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17th September 2023

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Sunday 17th September <i>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>Sacred Heart, Chew Magna</i> <i>St Pius X, Withywood</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass Patrick Haynes 90 th Birthday 9.00am Mass Jim Hickman <i>RIP</i> 10.30am Mass Marie O'Connor <i>RIP</i> <i>12.30pm Polish Mass</i> 5.30pm Mass People of the Parish
Monday 18th September <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass Theresa Finneran <i>RIP</i> 11.30am Mass Marie Doyle <i>1st Anniv</i>
Tuesday 19th September <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>11.00am Tamil Mass</i> <i>6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.00pm Mass Ints of Dr Francisco Ramos jnr
Wednesday 20th September <i>Ss Andrew Kim-Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang</i>	<i>11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 12.00pm Mass Paul Montanaro <i>RIP</i>
Thursday 21st September <i>St Matthew</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass John O'Sullivan <i>1st Anniv</i>
Friday 22nd September <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion <i>7.00pm Polish Mass</i>
Saturday 23rd September <i>St Pius of Pietrelcina</i>	10.00am Mass M & Mrs Paily Abraham <i>RIP</i> <i>10.45am – 11.30am Confessions</i> <i>5.00pm – 5.30pm Confessions</i> 6.00pm Mass Edward Anthony Crowley <i>RIP</i> <i>7.30pm Polish Mass</i>
Sunday 24th September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am Mass People of the Parish 10.30am Mass Margaret Coleman <i>RIP</i> <i>12.30pm Polish Mass</i> 5.30pm Mass Intention of Sheila Gannon

This Week: Ordinary Time Week 24, weekday readings Year 1. Daily Prayer of the Church: Week 4.

Last Weekend: Attendance – 813 Offertory - £1565.34 (including £294.00 online/contactless) Donations - £96 (online/contactless)

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

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday: In 2013, the first year of his pontificate, Pope Francis released an Apostolic Exhortation on the joy of the Gospel titled *Evangelii Gaudium*. In it, he encouraged the Christian faithful to “embark on a new chapter of evangelisation” marked by this joy, whilst striving to find new paths to proclaim the Gospel in today’s world. This is the challenge and opportunity we take up on Evangelii Gaudium Sunday. Formerly known as Home Mission Sunday, Evangelii Gaudium Sunday is celebrated each year on the Third Sunday in September. The work of encounter and evangelisation is promoted through the Directorate for Mission. Through this directorate, the vision of the Holy Father is embraced in a fuller way and promotes the whole ideal of proclamation, evangelisation, dialogue and catechesis. A key focus of work for the next few years is responding to Pope Francis’ calling of a Jubilee Year in 2025 with the theme Pilgrims of Hope. The Holy Father has invited the whole Church to prepare for the Jubilee in the two years prior through: Reflecting on the four Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council in 2023.

Deepening our prayer life, with a special focus on the Lord’s Prayer, in 2024.

To support the Church in England and Wales in this important initiative the Mission Directorate has produced a series of videos on the four Constitutions which reflect on the Liturgy, the Word of God, the Church and on its role in the modern world. A range of resources are being prepared for the Year of Prayer in 2024. Resources include a course on the Lord’s Prayer for small groups during Lent, which aim to encourage different ways of praying. The Mission Directorate will be supporting the Jubilee co-ordinator appointed by each diocese. There is a retiring collection this weekend to support this vital work of mission. Visit www.cbcew.org.uk

Fr Stephen: Will be on holiday from tomorrow until September 28th, spending some of the time in Italy He will pray for parishioners when in the Vatican. We wish him a happy and restful holiday and a safe journey.

Baptisms: We welcome into the family of the church Andrius Savickas, Lily Parsons, Robin Lines, Oliwia Koziel, Courtney Turner, William Turner, Arthur Turner, baptised last weekend.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2024: Application forms are available at the back of church and online.

SVP: Meet on Tuesday 19th September after the evening mass.

Mass in Tamil Language: In St Peter’s Church on Tuesday September 19th at 11.00am.

We are the People of God: Linking with the first Session of the Synod on Synodality in Rome (October 2023), Clifton Diocese will be exploring the same themes through a series of webinars (7.30-9.00pm) through September & October. For the first session of the series, we are delighted to welcome Bishop John Arnold, on 21 September, who will set our series within the context of the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church – *Lumen Gentium*. Please use the webinar link to register via cliftondiocese.com. Each webinar will be focusing on a different element of the work of the Synod. Parishioners are welcome to sign up for any of the sessions on offer. I would be grateful if you could promote this opportunity this weekend in your parish.

Joy of the Gospel: In partnership with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph, Clifton Diocese is offering a day to explore the ministry of catechesis. As well as celebrating Mass and taking time to pray together. The day we will look at the vocation of the catechist, how to integrate catechesis into the wider Church, the formation of the catechist and how to plan a catechetical session. This rich day of formation is for seasoned catechists, and anyone who feels called to this ministry but might not feel equipped. The date is Saturday 28th October at St John the Baptist, Trowbridge, beginning with prayer at 10.00am, and ending at 4.00pm. Attendees are asked to bring a packed lunch. Sign up for the day via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/668215439367>.

Parish Hall: Work is continuing to enable part of the social centre hall to be available for use for parish meetings and gatherings. It is hoped it will be ready from early/mid October. Updates to follow.

Mass in University of Gloucestershire: If you are a student at the University of Gloucestershire then we would like to invite you to join other Catholic students there for Mass once a month with Fr Stephen Corrigan. Mass on Mondays will be at 12.30pm on October 9th, November 13th and December 11th in the Small Sanctuary at FCH (next to Reception). We are also setting up a Catholic Society for students. If you would like to join email Simon Witcombe (FCH Chaplain) switcombe@glos.ac.uk or text 07715 041525 to join the WhatsApp group. If you are a new student look out for us at the Chaplaincy stall at the Welcome Fayre.

Blessed Carlo Acutis Encountering the Eucharistic Miracles Retreat Day: Prinknash Cafe Meeting Room Saturday 30th September 2023 11.00am - 3.30pm Booking is essential. See poster for details.

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.