



# St Peter's Catholic Church

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## Schools

**St Peter's Catholic Primary School:**

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023

### Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b> <i>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>Diocesan Prayer Link</b> <i>St Gregory the Great/  St Thomas More, Cheltenham</i>	<b>6.00pm (Sat) Mass</b> Karen Matthews <i>RIP</i> <b>9.00am Mass</b> Ethel & James Hickey <i>RIP</i> <b>10.30am Mass</b> Jane Conway <i>Anniv</i> 12.30pm <i>Polish Mass</i> <b>5.30pm Mass</b> People of the Parish
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.10am <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am Mass</b> Veronica Devassy <i>RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.00pm <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>7.00pm Mass</b> For All Migrants & Asylum Seekers
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>12.00pm Mass</b> Celine Duncan <i>RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.10am <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am Mass</b> Deceased Relatives of the Newton Family
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>The Nativity of the  Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.10am <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am Mass</b> Esther Cassidy <i>RIP</i> 7.00pm <i>Polish Mass</i>
<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>St Peter Claver</i>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> Ints of Dr Francisco Ramos 10.45am – 11.30am <i>Confessions</i> 5.00pm – 5.30pm <i>Confessions</i> <b>6.00pm Mass</b> People of the Parish 7.30pm <i>Polish Mass</i>
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>9.00am Mass</b> Sebastiano Desando <i>RIP</i> <b>10.30am Mass</b> Fr Frank Cama <i>Anniv</i> 12.30pm <i>Polish Mass</i> <b>5.30pm Mass</b> Peggy Street <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv</i>

**This Week:** Ordinary Time Week 22, weekday readings Year 1. Daily Prayer of the Church: Week 2.

**Last Weekend:** Attendance – 774      Offertory – £1455.58(including £239.00 online/contactless) Donations – £289.26 (including £282.86 online/contactless, cash donation)

**Church Cleaning:** After the morning mass on Monday, thank you to those who help each week.

**Baptisms:** We welcome into the family of the church Elijah Howarth & Sebastian Longley baptised last weekend.

**Pastoral Letter:** Bishop Declan has issued a pastoral letter to be read at all masses across the diocese this weekend in which he outlines a change happening in our diocese effective September 1<sup>st</sup>. The 13 current deaneries are being replaced by 9 pastoral areas. A map and list of the new pastoral areas can be seen on the noticeboard. Copies of the pastoral letter are available at the back of the church.

**Apostolic Journey:** We hold Pope Francis in our prayer as he makes his Apostolic Journey to Mongolia this weekend. The theme of the Apostolic Journey is 'Hoping Together'. See [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va) for more details.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour:** In St Peter's Church next Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm.

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

**Brenda Coombs.** Funeral Service on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 11.00am at Gloucester Crematorium.

**Pauline Talty.** Funeral Service on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 11.30am at Gloucester Crematorium.

**Elizabeth 'Betty' Mathers.** Funeral Mass on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 1.00pm.

**Publications:** The weekly edition of The Universe (£3.50) is available at the back of the church

**Filipino Family Rosary Crusade 2023:** Will begin on Friday September 8<sup>th</sup> and finish on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November with 71 families taking part this year.

**Journey in Faith (RCIA):** If you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith or in supporting those enquiring, please contact Fr Stephen via [stephen.corrigan@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:stephen.corrigan@cliftondiocese.com)

**Schools:** We pray for all associated with St Peter's Primary School and St Peter's High School and indeed all schools returning to school this week following the summer holidays. May the school year ahead be a time of fruitful teaching and learning in safe and happy school environments.

**First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2024:** Application forms will be available from next weekend.

**200 Club Draw:** Took place on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August by Father Stephen. £200 - Mr Mayell, £100 - Mr J. O'Kane, £50 - Mr T. Higgins and £50 - Mr J. O'Kane.

**Celebration of Marriage:** Bishop Declan will be celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October (12.00 noon) and is inviting all married couples to join him. He will, as always, be sending a personal invitation to those couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries during 2023 or those who will marry during this year. If you are, or know of a couple celebrating 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 65<sup>th</sup>, or 70<sup>th</sup> anniversaries during 2023 please do let the parish office know.

**Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church:** As of Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023, the Ukrainian Greek Catholic community in the UK, including the community at the Good Shepherd Church in Derby Road, will join us in celebrating all fixed feasts in accordance with the Gregorian Calendar. Back in February, the head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk, announced the decision to transition from the Julian Calendar to the 'new style'. This means that feasts such as Christmas, Epiphany and the Annunciation will be marked on the same dates as Western Churches.

**Education Sunday:** (10<sup>th</sup> September) is when we commemorate our predecessors of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, many of whom were living in poverty, who paid for our schools to be built. Our parishioner forebears and their Bishops rightly saw education as the principal means of handing on the faith and improving the spiritual, moral, social and cultural lives of children and young people. Their sacrifices helped re-establish the 2,175 Catholic schools and four universities. Established by the Bishops in 1848, Education Sunday is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in the liturgical calendar of England and Wales. Catholic schools continue to be true to their mission: they educate more pupils from the most deprived backgrounds; outperform national GCSE English and Maths averages by five percentage points; and are more ethnically diverse than other state-funded schools. For this success to continue, however, the help of the whole Catholic community remains essential. As throughout history, all Catholics need to be prepared to support, promote and defend Catholic education. You can do this by becoming a school Foundation governor or Trust Director. Please contact Bill McEntee at Clifton Diocese via [bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com) or on 07710094976 if you would like to be a governor or director. In this way, we can hand on to the next generation the great educational legacy of those poor and immigrant Catholic communities of the Victorian era who built our schools and universities.

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers:** Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Pat O'Ryan, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Joan O'Connell, Sandra Flanagan, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Terri Tyreman, Kitty McMahon, Beth Leeder, Tess Lane, David Murphy, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson, Kitty Daly. In compliance with the requirements of GDPR permission must be sought from an individual (or next of kin) before their name can be added to a list of those who are sick. Do please advise of any changes to be made to this list.