

BULLETIN 2nd March 2025
ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

9.30AM - 2pm Monday to Thursday

5.30pm - 6.15pm Saturday

Confessions: (In the Chapel of Resurrection)

9.30am - 10.30am Monday to 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 2nd MARCH 2025
EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date		Intention	Donor
Saturday 1 st March St David's Day	6.30pm	1)Veronica Onyebuchi (RIP) & Sylvia Akabueze (RIP) 2)Deceased members of the Stadden Family 3) Harbinder Johal (B/day Int)	Ifeoma Onyebuchi Bernard Stadden
Sunday 2 nd March Day of Prayer for Unemployed	8.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Frances Leventhal (RIP) 1)Amparo Fowler (RIP) 2)Nhyira Boateng (1 st B/day int) Brazilian Mass	Curnow Family Boateng Family
Monday 3 rd March	9.00am	Phyllis Haynes (RIP)	
Tuesday 4 th March	6.30pm 7.00pm	Stations of the Cross Delina-Ann Hussain (P/Int)	Maggie Fraser
Wednesday 5 th March Ash Wednesday	9.15am 7.30pm	Ash Wednesday School Mass Peter Bradley (RIP)	
Thursday 6 th March	9.00am	Faurzan Hasshmi (P/Int)	Maggie Fraser
Friday 7 th March	12 noon 7.00pm	Debbie Redfern (P/Int) Stations of the Cross	Sharon King
Saturday 8 th March	1.00pm 6.30pm	Ghana Independence Mass Sr.Biddy (90 th B/day P/Int)	Sheila Wakeham
Sunday 9 th March	8.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Frank & Michael Foley (RIP) 1)Adam Kowalaski (RIP) (Months Mind Mass) 2)Leslie 'Les' Macphail (RIP) Brazilian Mass	Foley Family Kowalaski family Jim McCormick

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wednesday, 5th March is the start of Lent, Ash Wednesday, a day of fasting and abstinence. Please see details of Masses on Ash Wednesday in this bulletin.

Saturday, 8th March, is the feast day of St John of God, the founder of The Brothers Hospitallers. He was born in Portugal in 1495 and died in 1550 after rescuing a drowning man. Today, the St John of God Hospitallers work with the sick and the poor all around the world.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

I urge you to continue your apostolate with joy and to be a sign of a love that embraces everyone, as the 'Gospel of the Day' suggests. may we transform evil into goodness and build a fraternal world. Do not be afraid to take risks for love.

TO ALL PARISHONERS WHO GIFT AID THEIR DONATIONS TO ST PATRICK'S

We are changing the way gift aid is administered in the Diocese. All parishioners who donate by standing order and who gift aid their donations, usually pay their donations into the Diocese's bank account. In future all donations should be paid into the parish's bank account. Please contact your bank to change your standing order. The new bank details are as follows:

Account Name: Parish of St Patrick's, Bristol

Sort Code: 52-10-03

Account Number: 66286549

Please contact the Parish office if you have MOVED HOUSE in the last 5 years, as we need an up-to-date address to claim gift aid. Thank you.

FRIDAY SOUP LUNCH FOR CAFOD

Lunch in The Shore Gallery each Friday commencing 7th March at 12.30pm. Homemade soup, breadbasket, cheese & fruit, tea and coffee £6 per person.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

Classes began yesterday morning. Today at 10.00am Mass the children will be enrolled in the First Holy Communion programme.

(Interesting fact. In Brazil the First Holy Communion Programme last three years. Children start classes aged 9 and receive Holy Communion aged 12)

Parents of the First Holy Communion Candidates - Kindly bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to the parish office.

FRIDAY LENTEN DEVOTIONS

1. At 7.00pm Stations of the Cross will take place. At 7.30pm Father Jerome will hear CONFESSIONS in the main church whilst JESUS YOUTH continue their Family Prayer session until 9.00pm in the Chapel of the Resurrection.
2. The Priests and Deacon of the Parish are giving 2-minute daily reflections on the Gospel commencing Ash Wednesday. You can access these meditations by going online to the St Patrick's Youtube, Facebook and Instagram Page.

FRIDAY FAMILY FAST DAY FOR CAFOD

Friday 14th March – A Day of fasting and donating to CAFOD.

ALMSGIVING – A LENTEN SPIRITUAL EXERCISE

- 1) A second collection for Almsgiving will be taken each Sunday in Lent.
- 2) St Anthony's Poor Box for donating is located next to the church narthex entrance.
- 3) A collection basket will be placed in the Narthex each day for Donations

WELCOME TO FATHER ANTONIO

Father Antonio will be visiting St Patrick's Church this week with two priest friends from Rome. The priests are visiting from Thursday 27th – Sunday 2nd March. All the priests will celebrate 6.30pm Mass on Saturday evening. We hope they enjoy their short visit to St Patrick's.

MRS MICHELLE MARSHALL

After 35 years of dedicated service to St Patrick's School and Parish, Mrs Marshall has tendered her resignation as Headteacher with effect from July 2025. We Thank Mrs Marshall for all she has done for St Patrick's over so many years. We will have the opportunity over the next few months to express our appreciation to Mrs Marshall and this will culminate in a Mass of Thanksgiving for her intentions, at the 10.00am mass, on Sunday 6th July followed by a reception in the Brooks Hall. In the meantime, we hope Mrs Marshall enjoys her final few months at St Patrick's.

HEADTEACHER VACANCY ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

St Patrick's School has a vacancy for a new Principal following the resignation of Mrs. Michele Marshall after a long and successful career at our School. This post commences on 1st September 2025 and is a full-time, permanent position. For application details please visit My New Term : <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/138465/EDV-2025-SPCPS-07144> and apply via the CES application form."

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

St Patrick's School will be attending the 9.15 Mass on Ash Wednesday. There will be a school disco at 3.00pm, on Friday 7th March, in the Brooks Hall.

JUBILEE BIDDING PRAYERS

Each month during the Jubilee year there will be a special Jubilee Prayer for a particular intention included in the Bidding Prayers. 8/9th March we pray for the World of Volunteering; 29/30th March, Missionaries of Mercy.

REGISTRATION FORMS

Any new parishioners or parishioners who have not registered themselves and their families, kindly complete the Green Census form in the Narthex and submit them in the parish office.

BURGLARIES IN CHURCH

Four windows have now been broken in the church and there is a lot of damage to furniture.

The Police continue investigating and this week we met with experts to see how we can secure our church building and our parish site.

Recently a Crime Prevention Officer visited the site to give advice on how to make our premises more burglar proof. We will be getting quotes for surveillance cameras, alarms, window locks and external lighting. All of this is going to cost a great deal of money, so we are now beginning an **APPEAL FOR SITE SECURITY**. Please consider making a donation to the Site Security Appeal Fund. These improvements will cost many thousands of pounds. Please make your cheque payable to St Patrick's Church or cash donations can be given to Savia or you can use the Dona machine.

If you can please GIFT AID your donation.

THANK YOU.

To date a few parishioners have donated to this appeal.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL

Please remember if you are going into hospital and require Holy Communion or other spiritual care, then ask the ward staff to contact the Spiritual and Pastoral Care Team, who will be pleased to assist you.

If you are going into hospital for planned treatment and you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please let the parish office know, and a time can be arranged for you to be anointed before you are admitted.

The Sacrament of the sick is available after Saturday 6.30pm Mass on the first Saturday of each month.

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

There is a selection of books in the Narthex for children to look at during Mass. If your child is not settling during Mass, please take your child out into the Narthex to occupy them with the books and calm them down. At the end of Mass please return the books. Thank you.

FOOD BANK - Donations are requested from parishioners to assist those in Need. There is a box in the narthex for donations to the food bank for school families in need. Any donation is gratefully received but it would be helpful for the following items: **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.**

GALA CHURCH CONCERT 2024

For those of you who were unable to attend this wonderful Event, please note it can now be sourced as follows. **Go to Google and enter Gala Concert St Patrick's Church, Bristol June 2024. Enjoy**

The Proceeds of £2000 were donated to St Joseph's Care Home.

ACTIVITIES LED BY FR RAFAEL

Every first Sunday of the month – 4.30pm – 5.15pm -Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every last Sunday of the month – 5.30pm Mass with Children

Every Friday during Lent – 6pm - Way of the Cross

8th March 5pm – 6.15pm – General Formation – Shore Gallery

25th March 7.30pm – 10.00pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

COURSE ON UNDERSTANDING THE MASS

Father Rafael who was formerly a university professor lecturing in Ecclesiology is giving a series of five talks on the Mass. Talks are once a month on a Saturday from 5.00pm – 6.15pm. People are encouraged to then go to the 6.30pm Mass. The talks will be in Portuguese and English and will be held in Shore Gallery.

1. Saturday 22nd February: Introduction Rite
2. Saturday 15th March: Liturgy of the word
3. Saturday 12th April: The Eucharistic Liturgy
4. Saturday 17th May: Communion Rite
5. Saturday 21st June: Concluding Rite

All are Welcome to attend any or all of the talks.

SINGERS WANTED

The four-part Choir and the Music Group would like to welcome new singers. You don't have to read music or have an audition. We are both friendly groups, who welcome new members and enjoy each other's company. The Choir rehearse twice a month on a Thursday evening from 7.30pm – 9.00pm; the Music Group rehearse twice a month on a Sunday evening from 7.00pm -8.00pm. **Please speak to Andrew Lee or Joanna Deasey, if you are interested or leave your name and contact number in the parish office.**

SECOND COLLECTIONS IN MARCH

15/16th March - CAFOD

23rd March - National collection for the Shrine & Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham

30th March - Priests' Retirement Fund

CHILDREN'S LENTEN MAP

We have kept a Lenten resource activity for Children **'My Lenten Map' on the Narthex table.** It can help children incorporate the feast days and personalize their Lenten journey.

Kindly take a copy for your child and to share with other children.

ENCOUNTER

Encounter is series of Online workshops running from Easter to Pentecost (7 weeks). Encounter will teach parishioners how to participate in many areas of parish life and administration. If you would like to enrol, email pentecost@cliftondiocese.com

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 10.00am Mass will be served by the **Indian Community**. Next week the **Come & See Group** will be on duty.

JUBILEE PLENARY INDULGENCE

A plenary indulgence is a grace granted by the Church which cleanses our soul and helps us to grow closer to God. When we sin, we not only damage our relationship with God, we create a need for healing and repair in our souls and in the world. Through Reconciliation, God forgives our sins but the effects of our sins may still need to be addressed. Indulgences are a beautiful practice combining prayer, good works and spiritual renewal, to help repair that damage. Indulgences can also be applied to souls in Purgatory. Copies of the Jubilee Plenary Indulgence and further information Sheet, are kept on the Narthex table on how to obtain an indulgence.

RECORDING A NAME IN THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

You may have the name of a loved one as a permanent remembrance of their life. Parishioners pray for the souls of those recorded. **Forms are available on Book of Remembrance cabinet, its cost from £50 to record a name. £75 for inscription with an illustration. You may choose their date of birth or death or a special anniversary.**

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE.

Please pray for the following in the month of March.

Cyril Hope, Alfred Herring, Margarita Roberts, Ellen Pibworth, Arthur O'Hara, Emily Lambe, Teresa Hunt, Alice Brook, Charles Williams, Hilda Thompson, Teresa Payne, Raymond Miles, Patrick Hennessey, George Donovan, Ryan & Pearce Families, Mary Hennessy, William Field, Michael Foly, Florence Batt, William O'Neil, Johanna Lynch, William McDonnell,

Brian Robbins, John Shore, Pat Shore, Gwen Burns, Mulhall & O' Neil Families, Alice Cosgrove, Phillis James, Emma Williams, Vera Wilkinson, Peter Alsop, Ellen McDonald, Mary Burns, James & Irene Fitzgerald, Joan Sweeney, Marie-Teres Adedigba, Breda Moylett, Mary Mullens, Nelson Green, Marjory Creech, Sheila Harper, Alicia & Joseph Harrison, Ellen Whelan, Louise Williams, Patrick O'Brien, Lesley Power, Frank Foley, James Adams, Amy Concannon, James Farrelly, Dino Dinon, Teresa and Winifred Simpson, Canon Owen Devanney.

W.E. IRISH (BRISTOL IRISH SOCIETY)

It is with great sadness due to lack of finances The Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade is cancelled this year (2025).

There will, however, be FREE entertainment (Fleadh Cheoil) in St. Nicholas Market area and Revolution Bar.

This takes place on Sunday 16th March from 12 noon until 7.00 pm.

There will be a "Faces of the Irish Diaspora" portrait exhibition around the city. At Ashton Court Mansion the Irish Takeover will kick off the weekend with music, dancing and plenty of craic.

Everyone is welcome.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK OR HOUSEBOUND

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 Nykolyszyn, 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, Julie Priddle, Peter Auret, Sheila Bicker, Bernie Murphy, Liam Murphy, Damien McGinn, Wayne Pollock, Liesolotte Hanks, Mark Coleman, Leanna Risdale, Natalie Hewitt, Daren Burges, Alan Anstey, Marion Thomas.

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

ST PATRICK'S CARLO ACUTIS GROUP

(18YEARS – 39YEARS) – REGISTRATION IS OPEN

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP:

- The group will provide a platform for young Catholics to ask questions and raise issues concerning the Catholic Faith.
- Bible Study and faith sharing
- The group will create a safe space for young Catholics of all cultures within the parish and across the four Sundays Masses to know one another, socialise and create bond of friendship.
- Games and recreation.

Events will include:

Board games, Bible study & Faith formation, Life sharing, Social Media Engagements, recreation, Seminars on trending issues, plan outreaches to promote the faith.

**EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY FROM 2ND MARCH IN THE
BROOKS HALL, ST PATRICK'S CHURCH**

TIME: 7PM – 9PM

Bar code can be found in the bulletin to join the WhatsApp group.

Fill a form at the narthex after Mass to register



WHO IS CARLO ACUTIS

Carlo Acutis (1991-2006) was a British-born Italian teenager who was beatified by the Catholic Church in 2020. He's often referred to as the "Cyber Apostle of the Eucharist" due to his remarkable devotion to the Eucharist and his use of technology to spread the Gospel.

Carlo is an excellent patron saint for a youth group, especially one focused on technology, the media and faith. His story can inspire young people to:

1. *Deepen their faith*: Carlo's love for the Eucharist and his commitment to prayer can encourage young people to nurture their own spiritual lives.
2. *Harness technology for good*: Carlo used the internet and multimedia to share the Gospel and promote devotion to the Eucharist, showing that technology can be a powerful tool for evangelization.
3. *Live with purpose and passion*: Carlo's short life was marked by a remarkable sense of purpose and passion for his faith, inspiring young people to make the most of their own lives and to become evangelists to all around them.

MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK SUNDAY **9th MARCH 2025 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Joanna Deasey
8.30am Maria Beasley-Suffolk, Bridget Hemmings
10.00am Deacon Rob, Jeril Laiju

READERS:

6.30pm Luca Gilardoni, Colin Gale
8.30am Helen Jones, Rebecca Beasley-Suffolk
10.00am Laura Bradley, Serine Alexandra

BIDDING PRAYERS: Helen Jones

WELCOMERS:

6.30pm Terry Rooker, Maureen Speed
8.30am Sally Page
10.00am Lisa & Simon Peck

Church Cleaners:

Team 1

Tea & Coffee:

Come & See Group

Children's Liturgy:

March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th



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CARLO ACUTIS GROUP



FEATURES



BOARD GAMES

BIBLE STUDY

OUTREACH

SEMINAR/TRAINING

EVANGELIZATION THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA

SPORTS

FAITH SHARING

RECREATION

PODCASTS



Every 1st & 3rd
Sunday from 2nd of
March

VENUE

Brooks Hall
ST PATRICK'S PARISH

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM



AGE: 18-39

The group will provide a
safe space for young
Christians to ask
questions and raise issues
concerning the Faith.



The group will provide
guidance to people on
their faith journey.
[NO BARRIERS, NON-
JUDGEMENTAL]

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St Patrick's Church Carlo
Acutis Group
WhatsApp group



WHATSAPP GROUP

THE GOAL IS TO
CREATE DYNAMIC
YOUNG CHRISTIANS
FOR OUR
GENERATION 