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Mass Intentions For Week Commencing Sunday, 22nd March 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Date	Time	Intention	Donor
Saturday 21 st March	6.30pm	Catherine Thomas	Blessy Mathew
Sunday 22 nd March	8.30am	Thanksgiving	Concannon Family
	10.00am	Private Intentions	Christine Latham
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	
Tuesday 24 th March	7.00pm	Stations Of The Cross	
	7.30pm	Matthew Hunter (RIP)	
Wednesday 25 th March	9.15am	The Living Rosary Group	Beata
Thursday 26 th March	9.15am	Kathleen – First Year Anniversary	Sister Paula
Friday 27 th March	12.00 noon	Private Intention	
	1.15pm	Stations Of The Cross (Indian Community)	
	2.30pm	Years 3 & 4 Stations of the Cross- Performance in Church	
	7.00pm	Stations Of The Cross (Portuguese)	
Saturday 28 th March	6.30pm	Tom Kavanagh (RIP)	McCarthy Family
Sunday 29 th March PALM SUNDAY	8.30am	Francis Murphy (RIP)	Andy & Maureen Gray
	10.00am	(1) Margaret Nooney (RIP) Birthday Memoriam	Nooney family
		(2) Thanksgiving	Betuker family
		(3) Ratnamala Satwasen Awhad (RIP)	Archana Reginald Chavan
5.30pm	(4) Carol Loughlin (RIP)	McCarthy Family	
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

On Thursday, 25th March, we celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord. Pope Francis declared: “The joy of Salvation began in the daily life of the home of a girl of Nazareth”. The Archangel Gabriel’s greeting to Mary forms the first part of the prayer Hail Mary and he told her “do not be afraid”, the most often repeated message in the Bible. It is a message heeded by Mary in this Mystery, who shows great trust in the Lord even in the face of uncertainty and risk.

POPE LEO TWEET

The Church is a great sign of hope for our times, traversed by so many conflicts and wars. We are a people in which women of men and men of different nationalities, languages, and cultures live together in faith. It is a sign placed in the very heart of humanity, offering a reminder and prophecy of the unity and peace to which God the Father calls all His children.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for **Tom Kavanagh**, who died recently. We pray for his wife, Liz, and all the family. Tom’s funeral will take place on Monday, 30th March at 12.00 noon. May he Rest in Peace.

BAPTISMAL TALKS

The next Baptismal talk will take place on **12th April 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Holy Communion classes continue every Saturday from 10.00am -11.45am during term time.

Today, Sunday, 22nd March, the children will present the liturgy and receive the cross at the 10.00am Mass.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Friday, 17th July 2026. Confirmation talks will take place in May and June each Tuesday evening from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Please complete an application form which is available in the Narthex.

PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND

The second collection after Mass this weekend will be for the Priest’s Retirement fund. Thank you for your generosity.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

The Lord will lead us back together. Ezekiel’s words apply to us when we are going through tough times in our relationship, when intimacy, physical or otherwise, seems impossible. At such times, Jesus weeps for us as He did for Lazarus. He will bring us back together if we ask Him and are willing to be vulnerable enough to explore together the changes we need to make.

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.

OUR LADY UNTIER OF KNOTS PRAESIDIUM – LEGION OF MARY ST PATRICK'S ACIES 2026

Acies is a Church function which is held annually around the Feast of the Annunciation, which is the 25th March, for all members of the Legionary to renew their consecration to Mary. You are invited to this Acies celebration and to become consecrated to Our Lady. This special event will be held today, Sunday, 22nd March at 2.00pm in the church. It will begin with recitation of the Holy Rosary, followed by Mass and vows renewal. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Shore Gallery. All are welcome!

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.

WOMEN'S GROUP - NEXT MEETING

The next Women's Group meeting will take place in the Shore Gallery on Wednesday, 1st April from 7.00pm to 10.00pm.

PAN AFRICAN CHOIR RETREAT

Today, the Pan African choir will be holding their retreat in the Brooks Hall from 11am to 4pm.

THE INDIAN COMMUNITY – STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

LENTEN TALKS

The third talk in this series by Canon Gregory will take place on Tuesday, 24th March at 8.00pm.

LENTEN ALMS

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

LITURGY OF RECONCILIATION

Bishop Bosco is presiding at a service in Christ The King, Thornbury on Tuesday 24th March at 7.00pm. Several priests will be available to hear confessions. All welcome.

DIOCESAN ADULT EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The department has just published its 17th edition of their newsletter. You can access their information and news here [Newsletter-volume-17.pdf](#)

SAVE THE DATE! ST PATRICK'S CHURCH GALA CONCERT – MONDAY, 8TH JUNE 2026

Following a very successful and enjoyable Charity Gala Concert in July this year, Terry Maggs is planning a further event in 2026. **Please save the date – Monday, 8th June 2026** in St Patrick's Church. In the meantime, if you were unable to make this year's concert you can watch the event via this link – [St Patrick's Church Gala Concert 2025](#)

EASTER FAIR INVITATION

The Friends of Polish Scouts warmly invite all St Patrick's parishioners to their Easter Fair today, Sunday, 22nd March in the Narthex. Join us after Mass to browse a wonderful selection of handmade crafts, including:

- Artisan Candles and Cards
- Traditional Home-baked Biscuits
- Hand-crafted Easter Decorations
- All proceeds will go towards supporting our local scout group activities. We look forward to seeing you there and sharing our community spirit.

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!

The school will close for the Easter break on Wednesday, 1st April and return on Monday, 20th April. We hope all staff and students have an enjoyable break.

SIGNATURE SPORTS

Ben Harris will be running his activity and sports scheme during the Easter break; this will take place on the parish field and in the Brooks Hall. For more information, please contact Ben on 07889 943178.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES AT ST JOSEPH'S, FISHPONDS

Mass at St Joseph's is celebrated at 5.00pm on Saturday and 10.00am and 6.00pm on Sunday. Father Jerome celebrates these Masses three weekends a month, and Canon Gregory one weekend a month.

This weekend Father Jerome is at St. Patrick's and Canon Gregory is at St. Joseph's.



RENEWAL CHOIR – FRIDAY, 17TH APRIL 2026 – ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Please join us for an inspiring and uplifting evening with the Renewal Gospel Choir. Tickets are just £10.00 (cash preferred please) and are on sale now! Please see Trish at the Parish Office (Thursday/Friday mornings).

[Renewal Choir – Igniting the Passion Within](#)

THE SEASON OF LENT

- (1) Each Tuesday in Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm at St Patrick's.
- (2) Each Friday lunch time during Lent at approximately 1.15pm, Stations of the Cross will be prayed by the Indian Community at St Patrick's.
- (3) Each Friday evening at 7.00pm, Stations of the Cross will be prayed in Portuguese at St Patrick's.
- (4) Please also check out Father Jerome's daily Lenten Homily/Reflection on the St Joseph's Parish WhatsApp Group and Parish Facebook page [St Joseph's Catholic Church Bristol | Bristol | Facebook](#)

Join the St Joseph's Parish WhatsApp group by scanning the code. This will be an additional platform to share updates, news, events and more.



- Stay Connected
- Stay informed

- (5) 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. The lunches to date have made over £700 for CAFOD. Please keep up your support for this charitable event.

ST JOSEPH'S SPONSORED CROSS CARRY

St Joseph's parishioners are undertaking a Sponsored Cross Carry on Good Friday. They will set off from St Joseph's at around 8.00am calling at St Augustine's in Downend at 9.30am, Our Lady of Lourdes in Kingswood at 11.00am/11.30am and St Patrick's at 12.15pm/12.30pm before returning to St Joseph's. We will ensure they receive a warm welcome and some refreshments ready for the final leg of their journey back to St Joseph's.

SUCCESSFUL CELEBRATION

Thank you to the 60 guests who supported the St. Patrick's Night Supper. The Indian lads danced again, and a great time was had by all. The raffle raised **£500** for parish funds. **Thank you One and All.**

EASTER SERVICES

Sunday, 29th March – 10.00am	Palm Sunday – Procession into church
Tuesday, 31st March <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7.00pm• 7.30pm	Stations of the Cross Mass
Wednesday, 1st April <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 11.00am• 7.00pm	Chrism Mass in Clifton Cathedral St Patrick's School presents Stations of the Cross in Church

The Holy Triduum

Thursday, 2nd April – 7.30pm	Mass of the Last Supper
Friday, 3rd April <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10.00am• 10.45am• 3.00pm	Stations of the Cross Confession Good Friday Service
Saturday, 4th April <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 11.00am• 6.30pm	Blessing of Polish Baskets (<i>Please note the change of time</i>) Easter Vigil
Sunday, 5th April - Easter Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8.30am• 10.00am• 5.30pm	Mass Mass Brazilian Mass

Please remember your donation on Easter Sunday is a personal gift to Canon Gregory.

MISSIO COLLECTION BOXES – MESSAGE FROM COLIN GALE

Thanks to everyone who has handed in a Red Box for emptying, it is much appreciated. Could you please collect your emptied box from the table in the Narthex. Thanks for your continued support. Best wishes, Colin Gale.

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, Philip Green, John Olver, 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 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 Foly, 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 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 & Winifred Simpson, Canon Owen Devanney, Joseph Harrison, Maureen John Ryan.

OFFERTORY ANALYSIS

Each month we will update parishioners on the amounts received. Thank you for your generosity.

2025

	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Total
Standing Orders with Gift Aid	£1,650	£2,015	£2,125	£1,943	£1,606	£1,611	£1,528	£1,518	£1,670	£1,704	£1,719	£1,761	£20,849
Standing Orders no Gift Aid	£250	£300	£352	£288	£288	£263	£303	£298	£323	£428	£351	£353	£3,797
DONA with Gift Aid	£207	£410	£352	£582	£170	£412	£556	£221	£308	£501	£583	£639	£4,941
DONA no Gift Aid	£81	£307	£1,691	£501	£632	£602	£501	£248	£692	£386	£453	£1,073	£7,163
Cash on Plate	£790	£1,004	£1,388	£1,831	£1,685	£1,760	£1,535	£1,778	£1,463	£1,911	£1,916	£869	£17,930
Total	£2,978	£4,036	£5,908	£5,144	£4,380	£4,648	£4,422	£4,063	£2,786	£4,929	£5,022	£4,694	£54,681

2026

	Jan-26	Feb-26	Total
Standing orders with Gift Aid	£1,799	£1,803	£3,602
Standing Orders no Gift Aid	£328	£302	£630
DONA with Gift Aid	£446	£403	£849
DONA no Gift Aid	£637	£578	£1,215
Offertory Plate	£1,294	£1,495	£2,788
Total	£4,504	£4,581	£9,084

Second Collection Analysis

	Jan-26	Feb-26	Total
Donations for parish overdraft	£656	£560	£1,485
CAFOD		£156	£1,253
Total	£656	£716	£2,739

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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