

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

Bulletin 20th April 2025

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Canon Gregory Grant — Parish Priest

Father Jerome Ajakaiye

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Rev Denis Deasey - 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

HAPPY EASTER

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS
WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 20th APRIL 2025

EASTER SUNDAY

Date		Intention	Donor
Saturday 19 th April HOLY SATURDAY	10.00am 6.30pm (Easter Vigil Mass)	<i>Blessing of the Polish community baskets</i> <i>George Adims (RIP) & Benjamin & Victoria Obi (RIP)</i>	<i>Rose Adims & family</i>
Sunday 20 th April EASTER SUNDAY	8.30am 10.00am	<i>Sick & Housebound</i> <i>1)Smatanova & Spanik families (P /Int)</i> <i>2)Mr & Mrs P.A Baba (RIP) & Angela Krosik (RIP)</i> <i>3)Hannah Curnow</i> <i>First Holy Communion of Elliot Histon</i>	<i>King Family</i> <i>Linda Spillane</i> <i>The Curnow Family</i>
Monday 21 st April EASTER MONDAY	12 noon	<i>Easter Monday Mass</i> <i>Peter Bradley (RIP)</i>	
Tuesday 22 nd April	7.00pm	<i>Sick & Housebound</i>	
Wednesday 23 rd April	9.00am	<i>Dennis and Marie Grant (RIP)</i>	
Thursday 24 th April	9:00pm	<i>John and Rosina Coggins (RIP)</i>	
Friday 25 th April	12noon	<i>Deceased members of parish</i>	
Saturday 26 th April	6.30pm	<i>Phyllis Haynes (RIP)</i>	
Sunday 27 th April	8.30am 10.00am 3.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Sick & Housebound</i> <i>Deceased members of parish</i> <i>DIVINE MERCY SERVICE</i> <i>Brazilian Mass</i>	

CANON GREGORY'S EASTER MESSAGE:

DEAR FRIENDS
ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!!

THIS WAS THE NEW WORD INVENTED BY THE
APOSTLES TO DESCRIBE THE JOY OF THE
RESURRECTION.

ON THIS EASTER SUNDAY WE CONTINUE TO
CELEBRATE THE BIGGEST EVENT IN HUMAN
HISTORY- A MAN JESUS, ROSE FROM THE DEAD!!
TO-DAY WE CELEBRATE THE PROMISE OF A LIFE
AFTER DEATH: ETERNAL LIFE.
JESUS SAID ANYONE WHO EATS MY FLESH
AND DRINKS MY BLOOD WILL LIVE FOREVER
AND I WILL RAISE THEM UP ON THE LAST DAY.

TODAY WE DO NOT JUST CELEBRATE
THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS BUT ALSO OWN
IMMORTALITY.
WE ARE ETERNAL.
MAY THE JOY OF THE RESURRECTION FILL YOU
WITH HOPE
AND GIVE YOU THE EASTER GIFT OF JESUS-
"A PEACE THAT PASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING."

I WISH YOU AND ALL YOUR FAMILY
AND FRIENDS ALLELUIA JOY.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

CANON GREGORY



EASTER WEEK

This week, on Wednesday, we celebrate the feast day of St George, the patron saint of England. Born in the year 280, he was the patron saint of crusaders. Here in St Patrick's, we have a beautiful stained glass window representing St George.

EASTER SUNDAY COMMUNION

ELLIOT HISTON will make his First Holy Communion on Sunday at 10.00 am Mass. Elliot has been receiving instructions each week from Father Jerome and is a member of the Carlos Acutis Group. We wish him every blessing on his special day.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL EVEN WORSE THAN BEFORE- POSTCARDS AVAILABLE

Committee Stage of the assisted suicide Bill has ended. It is now weaker and less safe than it was before. 300+ amendments that sought to strengthen safeguards in the Bill and protect vulnerable groups were rejected by Bill supporters, including protection for people with disabilities and domestic abuse victims. **Please take action now – collect a red and white postcard from the Narthex and fill out your details and post it to your MP today!**

EASTER FLOWERS

The Easter flowers on the altar are donated by the Grant and Gaiger families in memory of their parents:

Dennis and Marie Grant, Muriel and Ken Gaiger, Bet and Sid Gowens
May they rest in Peace

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.

WELCOME PARTICIPATION

This year our Brazilian Community joined in with the traditional Parish Liturgy on Holy Thursday, Easter Vigil and Easter Day 10am Mass.
We look forward to celebrating more of these special Feast Day Liturgies together.

WOMENS GROUP AFTERNOON TEA FUNDRAISER

There will be an Afternoon tea Fundraiser by the Women's group on 11th May in the Shore Gallery. Tickets will be £8 a person, and proceeds will go partially towards our Parish and a good cause.

Last year the Women's group hosted a Bake sale fundraiser that was very successful, and funds were sent to an orphanage in India.

LENTEN ALMS FOR CAFOD

During Lent the four second collections for Cafod amounted to £1,100. The amount donated on the Dona machine for Cafod was £291. The amount made at the Soup Lunches for Cafod was £700. A total of £2,091 will be sent to Cafod. Thank you for all your support.

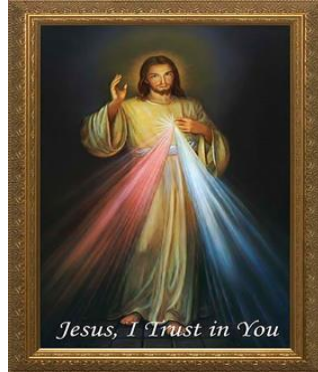
SECOND COLLECTIONS

The second collection for the Shrine of Walsingham came to £120. The second collection for Priests Retirement Fund came to £250.

Thank you for supporting these appeals.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. Please join us for a Holy Hour to venerate the Mercy of Our Lord from 3 pm to 4.15 pm. There will be a Holy Hour, including Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament, The Rosary of The Divine Mercy, Benediction and Hymns. During this hour the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be made available.



We are asked to continually pray the simple words contained in the painting: **“Jesus, I trust in thee”**.

Immediately after the Holy Hour there will be a Complimentary Tea served downstairs in The Shore Gallery

ST PATRICK’S SCHOOL

The Class of Year 2 brought over Easter Cards that they have hand made for our Parishioners for Easter. The Cards will be displayed today during the Easter Services in the narthex for the parishioners to view. We Thank the teachers and the class for their efforts for our parishioners.

The school returns on Monday 22nd April. We hope they all enjoyed the Easter holidays.

EASTER EGG HUNT FUNDRAISER

The School and Parish will be having an Easter Egg hunt fundraiser next Sunday in the Brooks Hall and the field. There will be Refreshments, Cotton Candy, Face Painting, Crafts table in the Brooks Hall and on the field, we will have the Easter Egg hunt.

Free Admission. It will be a fun filled event, and we encourage all our parishioners to join and bring their friends and family along.

CANONISATION OF CARLO ACUTIS

Next weekend, this fifteen-year-old teenager will be declared a saint in a special ceremony in the Vatican. People are traveling from all over the world for this joyful celebration. Canon Gregory, Father Jerome, and Father Rafael are guests of Father

Antonio Marcos and will stay at the Brazilian College. They are looking forward to attending the ceremony.

Carlo Acutis is the patron of our new Sunday group for young adults, and from next Sunday, he will become the group's patron saint. Father Rafael's bishop is travelling from Brazil for the occasion, and Canon Gregory is looking forward to seeing him. Jismon, Hudson and Michael Maimone and his family, Chloe, Daisy, Max and Joe are also traveling for the event. You can learn more about Carlo Acutis on YouTube. We pray this young saint continues to influence the Church and especially young people and help our new group dedicated in his honour to flourish here in Saint Patrick's.

SUMMER FAYRE: 21ST JUNE

The School and the Parish are joining together to promote a Summer Fayre. A fundraising event that is fun for all the family. First, we would like to form a small committee to help organize and promote the event. If you are able to attend over the next few weeks, please come to our first meeting in the Shore Gallery. Date to be confirmed. Please let Savia know if you are able to join the committee.

LEGION OF MARY

The group has their usual weekly meeting this Wednesday at 7:30pm in Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

First Holy Communion classes resume from 26th April 10.00am – 11.30 am in The Shore Gallery.

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, and we **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. **There is NO Tea & Coffee served today.**

WELCOME TO FATHER ALDO

Next Weekend Father Aldo will visit St Patrick's and celebrate the Masses and Divine Mercy Devotions. We thank him for his visit. Father Aldo is a wonderful example of what a priest in his 87th year can still do!!

PARISH CENSUS FORM

We are updating our Parish Census. New forms are available requesting your personal information. Please complete a form as an individual, couple, family or household. Your assistance will help us make the parish more efficient. You may take the form

home with you but if you complete it TODAY while you are in church, it will be a great help. It will take less than 10 minutes of your time.
It is wonderful to see so many people attending Church and the services of the parish will be greatly improved with updated information. All your information is confidential and not circulated outside of the parish office.
Thank you for your cooperation.

PARISH SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

40 societies and activities meet regularly at St Patrick's. Hundreds of parishioners give thousands of voluntary hours to participate in helping these events run smoothly and provide us all with beautiful liturgy and a vibrant community life.
On your census form, you can tick the things in which you are interested, and the organiser of that activity will get in touch with you. Volunteers in every area of parish life are welcome.

JESUS YOUTH

Prayer meetings each Friday from 7.00pm – 9pm in Church.

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.

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."
Unfortunately, there has not yet been any applications for this post so we pray that God will provide some good candidates.

DIOCESAN APPOINTMENT

The diocese is seeking to appoint a Part-Timer RE Advisor for schools. Full details can be found on [working for us / Clifton Diocese](#)

EASTER GIFTS!!!

There is an Easter Egg for all the children, and we hope they don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt next Sunday. For the adults, there is a lovely pictorial review of the last few

months in the parish since Christmas. This was compiled by Father Jerome, and we thank him for putting together this happy reminder of parish life.

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.**

THE JUBILEE ICON IN CLIFTON DIOCESE

To celebrate and commemorate the Jubilee Year 2025, Pilgrims of Hope, an icon was commissioned from iconographer Mulugeta Araya in Ethiopia, for the Catholic Church in England and Wales. The icon interprets Jesus' teaching and liberation in Synagogue in Luke 4:16-21, which refers to Isaiah 61:1-2. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me..."

You are warmly invited to visit, meditate on and pray at the following churches:

28th – 30th April: St John the Evangelist, Bath; **1st and 2nd May:** St Nicholas of Tolentino, Bristol; **3rd May:** Encounter 2025 event; **4th-6th May:** Holy Rood, Swindon ; **7th-9th May:** The Shrine of Our Lady of Glastonbury.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Our eldest parishioner, GRACE STRONG, celebrates her 104th birthday this week. Grace was born in the house she still lives in. It has been her home for 104 years!! Grace was born in 1921 and she was two years old when St Patrick's opened in 1923 and twelve years old when the school opened in 1933. Grace attended the first Mass in St Patrick's Church and the first school day of St Patrick's school.

Grace has one son, David, who is in his 80s. Grace is known as "Apple Pie Grace" because she and her husband Gilbert made 100 apple pies for the summer fete each year!

We wish Grace a very happy birthday.

ENCOUNTER

Encounter is a 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

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE.

Please pray for the following recorded in the month of April.

Mary Pickering, Barton Family, Monsignor William Dillon, Ronald Keetch, Catherine Bennett, Jack & Win Sullivan, Marion Burns, Ellen Organ, Mary Theobald, Frederick Lloyd, Cecelia Commons, Frances & Lilian McDonnell, Edward Packer, Jimmy Hennessy, Helen Turner, Patricia O'Connor, Douglas Brumby, Will & Marie Howie, Cyril & Pauline Hope, Elsie Shaw, Madge Grant, Clarice & Harry Brumby, Margaret

King, Windell Medley, Anne Speirs, May Joyce-Cawley, Richard Whelan, Trevor Howell, Christopher Blackford, Joan Hennessey, George Beacham, Karl Mullen, Rosemary McGregor, Audrey Margaret Speirs

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 Nykolyszyn, Philip Green, David Griffiths, Peter Wahinya, Irene Agidee, Don Keys Massey, Liz Coventry, Janet Smart, Tony Gilmurray, Andrew Dobbins, Gabby Sisby, 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, Aoife Shelley, Andy Gray.

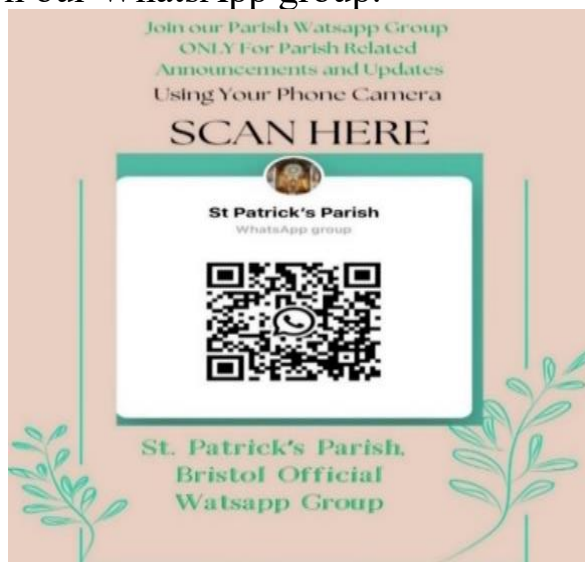
Please inform the parish office when your relative is well again and can be taken off the list

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| 1. First Confessions | 24 th May 2025 |
| 2. First Holy Communion | 14 th June 2025 |
| 3. Summer Fayre (School & Parish) | 21 st June 2025 |
| 4. Brazilian June Party | 28 th June 2025 |
| 5. Mrs Michelle Marshall's Thanksgiving | 6 th July 2025 |

PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP

We have a parish WhatsApp Group solely **for information and updates ONLY**. Scan the QR code below or on the advert on the notice board and link yourself to any news and updates regarding the parish. The parishioners are encouraged to join. There are currently 111 members on our WhatsApp group.



CARLO ACUTIS GROUP

The next meeting is on 4th of May, Sunday from 7.00pm – 9.00pm in the Brooks Hall.
There are currently 50 members in the WhatsApp group.

Scan Barcode to join Carlo Acutis WhatsApp Group.



MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH

SUNDAY 27th APRIL 2025

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

6.30pm Deacon Denis, Joanna Deasey
8.30am Paul Gaiger, Bridget Hemmings
10.00am Deacon Rob, Chris Boateng

READERS:

6.30pm Colin Gale, Molline Nderemani
8.30am Ashy Henest, Helen Jones
10.00am Yetunde Ajakaiye, John Bradley

BIDDING PRAYERS: Helen Jones

WELCOMERS:

6.30pm Volunteer, Volunteer
8.30am Eleanor Beasley-Suffolk
10.00am Teresa O'Brien, Jim McCormack

Church Cleaners:

Team 1

Tea & Coffee:

No Tea & Coffee (Easter Egg Hunt)

Children's Liturgy:

27th April

ST PATRICK'S PARISH & ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL PTA

EASTER EGG HUNT



EGG HUNTING
REFRESHMENTS
CRAFT CORNER
FACE PAINTING
CANDY FLOSS
POP CORN
ICE CREAM

SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH
11:00 AM - 1:00PM

**THE FIELD & BROOKS HALL AT ST PATRICK'S CHURCH,
REDFIELD, BRISTOL BS5 9PF**

FREE ADMISSION

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

HOLY HOUR FROM 3 PM TO 4.15 PM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AVAILABLE

COMPLIMENTARY TEA WILL BE SERVED IN THE SHORE
GALLERY AFTER THE SERVICE