

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, 8th March 2026

Third Sunday of Lent

Date	Time	Intention	Donor
Saturday 7 th March	6.30pm	(1) Jim Brooks (2) Peter Attree (RIP)	Gerard, Helen & Daniel Attree
Sunday 8 th March	8.30am	Frank & Michael Foley (RIP)	Foley family
	10.00am	(1) People of the Parish (2) Emelia and Albinas	Scott Family
	5.30pm	Brazilian Mass	
Tuesday 10 th March	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross	Deacon Rob
	7.30pm	Kath Easton (RIP)	
Wednesday 11 th March	9.15am	Private Intention	
	10.00am – 11.00am	School Confessions	
Thursday 12 th March	9.15am	Private Intention	
Friday 13 th March	12.00 noon	David Speed (RIP)	Maureen Speed
	1.15pm	Stations Of The Cross (Indian Community)	
	7.00pm	Stations Of The Cross (Portuguese)	
Saturday 14 th March	6.30pm		
Sunday 15 th March	8.30am	Tom Kavanagh (RIP)	Loughlin Family And Andy & Maureen Gray
	10.00am	(1) Delia Keary (2) Lena McNama (Anniversary)	Rosie Gilboy Rosie Gilboy
	5.30pm		

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Today, Sunday, is the feast day of St John of God who was born in Portugal in 1495. His work founded the Brothers Hospitallers of Saint John of God who care for the sick as a way of living the Beatitudes of Christ. Today they have hospitals and health care facilities in more than 40 countries. Canon Gregory's friend and a regular visitor to St Patrick's, Fr Aldo Tapparo, trained with the Brothers. Fr Aldo celebrates his golden jubilee as a priest this year.

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.
- Please pray for **Matthew Hunter** who died recently. A close friend of Canon Gregory's and many of St Patrick's parishioners. Matthew and his wife, Clare, were strong supporters of St Patrick's activities. Canon Gregory will preside at Matthew's Requiem Mass at Corpus Christi Church in Weston-Super Mare. May he Rest in Peace.

POPE LEO TWEET

Every path towards conversion begins when we allow the Word of God to touch our hearts and welcome it with a docile spirit. The Lenten journey is a welcome opportunity to heed the voice of the Lord and renew our commitment to follow Christ.

BAPTISMS

On Sunday, 15th March, Emmett Patrick will be baptised by Father Jerome at 1.30pm. We congratulate Emmett's parents and godparents and welcome Emmett into the House of the Lord.

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Holy Communion programme is underway, and the children were enrolled on Sunday, 22nd February when they received 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 Saturday, 21st March 2026, and the children will present the liturgy and receive the cross at the 10.00am Mass on Sunday, 22nd March.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Friday 17 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.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

Find our 'living water'. Jesus' message to the woman at the well reminds us of his first miracle at Cana where He changed water into wine. Today, he promises us "living water when we will never be thirsty again...a spring inside...welling up to eternal life". When His grace is poured into us, into our marriages, it can overflow, strengthening us, reaching out to others.

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.

**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 on 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!

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 Indian Community and next week it will be the Come & See Group.

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.

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 several communities in the parish. 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.

300 CLUB WINNERS – FEBRUARY

Many congratulations to our February winners!

£100	Nora McCarthy
£50	Mary Dineen
£25	Andy Gray

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

Canon Gregory will give three half-hour talks during Lent on the topic “Sin and how to overcome it”. The first two talks took place on 24th February and 3rd March, and the last talk will take place on 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.

LENTEN ALMS

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

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 first three lunches have already made over £500 for CAFOD. Please keep up your support for this charitable event.

EASTER SERVICES

Sunday, 29th March – 10.00am	Palm Sunday – Procession into church
Monday, 30th March – 12.00 noon	Requiem Mass for Tom Kavanagh
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">• 10.00am• 6.30pm	Blessing of Polish Baskets 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.

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!

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, 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.

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.



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 after the 10.00am Mass on Sunday or at the Parish Office (Thursday/Friday mornings). [Renewal Choir – Igniting the Passion Within](#)

THE RELICS OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS

The church of St Gregory the Great in Cheltenham is hosting the relics of Saint Carlo Acutis from the 8th to the 10th March 2026. [The Relics of Saint Carlo Acutis to visit St Gregory the Great, Cheltenham in March | Clifton Diocese](#)

Visiting the Relics: In order to cater safely for the large numbers of pilgrims likely to come and venerate the Relics, some events are ticketed. If you arrive for the events marked as ticketed without a ticket it is unlikely that you will be able to attend. Between the events, as indicated, the church will be open for all pilgrims to venerate. If you are planning to attend in groups larger than ten, please contact St Gregory's Parish Office, so that they can plan to safely accommodate everyone wishing to attend. Travel details, parking (there is none!) contact details and the full timetable are all available on the Parish website: <https://stgregorys.org.uk/relics/>.

CHARITY DANCE IN AID OF GREAT WESTERN AMBULANCE & SHOUT (Mental Health)

You are warmly invited to a charity dance featuring Glen Flynn from Ireland which will take place on Friday, 20th March at BemmyX (Bedminster Down Ex Service Club), Winford Grove, BS13 7DY. Tickets are £12; doors open from 7.30pm with music from 8.30pm till late!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to Canon Gregory, who will be 75 next Friday, 13th March. We hope he enjoys his annual outing to Cheltenham Races.

HUNGARIAN FOLK DANCE NIGHT

Next Saturday, 14th March, the Hungarian Community are hosting an event in the Brooks Hall. A good number of people turn up for these lively social events. All are welcome.

LITTLE WAY COMMUNITY

Next Saturday, 14th March the Little Way Community meet for prayer and reflection in the Shore Gallery from 12.00 noon to 3.30pm.

BRAZILIAN COMMUNITY PRAYER GROUP

The next meeting will take place from 1.00pm to 4.30pm in the Brooks Hall on Sunday, 15th March. Please contact Camila Perondi for further information.

THE NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH

The National Novena to St Joseph will take place on 10th to 18th March 2026 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Every year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach and for the intentions of all those who support their work. Masses will take place at 10.00am on every day of the Novena except Sunday when Mass will be at 11.00am. These Masses will be available to follow on YouTube via the Mill Hill website: www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena.

The Novena Prayer Booklet is available on request for a suggested donation of £1 per booklet to cover costs. You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or request a Novena prayer booklet. Please write to the Novena Director at 6 Colby Gardens, Maidenhead, SL6 7GZ or email novenamhm@gmail.com

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 7.30pm 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 7.30pm for 40/50 people. The price will be £25.00 per head to include wine, beer and soft drinks.

The attendees list will be closed this weekend and reservations must be paid for by Monday, 9th March at the very latest as we need to provide the caterers with final numbers. If you have yet to pay, please pop into the Parish Office to do so as soon as possible.



W.E.IRISH ST PATRICK'S CELEBRATION – SUNDAY, 15TH MARCH 2026

The poster features a green background with a white and gold logo for 'W.E. IRISH' at the top right. The main title is 'W.E. IRISH FLEADH CHEOIL ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION'. Below the title, it says 'Join us for a joyful celebration of Irish heritage at Trinity Centre! Enjoy live music, cultural workshops, and activities for all ages. With onsite food vendors and a licensed bar, there's something for everyone.' A photograph shows a busy street scene with people and green banners. At the bottom, it lists the date 'SUNDAY 15 MARCH 2026' and the location 'TRINITY CENTRE, BS2 0NW'. Ticket information is provided: 'TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE: ADULTS £12.50 / CHILDREN £5.50 / CONCESSIONS £9.50'. The event runs from 12:00 to 20:00. A QR code is provided for purchasing tickets, along with the website 'WWW.WEIRISH.ORG.UK'.

W.E.IRISH will be hosting their annual St Patrick's Day celebration at the Trinity Centre from 12.00 noon until 8.00pm.

These annual events are always extremely popular. Tickets can be obtained via the website or by scanning the QR code – see the poster for further details.

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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