



# St Peter's Catholic Church

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## 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>Diocesan Prayer Link</b> <i>St Luke &amp; St Teresa</i> <i>Wincanton</i>	<b>6.00pm (Sat) Mass</b> Paul Montanaro <i>RIP</i> <b>9.00am Mass</b> Prince Allwyn <i>RIP</i> <b>10.30am Mass</b> Paddy Deegan <i>Anniv</i> <i>12.30pm Polish Mass</i> <b>5.30pm Mass</b> Eldho Paily <i>RIP</i>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am Mass</b> Joseph 'Joey' Hughes <i>1<sup>st</sup> Anniv</i>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>7.00pm Mass</b> Iris Chick <i>RIP</i>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b> <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<b>12.00pm Mass</b> Rosemary Henry <i>RIP</i> <b>7.00pm Mass</b> Christopher Winchcombe <i>RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b> <i>Thursday after Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>8.45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am Mass</b> Anice Varkey <i>RIP</i>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Friday after Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>8.45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> <b>9.30am Mass</b> Donald Keatney <i>RIP</i> <i>10.00am Stations of the Cross</i> <i>7.00pm Polish Mass</i>
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>9.30am Rosary</i> <b>10.00am Mass</b> Ints of Sheila Jones <i>10.45am – 11.30am Confessions</i> <i>5.00pm – 5.30pm Confessions</i> <b>6.00pm Mass</b> Mary Christie <i>RIP</i> <i>7.30pm Polish Language Mass</i>
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	<b>9.00am Mass</b> People of the Parish <b>10.30am Mass</b> Taylor Family <i>12.30pm Polish Mass</i> <b>5.30pm Mass</b> Francisco Baldari <i>RIP</i>

**This Week:** Monday & Tuesday - Ordinary Time Week 7 with Prayer of the Church from Psalter Week 3.  
 Wednesday onwards – Lent with Prayer of the Church from Psalter Week 4.

**Last Weekend:** Attendance – 751. Offertory - £1554.99 (£279.00 contactless/online). Donations: £768.77 (John Joe Crowley £620; Contactless - £57; Donation Box - £91.77) CAFOD Turkey/Syria Appeal: £1718.22 (£585.00 contactless/online)

**Church Cleaning:** Mondays after 9.30am mass. Thank you to all volunteers who regularly clean and tidy the church. New volunteers always welcome.

**SVP:** Meet on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February after the evening mass, new members most welcome.

**Lent 2023:** The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mass with the blessing and distribution of ashes at 12noon and 7.00pm. Ash Wednesday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence. **Fasting** is observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed. **Abstinence** is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. On the Thursdays of Lent, beginning on February 23<sup>rd</sup> there will be a time of reflection in St Peter's Church, 7.00pm – 8.00pm, based on the following Sunday readings. Throughout Lent there will be opportunities to participate in the Stations of the Cross and additional times of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A Lenten handout is available at the back of the church giving further details. Various Lenten publications for adults and children are also available. Bishop Declan is to celebrate Liturgies of Reconciliation during the Season of Lent at four venues across the diocese as follows: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March (Sacred Heart, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol), Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March (St Catharine of Alexandria, Frome), Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (St Mary, Swindon), Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March (Our Lady of Lourdes, Weston-Super-Mare). Each Liturgy will start at 7.00pm; except for Sacred Heart, Westbury-on-Trym, which will start at 6.00pm. See noticeboard for details.

**Growing in Faith, Growing in Love:** A Sycamore Video course at St Patrick's, Brockworth on the Wednesdays of lent starting 1<sup>st</sup> March. See noticeboard for details.

**Why did Jesus Die?** John Huntriss will lead three Scripture based Lenten sessions at St Gregory the Great Church, Cheltenham to tell the Passion/Easter story. He will also look at the details we hear/read each year but may have never stopped to consider. The Wednesday evening sessions take place on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm.

**'Journeying through the Desert':** Is an online retreat for Lent with guest speakers from around the country. Each session (February 26<sup>th</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, April 4<sup>th</sup>) will be between 7.00pm – 8.00pm. For more details and to register on the Eventbrite links, please visit [www.cliftondiocese.com](http://www.cliftondiocese.com).

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

**Gabriela Milova.** Funeral service in Gloucester Crematorium Chapel on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 2.00pm followed by burial in Coney Hill Cemetery.

**Patricia Folley.** Funeral service in Gloucester Crematorium Chapel on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00am followed by burial in Coney Hill Cemetery.

**The Clifton Evangelist:** The sixth edition of the Department of Adult Education and Evangelisation Newsletter is now available on the diocesan website.

**World Day of Prayer:** on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, services at St Patrick's Catholic Church, Brockworth at 10.00am & St Oswald's Coney Hill at 10.30am. This year's service has been prepared by Christian women in Taiwan.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Bishop Declan invites parishioners to take part in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Costs include coach transfers from the airport to Lourdes and return. Accommodation in a 3 or 4 star hotel, full board close to the Domain. Hotel Irelande: (3 Star): Single Room: £660.00 or sharing Room (two people sharing) £505.00 per person. Hotel Astrid: (4 star): Single Room: £790.00 or sharing Room: (two people sharing) £575.00. Pilgrims will have to book own flights. Further information: [Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com) or 0117 902 5590.

**Rosary:** The rosary will be said in Tamil in St Peter's Church on Tuesday February 21<sup>st</sup> at 11.00am. All welcome.

**Mobile Phones:** Please ensure that mobile phones are on silent while in church.

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers:** Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Pat O'Ryan, David Burke, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Joan O'Connell, Sandra Flanagan, Jean Crickett, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Terri Tyreman, Kitty McMahon, Beth Leeder, Tess Lane, John Swikolo. 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.