

# ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

Clergy House, Dillon Court, Netham Road,  
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## PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Canon Gregory Grant – Parish Priest  
Father Jerome Ajakaiye  
Father Rafael Teixeira  
Rev Denis Deasey - Deacon  
Rev Rob Easton – Deacon

## PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

9.30AM - 2PM MONDAY TO THURSDAY  
5.30PM - 6.15PM SATURDAY

## CONFSSIONS: (IN THE CHAPEL OF RESURRECTION)

9.30AM - 10.30AM MONDAY - THURSDAY  
5PM - 6PM - SATURDAY

## ROSARY:

HALF AN HOUR BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH  
AFTER 6.30PM MASS.



**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING**  
**SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER 2024**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year C)**

Date	Time	Intention	Donor
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	1)Veronica N Onyebuchi (RIP) & Sylvia Akabueze (RIP) 2)Janet Knowlson 3)Edward Cox	Ifeoma J Onyebuchi  Pat Caddick Pat Caddick
Sunday 8th December <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	8.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Kath Easton 1)Nicholas Nitharsan (RIP) 2)Salvatorian Sisters Brazilian Mass	Gray Family Nitharsan Family
Monday 9th December <b>SOLEMNITY OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION</b>	9.00am	Marie & Dennis Grant	
Tuesday 10th December	7.00pm	Fr Bernard Carpenter (RIP)	
Wednesday 11th December	9.00am	Phyllis Haynes	
Thursday 12th December	9.00am	Phyllis James	
Friday 13th December	12noon	Andrzej Hnatyszak & Family	Pajak Family
Saturday 14th December	6.30pm 1.00pm	People of the Parish Pan African Mass	
Sunday 15th December <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	8.30am 10.00am  <b>3.00pm</b> 5.30pm	Pajak Family (Private Int) 1)A L Chandravathi (RIP) 2)Alva Jacob (3rd Anniv) 3)Patrick Coleman (RIP)  <b>Carol Service</b> Brazilian Mass	Manojo  Thomas, Gigi & Family Angela Loughlin

## **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent and we light the second candle on the Advent wreath as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

There are three feast days to Our Lady this week. Tomorrow, Monday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and the next day it is the Feast Day of Our Lady of Loreto who is the patron saint of aviation - this includes angels and birds as well as air travel. On Thursday it is the feast day of Our Lady of Guadeloupe who appeared to St Juan Diego in 1531. Very soon, six million native Mexicans were baptised. She is the patron of the Americas.

## **POPE FRANCIS TWEET**

Awaiting God is an important part of our journey. Each day, the Lord visits us, speaks to us, reveals Himself in unexpected ways, and He will come again at the end of life and time. The Lord therefore urges us to stay awake, be vigilant, and persevere in waiting.

## **OLD SCHOOL PHOTGRAPHS**

We lent old school Photographs from 1959 – 1965 to a parishioner. Could you **Please urgently RETURN the photographs to the Parish Office.**  
Thank you.

## **ST PATRICK'S CHIRISTMAS FAYRE**

We thank everyone involved in organising and helping at the parish bazaar last Saturday. It was enjoyed by all those who attended and £1217.77 was made.

To claim the hamper prizes, please see Savia in the parish office; the numbers are as follows: Green tickets 236-240, Green tickets 261-265.

## **PAN-AFRICAN COMMUNITY**

The Pan-African Community are having an End of Year get together on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December, in the Brooks Hall with Mass in the Church at 1pm. The community invite all parishioners to join this social gathering with food and drinks. Do come along and meet your fellow parishioners.

## **300 CLUB BIG CHRISTMAS DRAW**

The 300 Club December Big Draw will take place after the 10.00am Mass on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December. All members must be paid up to date to be eligible for entry into the draw. First prize £500: Second prize £100: Third/Fourth/Fifth prizes £50 each: Sixth/Seventh/Eighth/ Ninth £25 each. Remaining five prizes £10 each. Bonus prize £100.

We have spare numbers looking for a good home. It costs just £1 per week, per number payable monthly/quarterly/ half yearly/yearly advance.

Membership can be paid in cash/cheque, quarterly standing order. This is a good way to support the parish as funds not paid out in winnings goes to the parish funds. You have to be in it to win it.

## **NOVEMBER 300 CLUB WINNERS**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Teresa Gee, Patsy McCarthy, Ebi Cole, Maria Beasley-Suffolk, S & N McGuiness. **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>:** Stephen Gachango, Carmel Virgo, Donald Spiers, Joanna Deasey, Emmanuel Edmond. **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>:** Charlie Williams, Dave Hale, Savia Rodrigues, John Olver, Rose Adims. **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>:** Debbie Hanks, Jim McCormack, Canon Gregory, Ronnie Reeves, CC Cleaning.

## **BAPTISMS**

- (1) Baptisms take place on the first and third Sunday of each month at 11.30 am (after the 10.00 am Mass).
- (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 pm.

**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 will take place today December 8<sup>th</sup>.**

## **MISSIO RED BOXES**

"December is month when I complete the returns to Missio for the Red Box donations throughout the year. If anyone has a box that they would like me to empty, please bring it in the next couple of weeks, and either hand it to me at 6:30 Saturday Mass or leave it in the Parish office, where I shall collect it. May thanks, on behalf of Missio, for your continued support."

## **WE CAN STILL DEFEAT ASSISTED SUICIDE**

There is a clear path toward the assisted suicide Bill being defeated at Third Reading. Early analysis shows that at least 36 MPs supported the Bill but have concerns that mean they may vote NO at later stages.

Just 28 MPs switching their stance to NO would ensure it is defeated at Third Reading. We need MPs to know that their constituents want them to vote NO at Third Reading.

***Please take action now and visit [www.righttolife.org.uk/ASvote](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/ASvote) to find out how your MP voted and ask them to vote against the Bill at Third Reading.***

## **ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL FOODBANK IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

**The Foodbank Collections Box is now located inside the Parish office.** Please drop your donations, during office hours, inside the office and over the weekend, outside the parish office door. Anyone needing assistance from the donations box is welcome to come and help themselves during these hours. **Donations are requested from parishioners to assist those in Need.**

## **VOLUNTEERTING AT UHBW**

"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 2.5 hours a week each to reach out to the sick as chaplaincy volunteers.**

If you are interested in this important ministry, and would like to find out more about the recruitment and our thorough training process, please contact Rob Morgan, Lead Chaplain, on 0117 3426795 Mon - Fri 9 - 4:00, or email [Robert.Morgan@uhbw.nhs.uk](mailto:Robert.Morgan@uhbw.nhs.uk) before 31st December 2024."

## **PIANO & CELLO CONCERT**

**On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**, St Patrick's school and other school children will be performing in a concert in the church from 5-9pm. Everyone is welcome.

## **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.

Tea and Coffee after the 10am Mass will be served today by the **Pan-African Community**.

**Next week the tea and coffee will be served by the Women's Group.**

## **OUR LADY OF GUADELOUPE – DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>**

Life is the leading UK charity helping women breakdown the barriers to motherhood and starting a family. Our Lady of Guadeloupe is the patron saint of pregnant mothers. For more information on our mission and work please visit: [www.lifecharity.org.uk](http://www.lifecharity.org.uk)

## **MOTHERHOOD PRAYER**

Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust.

Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish community's places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need.

Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion. Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. AMEN

## **ADVENT RETREAT 2024**

Clifton Diocese in partnership with 'Light of Truth' are offering 3 sessions to prepare for Advent by reflecting from Scripture on the virtue of hope as we enter into the Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope'. The sessions begin at 7.30pm on Thursday evenings on 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> December. For more information see the poster in the Narthex on the notice board.

# ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

### MASS TIMINGS

24TH DECEMBER TUESDAY <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	FAMILY MASS <b><u>6.00PM</u></b> MIDNIGHT MASS <b><u>10PM</u></b>
25TH DECEMBER WEDNESDAY <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	FAMILY MASS <b><u>10AM</u></b> BRAZILIAN MASS <b><u>5.30PM</u></b>
26TH DECEMBER THURSDAY <b>BOXING DAY</b>	MASS <b><u>12 NOON</u></b>
27TH DECEMBER FRIDAY	MASS <b><u>12 NOON</u></b>
28TH DECEMBER SATURDAY	MASS <b><u>6:30PM</u></b>
29TH DECEMBER SUNDAY	MASS <b><u>8.30AM</u></b> FAMILY MASS <b><u>10AM</u></b> BRAZILIAN MASS <b><u>5.30PM</u></b>
30TH DECEMBER MONDAY	MASS <b><u>9AM</u></b>
31ST DECEMBER TUESDAY <b>NEW YEARS EVE</b>	HOLY HOUR <b><u>10.30PM - 11:30PM</u></b> MASS <b><u>11:30PM</u></b>
1ST JANUARY WEDNESDAY <b>NEW YEARS DAY</b>	NEW YEAR MASS <b><u>12 NOON</u></b> BRAZILIAN MASS <b><u>5.30PM</u></b>

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025**

**We Request Parents that would like to Enrol their Children for the FHC programme next year to contact Sr. Leenamary or the Parish Office at the earliest to register.**

**Classes will start on Saturday 01<sup>st</sup> March 2025.**

The children will be enrolled and receive a special blessing on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March during the 10.00am Mass.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confession) will be on **24<sup>th</sup> May 2025** and **First Holy Communion** will be on **14<sup>th</sup> June 2025.**

## **THE CHAPEL OF RESURRECTION**

Reserve a vault in St Patrick's Columbarium. This Unique Chapel gives a permanent dignified final resting place for the ashes of the deceased. The cost is £3000 for a 99-year lease for **two** caskets. The price includes the caskets and an inurnment ceremony. Many parishioners reserve vaults as part of their funeral plan. Please see the parish office for details.

## **BEYOND THE THRESHOLD**

Creating safe spaces for people to find out who we are, what we believe and what we're like!

A day for all! On Saturday 18 January we will explore the key principles that we need to employ before we embark on any specific programme of catechesis. Our day at St Brendan's College, Brislington, will start at 10am (9.30am refreshments) and will be led by International Speaker and Author, David Wells as our keynote speaker. In addition, there will be a series of workshops to look at how we apply the principles of creating a safe space, enabling others to know who we are, what we believe and what we are like!

**To register for the day please go to the Eventbrite link:**  
**<https://beyondthethreshold.eventbrite.co.uk>**

**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, Libby Nykolyszn, Philip Green, David Griffiths, Peter Wahinya, Irene Agidee, Don Keys Massey, Liz Coventry, Janet Smart, Tony Gilmurray, Andrew Dobbins, Gabby Sislby, Michael Stars, Terry Rooker, Steve Jackson, Angie Cortolli, Rosaleen Hourigan, Graham Parker, Kim Parker, Charlotte Priddle, Julie Priddle, Peter Auret, Sheila Bicker, Bernie Murphy, Liam Murphy, Damien McGinn.

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

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE. Please pray for the following in the month of December.**

Con Kennedy, Michael Beck, Jack King, Edward Hogan, Carol Jenkins, Terence Barry, Hilda & William Davies, Nellie & Arthur Pearce, Peter Hunt, Charles Pibworth, Karl Randles, Ann & Nelson Driscoll, Ellen & Michael Comerford, Tom Lynch, Geoffrey Preston, Joyce Holbrook, Dorothy Richards, Vera Shapcott, Dennis Parker, Sister Marilyn, Nellie Morgan, Edith Moore, George Haskins, Molly Foley, Arthur Robbins, Catherine Groves, Leon Figurski, Rita Phillips, Ivan Plettell, The Salvatorian Sisters, Harry McEntee, Hilda Deacon: The Dee, Richards, Cosgrove, Haberbosch, Reutens, James, Haynes, Pritchard and McCarthy Families, Myra & Tom Jennings, Peter Bradley, Emmet Locke, Brumby Family, Stephen Nosi, Johanna Nosi, Mary Joyce, Marie Grant, Joan King, Neil Hunter, Stephen Wren, Alison Paskell, Leslie Nelson, William Commons, Christine Hale, Nancy & Jim Gibbons, Matthew O'Leary, Ron Stone, Clarice & Walter Blackford, Mary Davies, Rosemary Walker, Antonietta Lagana, Jenny Rose, Ellen Morgan, Nkechi Cordelia Okeke, Robert Bernard McGuinness, Muriel Gaiger, Fredrick Joseph and Stella Violet May.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ROME 2025**

The Diocese is arranging a Pilgrimage to Rome in September 2025. Bishop Bosco will lead the five-day pilgrimage. The cost is from £965. Full details of how to reserve a place are on the Notice Board.

## **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 15th DECEMBER 2024** **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year C)**

### **EUCARISTIC MINISTERS:**

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Elizabeth Magorimbo  
8.30am Deacon Denis, Bridget Hemmings  
10.00am Deacon Rob, Deacon Denis

### **READERS:**

6.30pm Luca Gilardoni, Colin Gale  
8.30am Helen Jones, Rebecca Beasley-Suffolk  
10.00am Sharon King, Teresa Smaka

### **BIDDING PRAYERS:** Helen Jones

### **WELCOMERS:**

6.30pm Alice Ndira, Volunteer  
8.30am Eleanor Beasley-Suffolk  
10.00am Lisa & Simon Peck

**Church Cleaners:** Team Three – Andrea, Elizabeth, Stephanie, Jacinta

**Children's Liturgy** 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> December

**Tea & Coffee:** Women's Group



# **The Pan African Catholic Community (PAC)**

# **END OF YEAR CELEBRATION**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec, Mass at 1pm**

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

**followed by refreshments in Brooks Hall**

**Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Jerome Ajakaiye**

**Co-Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Francis Ezennia**



# Christmas

# CAROL SERVICE



Celebrate the spirit of Christmas with our enchanting Carol Service. Gather with family and friends to enjoy the music that echoes the joy, warmth and love of the season.



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Dec, 2024  
Sunday

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH  
REDFIELD, BRISTOL BS5 9PF

3PM

Come and experience His presence

