

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

Mass Intentions for Week Commencing Sunday 22nd February 2026

First Sunday of Lent

Date	Time	Intention	Donor
Saturday 21 st February	6.30pm	Harry & Jean Easton (RIP) Tony Walsh RIP (4 th Ann)	Deacon Rob Katie Robson
Sunday 22 nd February	8.30am	Grace Strong RIP	Christine Howie
	10.00am	First Holy Communion Enrolment Mary O'Callaghan (RIP)	Deacon Rob Gerry O'Callaghan
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	
Tuesday 24 th February	7.30pm	Frances Leventhal	
Wednesday 25 th February	9.15am	Lily McDonagh(B/day & Ann)	Filomena McDonagh
Thursday 26 th February	9.15am	Dennis and Marie Grant	
Friday 27 th February	12.00 noon	Paul Bourge	
Saturday 28 th February	6.30pm	Harry and Jean Easton (RIP) Tony Walsh (RIP) – 4th anniversary	Deacon Rob Katie Robson
Sunday 1 st March	8.30am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Maurice Twomey (RIP)	Denis Twomey
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	

POPE LEO TWEET

Throughout the centuries, the Gospel has permeated the structures, standards and ways of acting and thinking of the civilizations it has entered. It has done so not through violent revolution, but through peaceful transformation from within – through conscience and the conversion of hearts.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – Marriage Matters

Today, both Eve and Jesus are tempted to become independent, to turn away from the love of God. In Marriage we can think we have a right to fulfil our own desires without considering our partner, but we need to share these deepest hopes and dreams and be prepared to hear the impact on our loved one and our relationship.

PASTORAL LETTER

This weekend Bishop Bosco has written a pastoral letter to be read at all Masses.

BAPTISMS

Next Sunday Thomas Cuilligan will be baptised. We congratulate his parents and godparents and welcome him into the family of the church.

The next Baptismal talk will take place **on Sunday 8th March 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.

THE SEASON OF LENT

- (1) Each Tuesday in Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm.
- (2) Each Friday evening at 7.00pm, Stations of the Cross will be prayed in Portuguese.

LENTEN LUNCHESS FOR CAFOD 12.30PM

Each Friday during Lent, we organise a lunch following the midday Mass. Proceeds will go to CAFOD. Thank you to all the parishioners who have volunteered to help including the Women's Group, who are very kindly covering 20th February, 6th March and 20th March. Volunteers are please asked to:

1. Arrive at 11.30am to set up the Shore Gallery.
2. Serve the food and tea and coffee at 12.30pm. There is no cooking involved, (other than warming the soup).
3. Wash up and tidy up.
4. Departure time 2.00pm.

Lenten Soup Menu

- Soup and bread
- Fresh Fruit
- Cheese and biscuits
- Tea and coffee
- Cost £7

LENTEN TALKS

Canon Gregory will give three half-hour talks during Lent on the topic “Sin and how to overcome it”. These talks will take place on:

- Tuesday 24th February
- Tuesday 3rd March
- Tuesday 24th March

The talks will follow the 7.30pm Mass in church from 8.00pm – 8.30pm. The talks will be based on the Chaplet Novena of St Michael the Archangel. Free copies of the Chaplet are available in the Narthex.

THE INDIAN COMMUNITY – STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent the Indian Community will be saying the Stations of the Cross , in Indian, after the Lenten Lunches at about 1.15pm if anyone would like to join them.

LENTEN ALMS

The Poor Box next to St Anthony’s Statue will be for donations to CAFOD throughout Lent.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for veneration and prayer on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10.00am to 1.00pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Holy Communion programme started yesterday. The children will be enrolled at the 10.00am Mass this Sunday 22nd February and will receive a special Blessing. The classes continue every Saturday from 10.00am -11.45am during term time.

There will be a talk for the Parents with Canon Gregory in the Shore Gallery on the 21st March 2026.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Friday 17 July 2026. Further information to prepare candidates, will follow shortly.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Next Friday, 27th February, we celebrate Family Fast Day. CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) has sent donation envelopes. Please place your gift for the poor in the envelope and bring to Church over the next two weeks. The second collection on Sunday 1 March is for CAFOD.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

The school reopens on Monday 23rd February following half-term. We hope the staff and pupils have had an enjoyable week.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL - PLACES AVAILABLE!

We are delighted to let you know that we still have places available in several year groups at our school.

With a strong history of academic success, consistently in line with or above the national average, and an excellent reputation for pastoral care, we offer a nurturing environment where every child is known, valued and encouraged to thrive.

Children are welcome to join us mid-year, and we can accept pupils transferring from other schools where there is a space in their year group.

If you would like to find out more or arrange a visit, please contact the school office on **0117 377 2387** or email **office@stp.newmancatholictrust.com**

We would be very pleased to hear from you!

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.

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

The next meeting of Altar Servers will take place on Saturday 28th February from 9.00am – 12.00 noon in the Brooks Hall.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meet in Church every Wednesday at 7.15pm for an hour. If you would like to join us, please come along to find out how we can bring God's love to others in everyday acts of kindness.

MARRIAGE MASS

The Feast of St Joseph, 19th 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, 7th -14th February until 19th March 2026, to reflect on the central role that marriage and family life play in our Church and in wider society.

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

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, Guiseppe 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.

THE RITE OF ELECTION

This ceremony welcomes enquirers of the faith at a formal reception ceremony during which their names are recorded by the Bishop who presides at the ceremony.

It is taking place at Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 21st February at 11.00am. The following enquirers from St Patrick's are taking part in the ceremony:

**Vivienne Richards, Tamas Farago, Beatrice Phiri, Tyler C Phelps and
Carley Luckett**

Please pray for them.

ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

1. Mass with St Patrick's School will be celebrated at 9.15am.
2. There will be a school concert at 1.30pm in Church.
3. There will be a Parish Supper and Social in the Shore Gallery at 7.00pm on Saturday, 14th March 2026.

ST PATRICK'S PARISH SUPPER – SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 2026

There will be a Parish Supper/Social in the Shore Gallery on Saturday, 14th March 2026 at 7.00pm for 40/50 people. The price will be £25.00 per head to include wine, beer and soft drinks. If you would like to attend, please email Bristol.stpatrick@cliftondiocese.com with your name and contact number, and pop into the Parish Office with your payment – **by cash only please** - by Friday 6th March 2026. Please indicate whether a vegetarian option is required. Final numbers must be provided to the caterers one week prior to the event. The menu will be as follows:

Mains

Roast Beef

Roast and Mashed Potatoes

Yorkshire Pudding

Cauliflower Cheese

Mixed Vegetables

Mains

Vegetarian Option

Dessert

Apple Crumble and Custard

KEY SAFE

The church entrance key is kept in a secure key safe next to the entrance to The Shore Gallery. It is used by Church Cleaners, the Parish Office, the Choirs, the Brazilian Community, users of The Shore Gallery and more. Somebody has removed the key for access but not returned it to the key safe. Please check if that someone is you! Please arrange for the key to be returned as a matter of urgency and remember to scramble the code afterwards.

ENCOUNTER – SATURDAY 28th FEBRUARY 2026 – 9.30am to 1pm

Join us for inspiring testimony from Harry Sadd, aged 16, and how he is using social media to evangelise other young people. All welcome. For more information, please email: Encounter@cliftondiocese.com or call Ann 07815 751 556.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

As you may have seen in the media, Lord Falconer and other assisted suicide campaigners are now lobbying MPs to try to use the Parliament Acts to bypass the House of Lords and force the assisted suicide Bill into law in the next Parliamentary session.

Taking this route would be unprecedented and profoundly inappropriate.

It would be the first time ever that the Parliament Acts were used for a Private Members' Bill – and polling published this week confirms that the public does not support this approach.

TAKE ACTION

Assisted suicide pressure group, *Dignity in Dying*, is currently flooding MPs' inboxes with emails urging them to back this attempt to bypass the House of Lords and force this dangerous bill into law.

It is vital that MPs also hear from constituents who do not support this – and that they must oppose it.

Please take action now. Click the button below, it takes 30 seconds to contact your MP, using the *EasyAction tool* we have just launched, and ask them to oppose attempts to force the assisted suicide Bill into law by bypassing the House of Lords.

to <https://righttolife.org.uk/ASCommons2026> (right click and select open hyperlink)

[Act now - Ask your MP to oppose forcing the assisted suicide Bill into law](https://righttolife.org.uk/ASCommons2026)

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Catherine Robinson

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