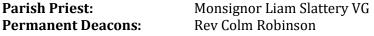


## St Peter's Catholic Church

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

## Mass Times and Intentions for this Week

Sunday 2nd August 2020	5.00pm Church open for Private Prayer		
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.00pm (Sat)	Mass	. ,
Diocesan Prayer Link	9.00am	Mass	9 2
St Dunstan, Somerton	10.30am	Mass	Merle & Stanley Earl <i>RIP</i>
St Joseph, Langport	12.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
Holy Ghost, Yeovil,	5.30pm	Mass	People of the Parish
with South Petherton	-		
Monday 3rd August	8.45am		n open for Private Prayer
Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	Mass	CMBF
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	6.00pm	Exposi	tion of the Blessed Sacrament
St John Mary Vianney	7.00pm	Mass	Patrick Hegarty <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 5th August	11.30am	30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Weekday in Ordinary Time	12.00pm	Mass	World Peace
	12.30pm - 1.30	рт	Church open for Private Prayer
Thursday 6th August	8.45am	Church	n open for Private Prayer
Feast of the Transfiguration	9.30am	Mass	Sean McMahon RIP
	10.00am – 11.0	00am	Church open for Private Prayer
Friday 7th August	8.45am	Church	n open for Private Prayer
Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	Mass	Eileen Dewsnip <i>RIP</i>
	7.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
Saturday 8th August	9.00am	Church	n open for Private Prayer
St Dominic	10.00am	Mass	Lin Harvey Anniversary
	10.45am – 11.1	15am	Confessions
	5.00pm	Church	n open for Private Prayer
	6.00pm		Maureen Faulkner <i>Anniv</i>
	7.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
Sunday 9th August	9.00am	Mass	
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am	Mass	Frank Wasylkiw <i>RIP</i>
	12.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
	5.30pm	Mass	James Peyton <i>RIP</i>

**Parish Office:** The parish office will be open this week for three hours from 10.30am on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Please use the telephone or email for all enquiries and only visit the office if necessary.

Weekly Church Cleaning: Will take place after mass on Monday morning. Just turn up if you can help.

This week: Week 18 in Ordinary Time, Week 2 for the Divine Office.

**Update from Fr Liam:** Last Wednesday, I had an appointment with my oncology consultant to receive the results of the scan I had following the completion of my 12 chemotherapy sessions. The scan has shown that the areas where the cancer was are now clear, thanks be to God. However there is a slight setback in that the scan has shown a hotspot on my spine which is going to need further investigation. I will have an MRI scan on my spine this coming Friday. Rather than speculate as to what this 'hotspot' might be, we will await the results of the MRI scan which should be known in a couple of weeks. So the journey goes on a while more! Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

**Face Coverings:** With the Government announcing last Friday that the wearing of face coverings in places of worship is mandatory from next weekend, all those attending mass or other sacramental or liturgical celebrations in St Peter's will be required to wear a face covering (mask) from next weekend, unless exempt from doing so due to an existing health condition or age.

**Repository:** The religious goods shop at the back of the church will be open after some of the masses from this weekend. Only one person permitted in the shop at any given time.

**Baptisms:** We welcome into the family of the church Marcja Ciereszko and Deon Amarathunga baptised today.

**RIP:** We ask your prayers for those who have died recently:

**Maud Day.** Her funeral mass takes place in St Peter's Church on Thursday August 6<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm followed by burial in Coney Hill Cemetery. Attendance is restricted to immediate family.

**Anne Bishop.** Her funeral service takes place in St Peter's Church on Wednesday August 12<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm followed by committal at Gloucester Crematorium. Attendance is restricted to immediate family and friends. We extend our sympathy to their families.

**Sponsored Cycle:** Mike Honan, a parishioner of English Martyrs Tuffley and the Deanery CAFOD Rep is doing a sponsored cycle from English Martyrs Church to Clifton Cathedral on August 29th to raise funds for CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal. For details see www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mike-honan?

**Daily Live Streaming of Mass from Clifton Cathedral:** Continues each day including Sundays at 9.30am and can be accessed through the diocesan website (cliftondiocese.com) or through churchservices.tv.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Andrea Brushneen, Cheryl Loy, Sharon Williams, Michaele Hercules, Mary Wood, Leonard Slatter, Sue Hartnett, Phil Gammond, Mandi Stokes, Theo Montague, Margaret Coleman, Vera Watson, Patricia Walsh, Cecilia Edwards, Veronica Burke, Janet Diaco, Linda Northway, Rebecca Northway, Ben Wilkinson, Jackie Hutt, Steve Prosser, Kitty Daly, Peter Hagan, Frank Kelly, Mary Philomena Mayo, Marie O'Connor, Baby Monroe Cserna-Ochai, Jennifer Morrissey, Kathleen Neely, Joan O'Connell, Milvia Sepede, Eileen Mary Parsons, Pat O'Ryan, Fr Liam Slattery, Christopher Browne, Margaret Mayell.

**Caution:** Please do not leave personal possessions unattended at any time when in church.

**Prayer Time:** See the table of mass times for additional times when the church will be open for prayer this coming week.

**Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for August:** For all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

**Belmont Abbey:** Is hosting online retreats, details of which can be found on www.belmontabbey.org.uk. The next on Saturday August 8<sup>th</sup> is entitled 'A Chance for Change – Pope Francis' vision for humanity in the wake of the pandemic' and will be led by Dr Austen Ivereigh, a Fellow in Contemporary Church History at Campion Hall, Oxford and described as 'the most astute historian of the pontificate of Pope Francis.'

## Year of Communion - Sunday 2nd August - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

During these long months of this COVID pandemic there has been a great deal of need in our parishes and our communities. There has been illness, fear and sadness. Even though our churches are now open, there are still restrictions on what we can and cannot do. It is still not safe for many people to go out, the virus has not gone way. Central to our readings this week is a clear and simple message – when we are in need God will provide. Jesus took pity on the people, he healed them, and he fed them. He saw their need and he responded with compassion and love. When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion it is so that we are nourished with this same love, this same compassion, this same desire to reach out to the poor, the vulnerable and the needy. As we continue to struggle with the pandemic let us continue to reach out to those who need our care and attention, even if our churches are now open.