

Bulletin 9th Feb 2025



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

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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 9TH FEBRUARY 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date		Intention	Donor
Saturday 8 th February	6.30pm	<i>Eileen & John O'Brien (RIP)</i>	
Sunday 9 th February	8.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	<i>Mike Ryan (RIP) 1) Primus Nkuo (RIP)(Anniv) 2) K J Jose (RIP) Brazilian Mass</i>	<i>Mary & Family Joby & Family</i>
Monday 10 th February	9.00am	<i>Families of the Living Rosary Group</i>	<i>Beata</i>
Tuesday 11 th February	7.00pm	<i>Helen Boon (P/int)</i>	
Wednesday 12 th February	9.00am 12noon	<i>Paul Bourge (RIP) Nuptial Mass</i>	
Thursday 13 th February	9.00am	<i>Kath Easton (RIP)</i>	
Friday 14 th February	12 noon	<i>Peace, Justice & Healing in War-torn Countries</i>	
Saturday 15 th February	6.30pm	<i>Treasa Thomas (RIP Anniv)</i>	<i>Alexander Family</i>
Sunday 16 th February	8.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	<i>Sick & Housebound Dineen Family (P/Int) Brazilian Mass</i>	<i>Curnow Family</i>

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This week, on Tuesday, we celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. She appeared to Bernadette Soubirous for the first time on February 11th, 1858, and told the young girl: “I am the Immaculate Conception.” Since then, millions of people from all over the world have visited Lourdes for prayer and healing.

Today, Sunday, is the feast day of St Scholastica, the sister of St Benedict and the first Benedictine nun.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Next Tuesday 11 February is the Feast of our Lady of Lourdes. It is a World Day of Prayer for the sick.

Mass is at 7pm in the evening and will be followed by Anointing of the Sick for those who wish to receive the Sacrament.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

Our heavenly Father wants us to accept one another as brothers and sisters of a single family and to work for a future together with others, not against them. True wealth lies in people and in good relationships with others.

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 in order to claim the gift aid.*

Thank you

JESUS YOUTH

The weekly prayer session for families continues each Friday from 7.00pm – 9.00pm in The Chapel of the Resurrection. Everyone is encouraged to join.

BURGLARIES IN CHURCH

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

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

This week 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.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL

Please remember if you are going into hospital and require a priest in an emergency, then ask the ward staff to contact the on call Catholic Chaplain or the Pastoral Care Team. If you are going into hospital for surgery and you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please ask and we can arrange a time for you to be anointed before you go in. *The Sacrament of the sick is available after Saturday 6.30pm Mass on the first Saturday of each month.*

INDIANNA & MARTIN MCDONAGH

We congratulate Indianna and Martin McDonagh on their forthcoming wedding which is happening on the 12th of February and pray God bless their union. Father Jerome is celebrating their nuptial Mass, and we hope all the families enjoy this special day.

JUBILEE BIDDING PRAYERS

Weeks commencing Sunday 9th February there will be a special Jubilee Prayer for a particular intention included in the Bidding Prayers.

February 9th – Armed Forces, Police, Security Personnel.

February 16th - Artists

February 21st - Deacons

COURSE ON UNDERSTANDING THE MASS

Father Rafael who was formerly a university professor lecturing in Ecclesiology will be 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.

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.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

This Friday 14th February the school closes for half-term. We hope the staff and pupils have an enjoyable week. School reopens on Monday 24th Feb.

LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHEME

This Scheme which has been partially implemented is now suspended due to protests. The local authority (Bristol City Council) has received thousands of signatures opposing the scheme and protests in the streets by objectors. The bus gates around our church site are not active. Please do not become complacent. The council still want the plan to proceed and intend to complete it when protestors disappear and they believe it is safe to complete the works. Please sign the petition opposing the scheme by going online to <https://www.change.org/p/halt-the-east-bristol-liveable-neighbourhood-scheme>

SIGNATURE SPORTS

Signature sports will be running three fun days over half-term. On Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th February from 9.00am – 3.30pm in the Brooks Hall. Fun days can be booked by visiting

<https://www.signaturesportscoaching.co.uk/category/st.patricks-primary-school>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

First Communion Classes start on Saturday 1st March at 10.00am – 11.30am. At the first class there will be an introduction given by Canon Gregory at 10.00am. The next day, Sunday 2nd March, the children will be enrolled at the 10.00am Mass and receive a special blessing. The children will receive their **First Holy Communion on Saturday 14th June 2025.**

WOMEN'S GROUP

The Women's Group are looking for new members to join them. They meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm in the Shore Gallery. During the year they have various speakers and outings. The subscription is £30 a year. You do not have to be a Catholic to join. Do think about coming along, bringing a friend and making new friends. **Next meeting 5th March.**

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.**

RETROUVAILLE – A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Retrouvaille is a Catholic ministry for marriages in difficulty. We help couples whose relationships '*need a little help*' to those with more serious challenges and thus are separated or considering divorce. Retrouvaille international recently did a survey of past couples who experienced the programme - **75% of couples** were still together five years later - the **feedback was that it restored trust and healing to their marriage where other strategies had failed.**

Marriage Help – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse?

For confidential information about the next programme hosted on Zoom – 27th February to 2nd March 2025. Email:info@retrouvaille.org.uk
Call or text 0788 7296983 www.retrouvaille.org.uk

PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE WEEK FROM BISHOP BOSCO

Lord, we pray in thanksgiving for the vocation to marriage and for each couple that you join together to make a family. We ask that every marriage brings each couple closer to you and to holiness. We pray for those who are struggling in their marriage, that they can make it through this tough time and find hope and consolation in You.

We pray that this Jubilee Year can be a year of hope for marriages, with your gentle guiding hand through each action, decision, discussion and event. We make this prayer through Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

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 February. John Duggan, Luciano Toffolo, Anna & Julian Staffieri, Sante & Lucia Maddalena, Sister Mary Pegler, Teresa & Tom Raine, Francis Lambe, Joseph Browne, John Hiney, Charles Delany, James Hazard, Ernestine Wright, James Whelan, Benjamin Obi, Robert Penney, William Fryer, Dennis Freeman, Elizabeth & Dick Scanlan, Julia & Stanislaw Bosowski, Raymond Finan, Ellen McEwan-Wylie, Robert Mc Ewan, Roger & Annie Fitzgerald, Vassallo Family, Mike Harlin, Bridget Kelly, Mary O' Leary, Guiseppa Micciche, Anna Looney, John Cosgrove, Edwina Pegler, Mark Leventhal, Peter Bradley, Elsie Shaw, Cecilia Browne, Mary McEwan, John Tooze, John Moran, Hilda Nelson, Nora Breddy, Flo Windmill, Roger Ford, Madge Grant, John Farrelly, Christopher Blackford, William and Catherine Brew, Clarice & Walter Blackford, Vivienne Palmor Cooper, Jackie Andy Wylie, Elizabeth Adams, Robert Roger Ford.

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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 by the **Polish Community.**

Next week the **Pan-African Community** will be on duty.

300 CLUB WINNERS - JANUARY

Sunday 5th – Mary Dineen, Gabriel Farrell, Donald Anthony, Andrew Patterson, S Hatton & Z Mirza. **Sunday 12th** – David Strong, Savia Rodrigues, Jutta Coulam, Maria Beasley-Suffolk, Munashe Musarurwa. **Sunday 19th** – Canon Gregory, Winnie Dunford, Helen Coggins, Marie Gage, Rose Adims. **Sunday 26th** – Debbi Hanks, Jim & Lyn Robbins, Winnie Dunford, Manie Mulholland, John Olver.

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.

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

RETREAT FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

We will be hosting a Retreat for the liturgical ministers on the **15th of February 2025 at 9.30am until 3.00pm in the Brooks Hall.**

Kindly inform the parish office if you are NOT able to attend, please.

The attendees will be:

- 1- Priests
- 2- Deacons
- 3- Sisters

- 4- Catechists
- 5- Welcomers
- 6- Eucharistic Ministers
- 7- Readers
- 8- Choir (4-part Choir, Music Group, Pan-African Choir, Polish Choir, Brazilian Music Group)

THERE ARE 110 PEOPLE IN GROUPS 1-8 ABOVE. WE WILL CATER LUNCH FOR 110 PEOPLE MINUS THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR APOLOGIES.

THERE WILL BE A HUGE WASTE OF FOOD IF YOU ARE NOT COMING, AND YOU DON'T INFORM THE OFFICE.

ST PATRICK 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 4 Sundays Masses to know one another, socialize 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 etc

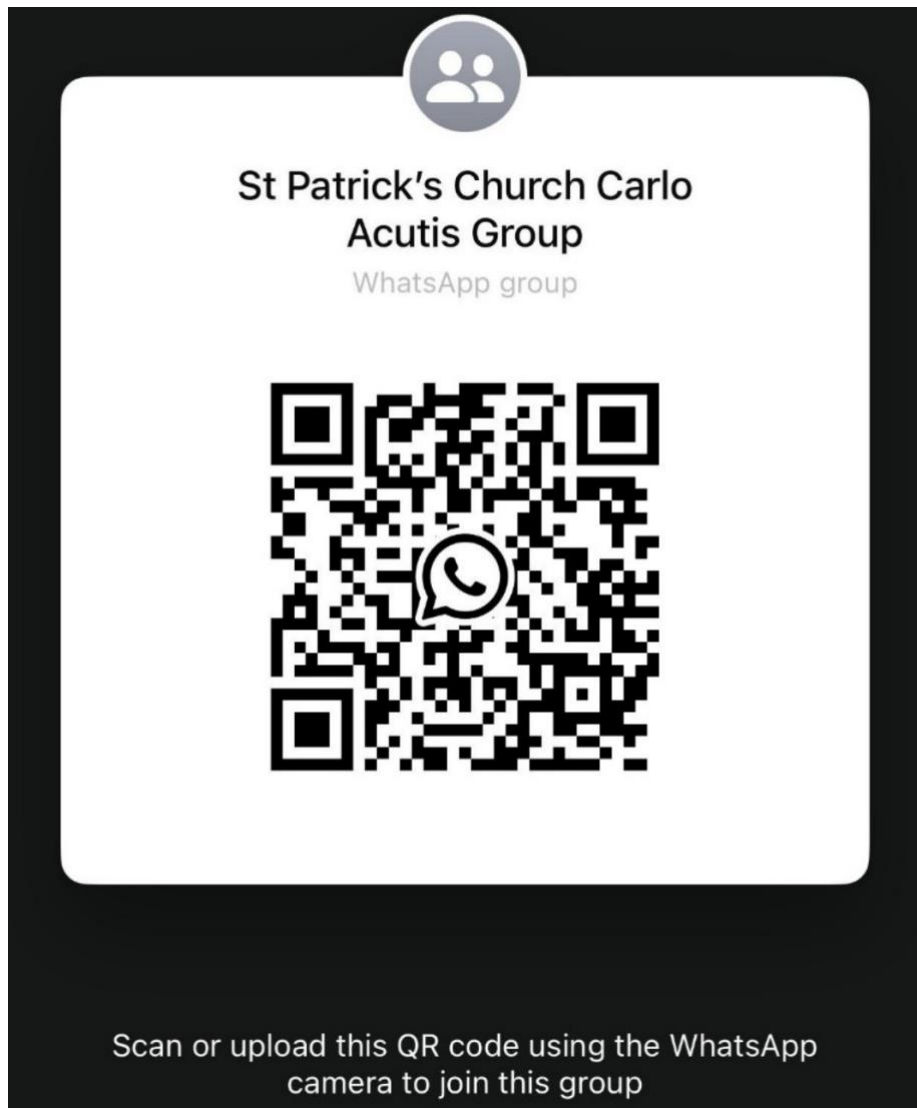
EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY FROM 2ND MARCH IN THE BROOKS HALL

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

N.B: Please, if you want to be part of this group and you are above the age stated above, you are very welcome.



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.

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

1. ***Deepen their faith***: Acutis'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***: Acutis 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***: Acutis'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.

MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH WEEK
COMMENCING SUNDAY – 16TH FEBRUARY 2025
RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Terry Coggins
8.30am Paul Gaiger, Rebecca Beasley-Suffolk
10.00am Deacon Rob, Pauline Humphrey

READERS:

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

BIDDING PRAYERS: Helen Jones

WELCOMERS:

6.30pm Terry Rooker, Maureen Speed
8.30am Eleanor Beasley-Suffolk
10.00am Lisa & Simon Peck

Church Cleaners: Team 2

Tea & Coffee: Pan-African Community

Children's Liturgy 23rd February

SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH BRISTOL

LITURGICAL MINISTERS RETREAT



Program

9:00 am- Tea & Coffee

9:30am – Opening Prayer and Welcome by Canon
Gregory Grant

9:45am- Introduction

10:00am – 1st Talk : The Liturgy of The Holy
Eucharist – {The source and summit of our
worship) – Fr Jerome

10:30am – Group Discussion

11:15am – Sharing

11:30pm – 2nd Talk: {The Church, a place of Love
and Friendship} Canon Gregory Grant

12:00 – Group Discussion

12:30pm – Lunch

1:15pm – Action Plan by various ministries

2:00pm – Mass

3:00pm- Closing by Canon Gregory

15TH FEBRUARY

SATURDAY

9AM - 3PM

ATTENDEES:

*Priests, Deacons, Sisters, Catechists, Readers, Eucharistic
Ministers, Welcomers, Choir (Different CHOIRS)*