BULLETIN 23rd March 2025

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

Clergy House, Dillon Court, Netham Road, Redfield, Bristol, BS5 9PF

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

<u>Confessions: (In the Chapel of Resurrection)</u> 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 23rd MARCH 2025 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Date		Intention	Donor
Saturday 22 nd	6.30pm	1)Arthur & Elsie O'Hara (RIP)	Phil & Pam
March			Green
		2)Delia Keary & Lena	Rosie Gilboy
		McLoughlin (RIP)	<i>y</i>
		3)Deceased members of the	Nora & Family
		McCarthy & Enright families	
Sunday 23 rd	8.30am	Paul Bourge (RIP)	
March	10.00am	1)Margaret Nooney (RIP)	Nooney Family
		1)Thomas Mathew (RIP Anniv)	Bismy Thomas
		2)Jim Shields (RIP)	Jim McCormack
		3)Thomas (Birthday P/Int)	Giji, Alvin &
	2.00pm	Legion of Mary - ACIES	Annmary
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	
Monday 24 th	9.00am	Ebi Cole (B/day P/Int)	Cole Family
March		•	
Tuesday 25 th	6.30pm	Stations of the Cross	
March	7.00pm	Mike Ryan (RIP)	
Wednesday	9.00am	Margaret Nooney (B/day	Ebi Cole
26 th March		Remembrance)	
Thursday	9.00am	Terry, Michael, Christy, Martin	McDonagh &
27 th March		Jo, Johnboy, Rosemary, Naomi	Torrens Families
		(P/Int)	
Friday 28 th	12 noon	Jim Brooks (RIP)	
March	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross	
	7.30pm	Jesus Youth Prayer	
Saturday 29 th	3.00pm	Nuptial Mass for Emily	
March		Holbrook & Daniel Lacey	
	6.30pm	Rodrigues family (P/int)	
Sunday 30 th	8.30am	Sick & Housebound	
March	10.00am	1)Tessie Clerkin (RIP)	Teresa, Willie
Laetare		& Eugene McCague (RIP)	and Anthony
Sunday		2)Frances Murphy (P/Int	Gray Family
		Birthday)	
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

On Tuesday 25th March we celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. This is the time when the angel Gabriel visited the Blessed Virgin Mary to tell her she would be the mother of the Saviour. Mary agreed to God's plan because she wanted her will to be God's will.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL THREATENS VUNERABLE PEOPLE

Please consider signing the Care Not Killing petition which calls on MPs to vote against legalising assisted suicide in England and Wales.

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill would make vulnerable people - including the elderly and disabled - feel a burden on family or carers resulting in pressure to end their lives.

There is a List in the Narthex if you would like to sign.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

I would like to invite you today, to join me in praising the Lord, who never abandons us and who, in times of sorrow, places people beside us who reflect a ray of His love. I Thank you all for your prayers and I thank those who assist me with such dedication.

<u>THE SEASON OF LENT:</u>

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations are prayed each Tuesday evening at 6.30pm before Mass and each Friday evening at 7.00pm before Confessions. The Keralan ladies pray the stations on Friday at 1.00pm.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard each weekday Tuesday – Friday after weekday mass and before and after weekend Masses at request.

EXPOSITION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each weekday from Tuesday – Friday from 9.30am – 4pm.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anointing will take place next Saturday evening after the 6.30pm Mass.

SECOND COLLECTION

Second Collections at Sunday mass take place throughout lent for CAFOD except on 23rd March, the collection will be for the Shrine of Our Lady of Walshingham and on 30th March it will be for the Diocesan Priests Retirement fund.

WALSHINGHAM SHRINE

In the 11th Century in the small village of Walshingham in Norfolk, Our Lady appeared.

This Shrine is now The National Catholic Shrine devoted to Our Lady. Over 250,000 visitors worship at the Shrine each year. The Second Collection at Mass to-day is for the upkeep of the Shrine.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

Next Saturday at 3.00pm there will be a Nuptial Mass for Emily Holbrook and Daniel Lacey followed by a reception in the Brooks Hall. We wish them a long and Happy Life together.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Office will be open in future from 9:30am until 4pm Monday to Friday.

FAREWELL TO TRACY MCNAMA

Tracy has worked for St Patrick's Parish for the last fourteen years as a teacher in St Patrick's school, Parish Secretary, Director of Music and now recently personal assistant to Canon Gregory. Tracy is leaving St Patrick's this Friday to take up a new position in April as an assistant to the C.E.O of Buckfast Abbey. Canon Gregory's loss is Abbot David's gain!! We THANK Tracy for the Wonderful work she has done over the years in her many different roles in the Parish.

PODCASTS

The Parish clergy have recorded 3-minute Podcasts for each day of Lent. You can access the Podcasts by going on to our Website, YouTube, Facebook and Instagram page.

JESUS YOUTH

Prayer meetings each Friday from 7.00pm – 9pm in Church. During Lent confessions are heard at 7.20pm after the Stations of the Cross.

FRIDAY SOUP LUNCHES FOR CAFOD

Friday Soup Lunches take place in the Shore Gallery at 12:30pm after Midday Mass. £6 donation. Menu – Homemade soup/ Cheese/ Breadbasket/ Fruit / Tea & Coffee.

All Welcome

OUR LADY UNTIER OF KNOTS PRAESIDIUM – LEGION OF MARY – ST PATRICK'S ACIES

ACIES is a Church function which is held annually around the Feast of the Annunciation, which is 25th March, for the members of the Legionary to renew their consecration to Mary. You are invited to this Acies celebration and become consecrated to Our Lady. **Sunday 23rd March at 2.00pm** in the church. Refreshments afterwards in the Shore Gallery. All welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN

The First Holy Communion children will be presenting the 10.00am Mass on Sunday 30th March. During the Mass the children will be presented with a crucifix. Next Saturday 29th March, Canon Gregory will give a talk to the First Communion Parents.

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to Congratulate Georgina Fihosy, daughter of Rose Adims, who has won a top pharmaceutical award at a ceremony in London's Royal Lancaster Hotel. She was crowned with the Future Leaders title at the event organised by Pharma Fields and open to all pharmaceutical companies. At Novartis UK she has driven initiatives to tackle health inequalities. Georgina, a busy wife and mother of three, also designs African inspired cards under Afro Touch Design, which are are sold by shops including John Lewis and Waterstones. Rose said: "We are all so proud of her and I give God the glory".

CHURCH CLEANERS

We would like to appeal for volunteers for both the Church Cleaning teams on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month. The teams come in after 9am and unfortunately due to 2 team members moving away the 2 teams will need more volunteers to join them. Kindly contact Savia / Parish office for more information and to join. Your support is appreciated to help keep the Parish clean.

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.

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."

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.

LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHEME

Bristol City Council have written to inform residents that this scheme will shortly be implemented.

Councillor Ed Plowden, Chair of the Transport and Connectivity Committee, said: "We are continuing with the trial scheme because we know, from looking at similar initiatives, that they offer many health benefits and make local roads safer for everyone."

The new Bus Gates will have a significant detrimental effect on our lives here in St Patrick's. Blue Badge Holders who live in the area are advised to look for an exemption. We also suggest Blue Badge Holders who are frequent visitors to St Patrick's also look on the website to see if they are eligible for an exemption to the Bus Gates.

SCHOOL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday 28th March, Years 3 and 4 will be presenting 'The Stations of the Cross' for the whole school at 1.30pm. Everyone is Welcome.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Bishop Bosco is Celebrating a Mass in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 17th May at 12noon for families and married couples celebrating anniversaries in 2025. If you are celebrating a special wedding anniversary, please inform Savia in the Parish office as the bishop would like to send you a personal invitation.

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.

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

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.

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 **Pan-African Community.** Next week the **Come & See Group** will be on duty.

A LENT RETREAT DAY

A lent retreat day to reflect upon and experience Reconciliation as the sacrament of Hope. Saturday 5th April, St Bernadette's Catholic Secondary School, Whitchurch. Refreshments from 9.30am, please bring a packed lunch. Ends 3.30pm. Speakers Fr Brendan Callaghan SJ and Margaret & Barry Mizen. We will finish with a Service of Reconciliation and the opportunity for individual confession with Bishop Bosco & priests from around the diocese. To register for the day, click on

https://embracingthemercyofgod.eventbrite.co.uk All welcome.

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 Foley, 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.

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, 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, 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, Mark Kingston-James, Jim Robbins, Andrew Agius.

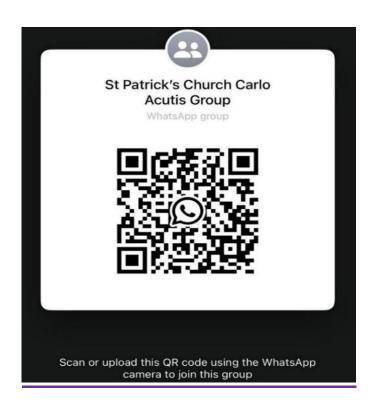
Please inform the parish office when your relative is well again and can be taken off the list

CARLO ACUTIS GROUP

The next meeting is on Sunday 30th March from 7.00pm – 9.00pm in the Brooks Hall. Learn more by accessing information by the QR code.

Barcode can be found in the bulletin to join the WhatsApp group.

Fill a form at the narthex after Mass to register



DIOCESAN CURIA CONFERENCE DAY

Please join us on Saturday, March 29th at St Brendan's Sixth Form College, Bristol, for a day filled with learning, networking and enjoyment. Doors open from 9.30am with pastries and refreshments. The event begins at 9.45 and finishes at 2.30pm

The event is for parishes and volunteers to meet with members of the Curial departments and attend a variety of presentations and workshops. Workshops include Communication and Media, Property Services, Safeguarding, Finance, Schools & Colleges, Human Resources, Cyber Security, Data Protection/GDPR. Please book to attend at:

DiocesanCurialDay.eventbrite.co.uk

BISHOP'S PENITENTIAL SERVICE

The Bishop's Penitential Service is at St Francis, Nailsea, BS48 2LP on Thursday 10th April at 7.00pm. All Welcome.

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. 29/30th March, Missionaries of Mercy.

MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH

SUNDAY 30th MARCH 2025 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT LAETARE SUNDAY

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Elizabeth Magorimbo8.30am Paul Gaiger, Rebecca Beasley-Suffolk

10.00am Jerome & Yetunde Ajakaiye

READERS:

6.30pm Luca Gilardoni, Joanna Deasey

8.30am Ashey Henest, Daniel Beasley-Suffolk

10.00am First Holy Communion Children

BIDDING PRAYERS: Joanna Deasey

WELCOMERS:

6.30pm Alice Ndira, Volunteer

8.30am Eleanor Beasley-Suffolk

10.00am Teresa O'Brien, Jim McCormack

Church Cleaners: Team 4

Tea & Coffee: Pan-African Community

Children's Liturgy: March 30th, April, 13, 20, 27

Join the excitement! Every
Saturday morning, young
football enthusiasts unite from
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM for
thrilling matches, skills training,
and camaraderie!
Our brand-new girls' team
Kicked off on Saturday March









