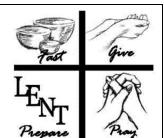


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6th March 2022 First Sunday of Lent (Year C)

| Sunday 6th March | 6.00pm (Sat) | Mass People of the Parish |
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| First Sunday of Lent | 9.00am | Mass Marie Cunningham RIP |
| Diocesan Prayer Link | 10.30am | Mass Wilfred Dickens RIP |
| St Mary, Bath | 12.30pm | Polish Language Mass |
| _ | 5.30pm | Mass Paul Hawketts RIP |
| Monday 7th March | 9.10am | Morning Prayer |
| Weekday of Lent | 9.30am | Mass Special Intention |
| Tuesday 8th March | 7.30am | Mass Joyce Duffy <i>RIP</i> |
| Weekday of Lent | 6.00pm | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| | 7.00pm | Mass In Thanksgiving- Anthony |
| Wednesday 9th March | 11.30am | Stations of the Cross |
| Weekday of Lent | 12.00pm | Mass Mary Ling <i>RIP</i> |
| Thursday 10th March | 9.10am | Morning Prayer |
| Weekday of Lent | 9.30am | Mass Barbara Lyons Anniversary |
| Friday 11th March | 9.10am | Morning Prayer |
| Weekday of Lent | 9.30am | Mass Annamma Joseph RIP |
| | 10.00am | Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday 12th March | 9.30am | Rosary |
| Weekday of Lent | 10.00am | Mass Anthoniyapillai Kothandy <i>Anniv</i> |
| | 10.45am – 11.3 | , |
| | 5.00pm – 5.30p | om Confessions |
| | 6.00pm | Mass Rudolf Dubec RIP |
| | 7.30pm | Polish Language Mass |
| Sunday 13th March | 9.00am | Mass Special Intention |
| Second Sunday of Lent | 10.30am | Mass People of the Parish |
| | 12.30pm | Polish Language Mass |
| | 5.30pm | Mass Jean Davidson RIP |

This Week: Divine Office - Psalter Week 1 and First Week of Lent.

Last Weekend: Mass Attendance – 578 Offertory - £1190.56 (includes £96.35 from contactless payment)

Ukrainian Appeal: There is now a designated Ukrainian Appeal tab on the home page of the parish website giving details of various ways we can support the Ukrainian Relief Appeal. Details are also on the noticeboard. The retiring collection at all masses this weekend will be sent to the relief effort through the DEC.

Lent 2022: The second Lenten talk, based on the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, followed by a time of prayer and reflection, will take place in Church on Thursday on church from 7.00pm-8.30pm. The theme is *Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours, alas for you who are rich, for you are having your consolation now.* The traditional Lenten devotion of the Stations of the Cross will take place on Wednesday 11.30am and on Friday after the morning mass. On the Tuesdays of Lent, there will be an early morning mass at 7.30am.

Daily Lenten Reflections: The Department for Adult Education and Evangelisation has organised a daily reflection series to support people in their Lenten journeys. 40 people generously offered their reflections as a gift to everyone in the diocese. These videos are available to watch each day on the Clifton Diocese Website.

Liturgies of Reconciliation during the Season of Lent: Bishop Declan is to celebrate Liturgies of Reconciliation during the Season of Lent at five venues across the diocese. The nearest to here is on Thursday 24th March at St Gregory, Cheltenham at 7.00pm. Building upon the beautiful gatherings during Lent the bishop is, once again, inviting our diocesan community to gather with him in celebration of God's merciful love as part of our Lenten journey. There will be priests available at each venue to celebrate sacramental reconciliation.

St Peter's Catholic High School: We congratulate all associated with Peter's Catholic High School and Sixth Form Centre on their recent OFSTED Inspection, which resulted in a good grade in all areas. The report can be accessed on the school website.

Baptism: We welcome into the family of the Church Oceana Barry baptised last week.

First Holy Communion: 101 children from our parish began their preparation for their First Holy Communion in 2022 last Friday. Do please keep them, their families and catechists and helpers in your prayer.

CAFOD Family Fast Day: Lent Appeal Every child should grow big and strong. Family Fast Day is Friday 11th March, a day when we eat simply and give generously to support mums around the world, like Amie in Sierra Leone, with expert training in growing and making healthy food. Your small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope and con tributing to the retiring collection next weekend, or by visiting the CAFOD website (cafod.org.uk/lent).

RIP: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:

Maria Aldington. Her funeral mass takes place in St Peter's Church on Friday 25th March at 11.00am. **Ila D'Silva.** Funeral details not yet available.

Living With Covid - Guidance for Bishops Conference: As the Government has now lifted most of the covid-19 restrictions and exhorted all people to adopt the recommendations of the "Covid Response: Living with covid-19" document, the principal means of protecting people who attend Catholic Churches in England and Wales is through participation in the Government vaccination programme. Those who are fully vaccinated (i.e. two routine vaccinations plus booster) will have significant personal resilience against major illness from the covid-19 virus and its variants. It is stressed that any people displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and not participate in acts of worship in church. The following are suggested as methods of good practice against the transmission of the virus in our churches: • Hand sanitiser should be available for all to use at places of entry and exit. • The necessity for social distancing is removed so churches should operate up to their normal capacity figures. • Those who wish to wear a face covering may do so during the celebration of Mass. • Holy Communion is to be distributed to the faithful under one kind only (i.e. the Sacred Host). • General encouragement to wear face coverings while singing. However, it is recognised that not everyone will feel able to do this. • Contact tracing ended on 24th February and so there is no need for track and trace QR code.

The Catholic Post Newspaper: A new monthly catholic newspaper is available at the back of the church, free of charge. Do please take one and let us know what you think,

Open Doors and Aid to the Church in Need: Are hosting a zoom event on 8th March 2022, 11-11.45am: The Forgotten Women – Persecuted Women and Girls from Religious Minorities. Registration details can be found on the ACN website www.acnuk.org, under the Events tab.

St Joseph: Saturday, March 19th is the Solemnity of St Joseph. There will be an hour of prayer and reflection in honour of St Joseph in St Peter's Church at 3.00pm that day. All welcome.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Margaret Coleman, Marie O'Connor, Pat O'Ryan, David Burke, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Joan O'Connell, Breedge Maguire, Eamonn Bohan, Sandra Flanagan, Jean Crickett, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Edna McGinn, Brendan Markey 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.