

## **ST PATRICK'S CHURCH**

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### **Confessions: (In the Chapel of the Resurrection)**

9.45am - 10.00am Monday to Thursday. 6.00pm on Saturday

### **Mass Intentions for Week Commencing Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

#### **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sunday of the Word of God**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Intention</b>	<b>Donor</b>
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	6.30pm	Steve Jackson (RIP) Agata Page (RIP)	Sharon King
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	8.30am		
	10.00am	(1) Debbie Redfern (P/Int) (2) Neville Bradbury (RIP)	Sharon King Christine Latham
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	9.15am		
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	7.30pm		
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	9.15am	School Mass Reception, Years 1&2	
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	9.15am		
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	12 noon		
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	6.30pm		
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	8.30am	(1) Marie Howie 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (2) V C Joseph 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (RIP)	Christine Howie George Kalathara
	10.00am	(1) K J Jose (RIP)	Joby Jose
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	

### **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Today is Sunday of the Word of God, a day instituted by Pope Francis to celebrate and study the Word of God.

Today is also the feast day of the Conversion of St Paul on the road to Damascus. His great message to the world is: "You are saved entirely by God". His conversion, from being a fierce zealot, with a hatred of all Jesus stood for, shows that God is always willing to find us.

### **FAREWELL TO FATHER HENRY**

Next Saturday, 31 January, we say goodbye to Father Henry until his return in August. Thank you to him for being with us over Christmas and the New Year. Canon Gregory is always glad of his company and his cheerful good nature builds up all our spirits in the parish. We wish Father Henry a safe journey home.

### **ROME PILGRIMAGE**

St Joseph's Parish are exploring the idea of a 7-day pilgrimage to Rome in September 2026 (flying from Bristol on Tuesday 22 September and returning on Monday 28 September). At this stage, we're simply gathering the names of those who might be interested to see if it's viable to progress our plans further. Below is an estimated sliding scale of prices per person, sharing accommodation at a 4\* hotel within 30 minutes driving distance from the Vatican including Breakfast and Dinner (*prices do not include air fare*). Final prices will depend on the number of participants.

Minimum 45 People - £898 + airfare

Minimum 40 People - £958 + airfare

Minimum 35 People - £988 + airfare

Minimum 30 People - £1018 + airfare

If you would like to be kept informed as details develop, please register your interest in joining us by emailing [Bristol.stpatrick@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Bristol.stpatrick@cliftondiocese.com) (for the attention of Trish) **by Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2026.**

### **TALKS ON THE FAITH**

The Talks on the Faith have now resumed. The talks are held at 6.30pm on Tuesdays in the Shore Gallery.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

The Bible study programme continues every Friday, (with the exception of the last Friday of each month), from 7.00pm at St. Joseph's Church, Fishponds. A programme is available to view in the Narthex. Please join us for an hour, for a deeper understanding of God's Word, faith enrichment and fellowship. All are welcome.

### **TEA & COFFEE**

Tea & Coffee will be served today and every week after the 10.00am Mass and on every first Sunday of the month after 8.30am Mass. Thank you to all those who serve us. On duty this week are the Polish Community and next week it will be the Pan-African Community.

## **BAPTISMS**

The next Baptismal talk will take place on, **Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00am after the 10.00am Mass.** Parents must attend a talk before their child(ren) can be baptised.

Proof of Catholic Baptism of one parent is required before your child can be Baptised. Also, one Godparent is required to be a Baptised Catholic. Further information, if required, is available from the parish office.

## **LENTEN LUNCHES FOR CAFOD**

Each Friday during Lent, we organise a lunch following the mid-day Mass. Proceeds to CAFOD. We are looking for five volunteers, each week, to:

1. Arrive at 11.30am to set up the Shore Gallery
2. Serve the food and tea and coffee at 12.30. There is no cooking involved (other than warming the soup)
3. Wash up and tidy up
4. Departure time 2pm

The Womens Group has volunteered to do three Fridays – February 20<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup>. If you can be part of a team one week, please sign your name on the list in the Narthex. Anyone over the age of 18 can volunteer to help.

## **MARRIAGE MASS**

The Feast of St Joseph, 19 March 2026, will be the tenth anniversary of Pope Francis' Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* – “On Love in the Family.” To prepare for this anniversary, we invite you from the beginning of National Marriage Week, 7-14 February until 19 March 2026, to reflect on the central role that marriage and family life play in our Church and in wider society. Our diocesan family will be celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on **Saturday, 14 February** (12 noon) and Bishop Bosco is inviting all families to join us to acknowledge the joys and challenges of family life. In addition, we will celebrate those couples with significant anniversaries in 2026. If you are, or know of a couple, celebrating a special anniversary during 2026 please do let us know. You just need to send names to: [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com) with an address so that a personal invitation can be sent out from the bishop. Please include the number of years celebrating. It is always a wonderful Mass at the Cathedral, we look forward to seeing you there.

## **WOMAN'S GROUP**

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm, the Women's Group will be having a talk by Garry Atterton about the Cotton Mills in Barton Hill

## **REST IN PEACE**

**Grace Strong**, the oldest parishioner in St Patrick's, has died aged 104.

Grace was born in the house lived in by her parents off Church Road, Redfield. When she married her husband, Gilbert, she held her wedding party at her home and died peacefully in her sleep there last week. She is survived by her son, David, his wife Joan and their children - Anthony and Annmarie.

Canon Gregory said: "Grace was an integral part of life in St Patrick's. Her family was the first to attend Mass here when the church was built in 1923, she was one of the first pupils at the school when it opened in 1933 and she worked in St Patrick's Charity Shop for 25 years.

Her nickname was 'Apple Pie Grace' because of the hundreds of pies she baked over the years to support Christmas and Summer fairs. She will be remembered with love and affection."

Grace's body will be brought into St Patrick's Church on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 4.30pm. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 11.30am, followed by committal at Westerleigh Woodland Chapel at 1.00pm. May Grace Rest in Peace.

Grace is pictured in Church with singer Daniel O'Donnell, on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the church.



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

Alfred Chojnackie, Maciej Kauczynski, Grace Karimu, Debbie Redfern, Katie Cunningham, Sister Bernie, Laura Birkett, Ian Cleverly, Adam Wright, Peter Wahinya, Irene Agidee, Don Keys Massey, Tony Gilmurray, Andrew Dobbins, Gabby Sislby, Michael Stars, Angie Cortolli, Rosaleen Hourigan, Julie Priddle, Sheila Bicker, Wayne Pollock, Leanna Risdale, Darren Burges, Mark Kingston-James, Andrew Agius, Aoife Shelley, Andy Gray, Theresa Teixeira, Christopher Anstey, Dmytro Nykolyszyn, Akinade Adeniyi, John Kellaher, Maria Smith, Philip Green, John Olver, Martin Comerford, Mark Harrington, Matgorzata Krezalek, Terry Rooker.

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

## **DIOCESAN ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026**

This Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Bosco McDonald with the Catholic Association of Lourdes UK.

### **FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> – FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

Including Airport transfers from Bristol to Birmingham Airport, Flights to Tarbes-Lourdes-Pyrenees Airport, hotel transfers.

Full pilgrimage programme, including visits to the Grotto of the Apparitions, Mass each day, Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, Sacrament of Reconciliation, visits to sites related to St Bernadette, Open air Mass in the Cite-San-Pierre, Water Gesture, Station of the Cross..

Diocesan Day Trip to Bartres (extra charge)

**Please email [lourdes@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:lourdes@cliftondiocese.com) to declare an interest.**

## **WORLD LEPROSY DAY SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026**

Today we mark World Leprosy Day, a time to pray for and stand in solidarity with people affected by Leprosy around the world. We remember the work of the John Bradburne Memorial Society, inspired by John Bradburne, who devoted his life to caring for those with Leprosy at the Muternwa Leprosy Care Centre in Zimbabwe. Please keep the people of Muternwa in your prayers and consider supporting this vital work through prayer, awareness, or donation. [www.johnbradburne.com](http://www.johnbradburne.com) Tel: 07979 187498, Post: JBMS, PO Box 32, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0YB, Email: [info@johnbradburne.com](mailto:info@johnbradburne.com)

## **MISSIO (RED BOXES)**

My thanks (from both Colin and the Clergy) to all the Red Box holders who contributed last year. We raised £685.80, which will be put to good use by Missio for spreading the Gospel around the world and enabling them to undertake various charitable enterprises. Please continue the good work and if anybody would like to have their box emptied, please either hand it to Colin at the Saturday 6.30pm Mass, or leave it at the Parish Office. Colin will return the boxes and leave them on the table in the Narthex.

### **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE.**

Please pray for the following in the month of January:

Mabel O'Connor, Alice Withers, Pat Shore, Edna Whiting, Florence Packer, Edward & Celina Counsell, Paul Andrews, William Fryer, Margaret O'Brien, Olive Wiltshire, Marion Wiltshire, Mary & Owen Gilmurray, Alice & Ernest Edwards, Paul Massey, Rose Donaghy, Michael Rutherford, Iris NykolysHyn, John McCormack, Mavis Wade, James Hiney OBE, Fred Dollin, Mary & Joseph Ryan, Mary McEwan-Gibb, Robert McEwan, Peter Hughes, Bridget & Owen Boyle, Peter Berry, Patrick Power, Fred Withers, Jack Creed, Ted & Mary Green, Lester & Price Families, Bernard Finan, Owen McCague, Mabel Wilson, Christina Albertina, Richard Deasey, Kitty & Nora O'Sullivan, Hannah Taylerson, Stephen Rose, John Barton, Brian McCoy, Stephen & Catherine Butler, Clarice Blackford, Clarice Bendrey, Mary McEwan, Joseph Joseph, Patricia Robbins, Mary Weir, Willie Crawley, Gwen Burns, Father Frank Cama, Jean Power, Louisa Shepherd, Christopher Blackford, James Farrelly, Bill Shepherd, Ellen Gilchrest, Betty Groves, Jenny Rose, Colin Wiltshire, Ron & Elizabeth Grant, Frank Grant, Ray & Pat Marrigle.

### **POPE LEO TWEET**

Compassion and mercy towards those in need are not just a mere individual effort, but are realized in relationship, with a brother or sister in need and with those who care for them. Their foundation is found in relationship with God, who gives us His love.

### **JESUS YOUTH (AGED 13-17)**

Jesus Youth is an international Catholic movement. GenJ (Generation Jesus) is a monthly gathering for Catholic teens (ages 13–17) in the Bristol area. They run events on the first Friday of every month at St Patrick's Catholic Church, an initiative that began in September last year. GenJ is a youth-led missional programme helping young people to grow in prayer, holiness and joyful discipleship through fellowship together with interactive talks, Q&A, praise & worship and fun activities. **The next meeting will be Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February.**

### **LEGION OF MARY OUR LADY UNTIER OF KNOTS**

John Jordan, the President of Clifton Diocese Curia, will address the congregation at the 6.30pm Mass on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January, 8.30am and 10.00am Masses on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026 on the work and mission of the Legion of Mary. All parishioners are warmly invited to stay behind for the brief announcement to learn more about the Legion of Mary and how they can take part in the important ministry of prayer, service and evangelisation.

## **RETROUVAILLE**

Last call for online marriage programme. Does your marriage need some TLC? Need help with communication and trust?

**Retrouvaille** helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships.

Next date: **12th February 2026.**

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