

# 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 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

	Time	Intention	Donor
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6:30pm	(1) Johnny Enright RIP  (2) Veronica N Onyebuchi & Sylvia Akabueze (3) Thanking God for another year (Birthday Intention) (4) Accuvsio Crapavo (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anni)	Angela & Tim O'Loughlin Ifeoma J Onyebuchi  Ifeoma J Onyebuchi  Crapavo Family
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8:30am 10:00am  5:30 pm	Antonia Miryam (1) Celia Conway  (2) Teresa Thomas (3) Mary Keating O'Callaghan (Anniversary) Brazilian Mass	Madge & Bernard O'Donnell Alexander Family Gerry O'Callaghan
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9:00am	Father Bala Lorincz Karoly	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7:00pm 7:30pm	Souls in Purgatory Stations of the Cross	
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	9:00am	The Living Rosary Group Timothy O' Sullivan	Beata Socha-Oliveira Cavanagh Family
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	10:00am	Father Bela Lorincz Karoly	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	12 Noon  6:30pm	Peace, Justice and Healing in War-torn countries. Brazilian Way to the cross	
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6:30pm	Father Bela Lorincz Karoly	
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb Third Sunday of Lent	8:30pm 10:00am  5:30pm	Baby Lily McDonagh (1) Jamie Brooks (Birthday Memory) (2) Jim Brooks  (3) Elizabeth Adams (Birthday)  Brazilian Mass	McDonagh Family Julie & Family  Rose Adims & Family Adams & Lewis 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 a 5.45pm  
Tuesday-Friday 9.30am to 4.30pm

**Please note all Tuesday evening Masses are now at 7.00pm**

**The Sacrament of the Sick is available every first Saturday of the month after 6:30pm Mass.**

### **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

Today, Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> February, is the feast day of an artist whose paintings were so heavenly he became known as '**Fra Angelico**'. Blessed John of Fiesole was born in 1400 in a village near Florence. He joined the Dominicans at the age of 20. Michaelangelo once said of him that he was able to choose his models from paradise. He is the patron saint of Christian artists.

This week on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February, we celebrate the **Feast of the Chair of St Peter the Apostle**. In fact, we are celebrating the person who sits in it – St Peter and his successors. It focuses our attention and our prayers upon Peter in our midst in the person of the Holy Father, the Pope.

Two of the three shepherd children from Fatima, Portugal, who witnessed the apparitions of Our Lady are remembered on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February. **Saints Jacinta and Francisco Marto** received the apparitions between 13<sup>th</sup> May and 13<sup>th</sup> October 1917 and were asked to pray for sinners and the conversion of Russia. Francisco died of influenza two years later and Jacinta in 1920. Their cousin, Lucia, became a Carmelite nun and was still living when Jacinta and Francisco were beatified in 2000. She died five years later.

### **LENT OPPORTUNITIES**

1. CAFOD Family Feast Day on 25<sup>th</sup> February
2. Lenten Alms (The Poor Box) donations will be for CAFOD.
3. Stations of the Cross each Tuesday at 7.30pm after Mass
4. Lenten Soup Lunches in aid of CAFOD each Friday at 12.30pm
5. Talks on the Sacraments continue through lent.

**LENTEN SOUP LUNCHESES** Our Annual Lenten Soup Lunches will commence on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February. The soup lunch will be served in The Shore Gallery after midday Mass every Friday. A donation of £5 is requested and this money goes to CAFOD. Volunteers needed to help make and serve the soup, wash up and tidy up afterwards. The soup can also be made on Thursday morning / afternoon. If you can help, please contact the parish office. Many hands make light work. Thank you.

### **REST IN PEACE**

(1) Please pray for Mario Toffolo who died peacefully in his sleep at home last week aged 78 years. Mario was born and raised in St Patrick's. He was one of three sons, his brothers being Bruno and Frank. His brother Bruno's ashes are in our church Columbarium and Mario also reserved a vault in our columbarium as his final resting place. Frank is the surviving brother and continues to worship at St Patrick's each week as he has done since birth. Mario had a nephew (Paulo) who was one of two sons born to Bruno, the other son

being Jonathan. Paulo was like a son to Mario who never married. The statue of St Anthony in our church was donated by the Toffolo Family. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mario and his family and friends especially Frank, Paulo and Jonathan.

(2) Please pray for Alfred Joseph Daniels who died recently. We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family. Requiem Mass will be here on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 10:30 followed by cremation at Avonview Cemetery at 12:00pm

(3) Please pray for Robert (Bob) Penney who died recently. We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family. Funeral Service (Not Mass) will be celebrated here on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 11am followed by burial at Mangotsfield Cemetery at 12:15

### **CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**

Cafod Family Fast Day this Lent is next **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**. Please have a simple meal and then donate to the parish's Family Fast Day collection – to help hardworking people with the resources, tools, and training, to feed their families for good. You can give in the envelopes provided or online at [cafod@cafod.org.uk](mailto:cafod@cafod.org.uk) and please join us in praying for our sisters and brothers around the world for what they need to feed their families. Another way you could help is by partaking in the 'Big Lent Walk'. The aim is to reach 200km during the 40 days, sponsored either individually or as a group. Every little helps. For more information visit <https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/family-fast-day> Thank you for your generosity.

### **PROGRAMME FOR SACRAMENTAL YEAR OF REFLECTION AND PREPARATION**

Thank you to Parishioners who so far have been attending the Sacramental Talks and Reflections. All Parishioners are encouraged to attend the talks and reflections. This month's talks continue as follows: There is opportunity for couples to receive blessings from the priest after the talk.

#### **Sacrament of the Sick**

Every First Saturday of the month after the 6:30pm Mass, the sacrament of the Sick is offered to those who wish to receive it.

#### **The Sacrament of The Eucharist**

Tuesday 20 February 7:30pm – 8:30pm

[Speaker Father Joseph](#)

#### **The Sacrament of Christian Marriage**

Friday 23 February 7:30pm – 8:30pm

[Speaker Deacon Denis](#)

**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2024** The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) have sent a letter of thanks for our collection of £200 towards their work towards the defence of unborn babies in the UK. Thank you for your generosity.

**AID TO CHURCH IN NEED** We have received a letter of thanks from Stephen Riedlinger who spoke at all Masses last weekend. The retiring collection and Dona Machine donation amounted to over £1500, and this generous amount was gratefully received. Thank you to everyone for their generosity.

**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. Thank you for your generosity.

**EAST BRISTOL LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHEME**

The Council are commencing a new consultation on the East Bristol Liveable Neighbourhood Scheme. Neither of our two requests have been granted following our objections in the first round of the consultation.

1. **For the Benefit of The School**

We asked that Beaufort Road remain open.

2. **For the Benefit of The Church**

We asked that the BUS GATE at the intersection of Pilemarsh: Netham Rd: Avonvale Rd is removed.

Neither request has been granted.

**ACTION:**

It is essential that everyone starts lobbying/petitioning/complaining to their local councillor and local MP. In addition, please complain to

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/streets-travel/make-a-comment-on-traffic-regulation-orders-tros>

Please copy your letters of complaint to:

The Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak  
10 Downing Street  
London

The consultation ends on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

**RETIRING COLLECTIONS**

The diocese sends out an annual list of about 15 mandatory retiring collections (Second Collections). We will publish the retiring collections in the bulletin giving one month's notice. These collections are taken as you leave the church.

25 February	CAFOD	Lent Fast Day (previous Friday)
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**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** If you are interested in joining the Children's Liturgy team please contact Caroline White, Helen Jones or Christine Latham.

**ST PATRICK'S COLUMBARIUM**

Please pray for the following whose ashes are inurned in our parish Columbarium in the **Chapel of The Resurrection:**

Brian and Sylvia Davies, Betty Batt, Pat Parker, John Byrne, Phyllis Haynes, Teresa Clay, Helen and Andy Turner, Peter Bradley, Marie Grant, Jeff Rooker, Canon Kevin Kenny, Pat Uren, Martin Fogarty, Christine Tofollo, Bruno Tofollo, Maurice Claypole. May they rest in Peace.

If you would like to reserve a place in the Columbarium, please pick up a folder with the details in the narthex and see Chris or Savia in the parish office.

**PARISH WEBSITE** You are now able to access events happening in the parish through the parish website several months in advance. If you go to the homepage, drop down menu, Mass Times and Intentions, Mass Times - you can find events, rehearsals Mass intentions etc.

### **BAPTISMS**

(1) Today Rosie King will be Baptised. We welcome Rosie into the family of God and congratulate her parents and godparents. Next weekend Anna Maria Raffaele Pellegrino will be Baptised.

(2) 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. **The next talk in on Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>.**

(3) 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 am – 4.30 pm.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** The First Holy Communion Classes start on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00am -11.30am. On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February at the 10.00am Mass the children will be enrolled and will receive a special Blessing. Thirty parents enrolled their children in the forthcoming classes, and we pray for their teachers and parents during this programme.

**CONFIRMATION** We are delighted to see that 58 people have signed up to enrol in the confirmation programme to receive the Sacrament in July. The programme starts next week, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 6.15 – 7.00pm in the Shore Gallery with a talk by Deacon Denis. Books for the candidates will be available next Tuesday at the meeting.

### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES FUNDRAISING EVENING – DISCO AND DANCING**

Our Lady of Lourdes is holding a fundraising evening on 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7pm, to help the ageing population in the parish who only see people on a Sunday. Shannon Kitchen, an Irish Folk singer, will lead the entertainment. Tickets £20 to include a buffet. Contact Sharon Kitchen on 07789036649 for more details.

### **SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA**

Thank you to the Women's Group for organising a fundraising afternoon tea this Sunday in The Shore Gallery. We hope everyone enjoys their home-made cakes and specialties.

**VOLUNTARY HELP St Patrick's Charity Shop:** The Charity Shop is looking for volunteers to come in for a few hours a week, to help with the day to day running of the charity shop. The Charity Shop is open Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm. If you are able to spare a couple of hours a week, please inform the parish office or contact Adriena the Charity Shop manager. Please call to speak with the shop manager [0117 955 8001](tel:01179558001)

**The Church:** Some parishioners give a day or half a day in the Church Office to help the parish run smoothly. If you are able to give three hours a week or more to assist in the parish office, please speak to Savia who will be glad to receive your voluntary help.

**Church Cleaning:** We now need some new Church cleaners on Friday and are looking for volunteers. If you have a few hours to spare on a Friday morning, please contact the parish office. We have appealed to the school and have had several people come forward to help, the more people who volunteer the less often you are needed. It was great to see some school parents' volunteer.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY ANNUAL CELEBRATION**

St. Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday this year. There will be a Parish Celebration Supper in The Shore Gallery on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March, after the evening Mass. Final details, costs, etc will be published in next week's bulletin.

**W.E. IRISH** (previously known as Bristol Irish Society) are well under way with planning the Annual Parade and Festivities to take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March, St. Patrick's Day. Please see the Poster.

**POPE FRANCIS TWEET** Children must be able to play, study, grow in a peaceful environment. Woe to anyone who stifles the joyful impulse of hope.

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

**TEA AND COFFEE** Tea and coffee will be served this week after the 10.00am Mass by the Indian Community. Next week the Come & See Group will be hosting.

We would like to reinstate tea and coffee after 8.30am Mass from 9.15am to 9.50am. About twelve people enjoyed this occasion and only one person a week needs to volunteer for a new Rota. Please consider volunteering and sign the sheet in the Narthex. If four people volunteers, it will mean a commitment only once a month.

### **THE USE OF BROOKS HALL AND SHORE GALLERY**

These facilities are available to parishioners only for private hire at a cost of £200 a day plus £50 refundable cleaning deposit. Please make your booking through Savia in the parish office.

# CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2024

2024 St Patrick's Confirmation Preparation Programme

<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	20 February 2024	1. Getting Started
<b>Tuesday</b>	05 March 2024	2. What We Can Know about God
<b>Tuesday</b>	12 March 2024	3. Why the World Is Broken
<b>Tuesday</b>	23 April 2024	4. Jesus, more than a Mere Man
<b>Tuesday</b>	30 April 2024	5. Why Did Jesus Have to Die?
<b>Tuesday</b>	07 May 2024	6. The Comeback of Jesus...or the Story of the Resurrection
<b>Tuesday</b>	14 May 2024	7. In Search of the Holy Spirit
<b>Tuesday</b>	04 June 2024	8. Prayer - Staying in Touch with the Living God
<b>Tuesday</b>	11 June 2024	9. The Church - a Home for You and Me
<b>Tuesday</b>	25 June 2024	10. Eucharist, the Generosity of God
<b>Tuesday</b>	02 July 2024	11. Update! Confession!
<b>Tuesday</b>	09 July 2024	12. What Happens in Confirmation?
<b>Tuesday</b>	16 July 2024	13. Confirmation Rehearsal
<b>Saturday</b>	20 July 2024	Confirmation Mass (Subject to Bishop's Availability)

All sessions to commence at 6.15pm. Parents/Carers to ensure that Candidates are brought to the Shore Gallery and collected from the church on time.

6.15pm – 7.00pm – Learning in Shore Gallery

7.00pm – 7.30pm – Mass in the church.

**MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY.**

**2024 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Deacon Rob  
8.30am Deacon Rob, Bridget Hemmings  
10.00am Deacon Rob, Rebecca Musarurwa

**READERS**

6.30pm Joanna Deasey, Colin Gale  
8.30am Edmond & Rebecca Beasley-Suffolk  
10.00am Laura & John Bradley

**BIDDING PRAYERS**

Edmond Beasley-Suffolk

**WELCOMERS:**

6.30pm Alice Ndira, Volunteer  
8.30am Sally Page  
10.00am Teresa O'Brien, Teresa Smaka

**Church Cleaners:** Volunteers

**Offertory Counters:** Team Two: Simon & Lisa Peck

**Children's Liturgy** February 25<sup>th</sup>, March 10, 17, 24

**Tea & Coffee:** Come & See Group

*Dear Friends and Family in Christ*

The Ghana Catholic Community in Bristol are delighted to invite you to Ghana Independence Day Mass

**GHANA @ 67 CELEBRATION MASS**

**AT ST PATRICK'S CHURCH**

This is to thank God for how far He has brought our Mother Ghana and ask for peace for the upcoming election. The Mass will be celebrated in Ghanaian language, Twi at 1pm. Followed by refreshment in Brooks Hall,

**On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 1pm**

**St Patrick's Church, BS5 9PF**

**Celebrant (s): Rev. Fr. Joseph Mensah, SVD and Rev. Fr. Paul Antwi-Boasiako, CSSp**