



# St Peter's Catholic Church

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## Schools

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# 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## Seventh Sunday of Easter (Year B)

<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> <b>Diocesan Prayer Link</b> <i>St Gregory the Great/ St Thomas More, Cheltenham</i>	<b>6.00pm</b> <b>Mass</b> Edna Chaytor <i>RIP</i> <b>9.00am</b> <b>Mass</b> People of the Parish <b>10.30am</b> <b>Mass</b> Pagnerette Hector <i>RIP</i> 12.30pm <i>Polish Language Mass</i> 4.30pm <i>Rosary</i> <b>5.30pm</b> <b>Mass</b> Mr & Mrs Paily <i>RIP</i>
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	9.00am <i>Rosary</i> <b>9.30am</b> <b>Mass</b> Ints of Rita Quinn
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	6.00pm <i>Rosary &amp; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>7.00pm</b> <b>Mass</b> Thresia Mathew <i>RIP</i>
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>St Dunstan</i>	11.00am <i>Rosary &amp; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>12.00pm</b> <b>Mass</b> Paul Montanaro <i>RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	9.10am <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am</b> <b>Mass</b> CMBF 10.10am <i>Rosary</i>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	9.10am <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am</b> <b>Mass</b> Samuel (Sammy) Lee <i>Anniversary</i> 10.10am <i>Rosary</i> 7.30pm <i>Polish Language Mass</i>
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	9.30am <i>Rosary</i> <b>10.00am</b> <b>Mass</b> Mrs Patsy O'Donnell <i>RIP</i> 10.45am – 11.15am <i>Confessions</i> 5.00pm – 5.30pm <i>Confessions</i> <b>6.00pm</b> <b>Mass</b> Ints of Phil & Marie O'Connor 7.30pm <i>Polish Language Mass</i>
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b> <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	<b>9.00am</b> <b>Mass</b> Anthony & Trish Fray-Smith 40 <sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary <b>10.30am</b> <b>Mass</b> People of the Parish 12.30pm <i>Polish Language Mass</i> <b>5.30pm</b> <b>Mass</b> Thanksgiving- Eddy & Mary Rose

**This Week:** Seventh week of Easter. Daily Prayer of the Church: Psalter week 3 and Eastertide week 7.

**Last Weekend:** Offertory- £803.22 Mass Attendance – 358

### World Communication Sunday

Today, Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May, we are celebrating World Communications Day for the 55th time. Every year the Holy Father sends a message about it, the theme for the 2021 World Day of Social Communications, chosen by Pope Francis, echoes the words of the Apostle Philip, recognizing that authentic communication leads to “encountering people as and where they are”. Taken from the Bible, John 1: 46, the words “Come and see” are central to the Gospel. Before the Gospel is proclaimed, prior to words, there are “looks, testimonies, experiences, encounters and closeness. In a word – life.” Pope Francis provides the subtitle: “Communicating, encountering people as and where they are”. The full message can be found [Here](#)

**Bishop Declan:** Invites us all to participate in praying a Novena to the Holy Spirit this week Each of the days will focus on a different fruit of the Spirit. You can access the prayer resource for the Novena on the diocesan website: <https://cliftondiocese.com/novena>.

**Dare to Dream:** Continues throughout this Easter Season. See [www.cliftondiocese.com](http://www.cliftondiocese.com) for full details.

**Church Cleaning:** Following morning mass on Monday. Thank you to all those who help each week in cleaning the church.

**Daily Rosary:** The times for this week are as follows: Sunday 4.30pm, Monday 9.00am, Tuesday 6.00pm, Wednesday 11.00am, Thursday after morning mass, Friday after morning mass, Saturday 9.30am.

**Booking a place for Sunday Masses:** It is essential that those attending a Sunday mass book a place by contacting the parish office or visiting <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/131622160425>. If you do not require the place you have booked, do please let us know or cancel it through Eventbrite. Not doing so prevents someone else attending mass. Booking is now open for all Sunday masses up to June 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Church Opening:** The church will be open for private prayer on the following days this week: Wednesday from 9.00am until mass time, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday after morning mass until 1.00pm.

**From St Peter's Primary School:** Mrs Baron writes *‘Thank you so much for your generous donations towards our India Covid Crisis Appeal. Between school and our Gloucester parishes we have raised £1,769.47 This has been shared equally between CAFOD and The British Red Cross who are actively supporting the people of India at this time. Together we are stronger - and this act of kindness has shown how we can all contribute in a little way to make a big difference to our global family.’*

**Gloucester City Mission:** Can accept donations again from 19th May. The following items are needed: Shaving Gel, Razors, Deodorant, Boxer shorts s-m-l (new only please) Trainers, Hoodies, Joggers s-m-l, Men's T shirts s-m-l, Men's shorts s-m-l, Baseball caps, New water bottles. Please can any donation be taken to the Revive Coffee House in the Eastgate Shopping Centre. Donations can be dropped off Weds-Sat 10.30am - 3.30pm or to arrange for delivery please contact the office on 01452 687735, or by email [elaine@glosccitymission.org.uk](mailto:elaine@glosccitymission.org.uk)

### Summary of the Holy Father's words at the General Audience Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our continuing catechesis on Christian prayer, we now consider the traditional theme of “spiritual combat”. The great spiritual masters recognize that prayer is not always easy, for our human nature is frequently distracted or tempted by seemingly more important priorities. The Catechism teaches that prayer, although a free and unmerited gift of God's grace, can be affected by our human experiences of discouragement, sadness or disappointment (cf. No. 2728). Many of the saints in fact experienced long periods of spiritual dryness and even darkness. They teach us that the only response to these temptations is greater perseverance. Saint Ignatius of Loyola uses military imagery to stress the importance of discipline in our efforts to serve under the banner of Christ. Saint Anthony learned from his harsh spiritual battles in the desert that although God may at times seem absent amid these struggles, he remains always at our side. In our daily efforts to persevere in prayer may we trust that our own spiritual combat, like that of Jacob and the angel (cf. *Gen 28:16*), will bear fruit in a deeper and more mature relationship with the Lord.

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers:** Deacon David Hebbes, Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Margaret Coleman, Cecilia Edwards, Marie O'Connor, Pat O'Ryan, David Burke, Margaret Withers, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Paul Hawketts, Joanne Beamish, Kathy Smith. 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. Please contact the parish office with any names you wish to add.