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Schools

St Peter's Catholic Primary School: Tel: 01452 524792. Web: www.st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk St Peter's Catholic High School & Sixth Form Centre Tel: 01452 520594. Web: www.st-petershigh.gloucs.sch.uk

14th February 2021 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Sunday 14th February	6.00pm (Sat)	Mass	Luke Jones <i>Anniversary</i>
6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Mass	People of the Parish
Diocesan Prayer Link	10.30am	Mass	Irene Redding <i>RIP</i>
St Bonaventure,	12.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
Bishopston, Bristol	5.30pm	Mass	Lise Noakes <i>RIP</i>
Monday 15th February	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	Mass	Pauline Kenny <i>RIP</i>
Tuesday 16th February	6.00pm	Exposi	tion of the Blessed Sacrament
Weekday in Ordinary Time	7.00pm	Mass	Clare Murphy <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 17th February	12.00pm	Mass	Paul Montanaro <i>RIP</i>
Ash Wednesday	6.00pm	Mass	Francesco Baldari <i>RIP</i>
Thursday 18th February	9.10am	Mornii	ng Prayer
Thursday after Ash Wednesday	9.30am	Mass	CMBF
Friday 19th February	9.10am	Mornii	ng Prayer
Friday after Ash Wednesday	9.30am	Mass	Biddy Turner <i>RIP</i>
	7.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
Saturday 20th February	9.30am	Rosary	1
Saturday after Ash Wednesday	10.00am	Mass	Prince Alwin <i>RIP</i>
	10.45am – 11.1	15am	Confessions
	5.00pm – 5.30p	om	Confessions
	6.00pm	Mass	Mary Christie Anniversary
	7.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
Sunday 21st February	9.00am	Mass	Owen Cullen <i>RIP</i>
First Sunday of Lent	10.30am	Mass	Prince Alwin <i>RIP</i>
	12.30pm	Polish	Language Mass
	5.30pm	Mass	People of the Parish

This Week: Ordinary Time week 6. Divine Office - Psalter Week 2 (week 4 with Proper for Lent from Wednesday)

Last Weekend: Offertory: - £584.46 Mass Attendance - 221

Church Cleaning: After morning mass on Monday.

RIP: We ask your prayers for those who have died recently, and whose private funerals will take place in due course. Ted Kennedy, Patrick Bunting, Maria Potente, Maria Gayeta, Sheila Rawlins. We extend our sympathy to their families, relations and friends.

Ash Wednesday: Mass with the Blessing and Distribution of Ashes on Wednesday 17th February at 12noon, and 6.00pm. Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, ashes will be sprinkled on the head of each individual rather that the traditional marking on the forehead. It is essential that those intending to attend either mass book a place by contacting the parish office or though Eventbrite on https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ash-wednesday-mass-tickets-140269757621. The following Lent Publications are available at the back of the church: Lent Extra - £1.50. My Day by Day - 75p. Bible Alive - £3. Diocesan Lenten Prayer Cards are also available at the back of the church. Do please pick up one.

Dare to Dream: Bishop Declan invites each one of us to take time during this coming Lent to reflect on the life of our Diocese as we move forward out of the pandemic. Inspired by the writings of Pope Francis, 'Dare to Dream' encourages us to think about God's invitation to each one of us to shape the future of the Church, particularly in this corner of the world. Each reflection is accompanied by a video which we encourage you to watch before engaging with the scripture offered. This resource can be used by individuals, by families or by already established on-line parish groups. As we move towards Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent, an introductory session will help to orientate us for the weeks ahead. Each session has a similar framework to follow. The reflections and videos will appear on the Diocesan Website under the banner – 'Dare to Dream'. We are encouraged to read the accompanying resource before we set out on this journey through Lent and later onwards to Eastertide. Each new video and reflection will be available on the Friday before each Sunday of Lent. Taking time during Lent will enable all of us to contribute more fully to the conversations that every deanery will be having to discern how we grow our parishes to be places of mission, serving the poor and responding out of our abundance to the needs of the local community and the wider world.

To booking a place for Sunday Masses: visit https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/131622160425. A place may also be booked by contacting the parish office. There is no need to book a place for weekday masses unless directed to do so. Please cancel booking if you are not going to attend. This can be done through Eventbrite or by emailing/calling the parish office.

200 Club: The 200 Club for 2021 is now due. Like last year I will be unable to collect at all Masses. It's still £24 for the year so please either leave at the Presbytery or post to me, Mrs Debbie McQuillan, 13 Massey Road, Gloucester GL14LG. Please make cheques payable to St Peter's 200 club. If you would like to join the 200 Club please contact Debbie on 01452 537189 and I will send you an application form. There is also an option to pay by Direct Debit, this is available to everyone and if you are an existing member and prefer to pay this way, again please call me for a form. Thank you to all for your continued support and helping to raise funds for our parish.

Journey in Faith (RCIA): If you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith or in supporting those enquiring, please contact Fr Liam on liam.slattery@cliftondiocese.com.

Summary of the Holy Father's words at the General Audience last Wednesday February

Dear Brothers and Sisters, in our continuing catechesis on prayer, we now consider how our prayerful dialogue with God is meant to embrace the events of each day, in our homes, daily chores or work. All our thoughts and activities should be a part of our daily conversation with the Lord. The Catechism teaches that "it is in the present that we encounter God, not yesterday or tomorrow, but today" (No. 2659). There is no aspect of our everyday lives, however mundane, that cannot be offered in prayer to God and become an occasion of deeper union with him. As we come to know Christ more intimately in prayer, our hearts are expanded to embrace in love and solidarity all those around us, above all the poor, the unhappy and those in need. Blaise Pascal once observed that human beings are so frail that even a drop of water can destroy us (cf. Thoughts, No. 347). Yet in our fragility, prayer is a mark of our supreme grandeur, for prayer can work miracles in our world, transform lives and history, and serve the coming of God's kingdom of justice and peace.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Deacon David Hebbes, Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Cheryl Loy, Sharon Williams, Michaele Hercules, Leonard Slatter, Sue Hartnett, Phil Gammond, Mandi Stokes, Theo Montague, Margaret Coleman, Patricia Walsh, Cecilia Edwards, Veronica Burke, Janet Diaco, Ben Wilkinson, Jackie Hutt, Steve Prosser, Kitty Daly, Peter Hagan, Frank Kelly, Marie O'Connor, Baby Monroe Cserna-Ochai, Jennifer Morrissey, Kathleen Neely, Joan O'Connell, Eileen Mary Parsons, Pat O'Ryan, Christopher Browne, Margaret Mayell, John Shields, David Burke, Shirley Badham, Margaret Withers, Sharon Scott, Natalia Price, Philomena Gammon.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.