75<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for Amelia. Many thanks to them for all the time and preparation as it was a wonderful evening enjoyed by all who attended. In the spirit of the evening Amelia was dressed in a beautiful sari gifted to her by the Group as shown below.

## **CHAPLAINCY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

“I was sick, and you visited me...” (Mt 25:36)

The Department of Spiritual and Pastoral Care of the central Bristol Hospitals (University Hospitals Bristol and Weston) is looking for people to give up two hours a week each to reach out to the sick as volunteer chaplains.

If you are interested in this important ministry and would like to find out more about the recruitment and thorough training process, please contact Rob Morgan, Chaplaincy Team Leader, on 0117 3426795 Mon - Fri 9- 4.00pm, or email [Robert.Morgan@uhbw.nhs.uk](mailto:Robert.Morgan@uhbw.nhs.uk)

## ANSWERING GOD'S CALL

**"Answering God's Call": A vocations discernment retreat for young Catholic adults for Lent –**  
*Listening to the 'voice of Christ', discerning, responding to the call* at Brownhill monastery, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 8AL

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

For Catholic men and women aged 18-35

The retreat will cover the following areas:

Listening: What is the 'voice' of Christ and how do I know that He is speaking to me?

Discerning: What is Christ asking me to do?

Responding: How should I respond? How do I know that I am doing the right thing?

Commitment: Answering God's call.

**The Grant Bradley Trust will sponsor any young adult wishing to attend this retreat. See parish notice board for more details.**

## REST IN PEACE

1. Please pray for Veronica Sollars who died recently. Veronica's requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am and afterwards at Filton cemetery. We offer our prayers and sympathy to her daughter Catherine, son Gary and her grandchildren. May she rest in peace.
2. We pray for Jim Shields who died last week. When Jim read at Mass he made the scriptures sound like a poetry recital. His death was unexpected and we pray for his wife Britta and children, Alex(12) and Lena (9). May he rest in peace.
3. We pray for Bob Dixon who died on Thursday. His wife Kay helps our parish in so many ways, especially promoting the Rosary and cleaning of the Church. We offer Kay and her two sons our sympathy and prayers. May Bob rest in peace.
4. We pray for Graham Bateman who died recently. Graham was a former caretaker at St Patrick's school. We offer our prayers and sympathy to his wife Maggie and daughter Kasia.

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm Bishop Declan will celebrate a Service of Reconciliation including confessions at Sacred Heart Church, Westbury-on Trym. All welcome.

## POPE FRANCIS TWEET

**"Each one of us needs other people. Even weakness, if endured together with others, can become a strength that will make the world better".**

### 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, Bernard Stadden, Canon Frank Birmingham, Ian Cleverly, Cecile McFarling, Graham Tiley, Angela O'Leary, Maggie Smith, Jim Robbins, Mario Toffolo, Jean Marc Guillaume.

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

## **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.

## **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 Women's group. Next week the African community will be on duty.

### **BRISTOL HUNGARIAN FOLK DANCE GROUP**

If parishioners are involved in any form of National dance and wish to link up, please contact: Facebook. Bristol Magyar Neptancegyuttes or contact the parish office.

### **CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**

This Lent, Family Fast Day is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, and you are encouraged to support Cafod's Lenten appeal by having a simple meal and donating to the parish's Family Fast Day collection, or by giving online. Our world, damaged by the climate crisis, has a profound need of the love of God and Bangladesh is one of the most at-risk countries. Seeing crisis after crisis can feel overwhelming, but Lent reminds us that change is possible, for each of us personally and for our world. Please give generously. Thank you.

### **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**. Any surplus donations go to the Julian Trust. **We especially need washing powder and toilet rolls**. Thank you for your continued support.

### **ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL – HALF-TERM**

The school reopens on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February. We hope the staff and pupils have had a nice break and we welcome the whole school to Mass on Wednesday for Ash Wednesday.

## **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 today the 12<sup>th</sup> of February.

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.

(2) Today 19<sup>th</sup> February, Bento Debrente Patez and Lily Groves will be Baptised. We congratulate their parents and godparents and welcome into the family of God.

## **STEP BY STEP**

God does not lead me year by year  
Nor even day by day;  
But step by step my path unfolds  
As He directs my way.  
Tomorrow's plans I do not know:  
I only know this hour  
And him who bids me walk each step  
Supported by His Power.  
And I am glad that it is so:  
Today's enough to bear.  
And when tomorrow comes, His grace  
Will far exceed my care.  
What need to worry then or fret?  
My Lord, who gave His Son,  
Holds all my moments in His hand.  
And gives them one by one.

*Robert A. Young*

## **MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2023** **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Terry Coggins  
8.30am Bridget Hemmings, Helen Jones  
10.00am Deacon Rob, Yetunde Ajakaiye

### **READERS**

6.30pm Joanna Deasey, Colin Gale  
8.30am Daniel Beasley-Suffolk, Sister Leenamary  
10.00am Lisa & Simon Peck

**BIDDING PRAYERS:** Sister Leenamary

### **WELCOMERS:**

6.30pm Volunteer, Volunteer  
8.30am Sally Page, Eleanor Beasley-Suffolk  
10.00am Teresa O'Brien, Teresa Smaka

**Church Cleaners:** Team One: Kay, Terry, Sarah, Ron, Elizabeth  
**Offertory Counters:** Team One: Laura & John Bradley  
**Tea & Coffee Rota:** African community  
**Children's Liturgy:** Will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March

