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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 6.00pm, *7.30pm (Polish).*
Sunday: 9.00am, 10.30am, *12.30pm (Polish),* 5.30pm

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturday: 10.45am-11.30am & 5.15pm – 5.45pm

Schools

St Peter's Catholic Primary School.
Tel: 01452 524792. Web: www.st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk
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20th March 2016 – Palm Sunday (Year C)

Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Gospel Acclamation: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.
Preface: The Passion of the Lord **Eucharistic Prayer:** II

Next Sunday – Easter Sunday (Year C)
Acts 10:34. 37-43. Colossians 3:1-4. John 20:1-9.

LAST WEEKEND: Mass Count – 811. Offertory - £1301.62

MASS INTENTIONS: 6.00pm (Sat) (*Paul Montanaro RIP). 7.30pm (Sat) Polish Mass.* Sunday 9.00am *(People of the Parish).* 10.30am *(Wladyslaw Wasylkiw RIP). 12.30pm - Polish Mass.* 5.30pm *(Debbie & David Crowley RIP-Anniversary).* Monday 9.30am *(Barbara Atherton RIP).* Tuesday 7.00pm *(Tony Galvin RIP).* Wednesday 7.00pm (*Ints of Maggie McMahon).* Thursday 7.30pm *(Mass of the Lord's Supper).* Friday 3.00pm (*Liturgy of the Lord's Passion).* Saturday 7.45pm *(Easter Vigil).*

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Tuesday and Wednesday 6.00pm – 7.00pm.

CONFESSIONS IN LENT: In addition to the normal confession times on a Saturday there will also be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) on Wednesday March 23rd 6.00pm – 6.45pm, Good Friday March 25th 12noon – 1.00pm. There is a Lenten Penitential Service with the opportunity for individual confession in Our Lady's Church, Churchdown on Tuesday March 22nd at 7.00pm. **There are no confessions on Holy Saturday**

WASHING OF FEET: Volunteers are required for the washing of feet at the Mass of the Lord's Supper. List at the back of the church.

WATCHING: Do please try and join us for some of the Watching on Holy Thursday following the Mass of the Lord's Supper. Watching will conclude with sung Night Prayer at 10.30pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR FAMILIES: On Good Friday at 10.30am beginning in the Social Centre Hall and ending in the church. Children who would like to read or play a part, are asked to be in the church for a practice at 9.30am on Good Friday.

AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS: Good Friday evening at 6.45pm – 7.30pm. A time to reflect and kneel/sit at the foot of the Cross. All welcome.

GOOD FRIDAY DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE: On this day we unite with the whole Church throughout the world in prayer and fasting. There will be a retiring collection after Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3.00pm for Holy Places and Christians in the Holy Land.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Andrea Brushneen, Alison Blake, Sarah Anderson, Marie Cunningham, Jessie Hall, Cheryl Loy, Norah King, Charlie Slade, Daryl Paris, Hayley Fox, Florence Stephens, John Staley, Rita Lenagan, Lloyd Smith, Sharon Williams, Bridget Johnson, Neil Hillyer, Michaele Hercules, Ann Vaughan, Lal Slattery, Kathleen Sherlock, John Wood, Jean Mercer, Jack & Maureen Lound.

FR GERRY: Is now living in Matson. His address is: St Augustine's Presbytery, 256 Painswick Road, Gloucester GL4 4BS.

EASTER COLLECTION: The Offertory collection at the Easter Vigil and at the Masses on Easter Sunday is your offering to Mgr Liam.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 23RD: Mass, with reception of the Holy Oils, on Wednesday is at 7.00pm. The Holy Oils (Oil of Chrism, Oil of Baptism, Oil of the Sick) to be received are those blessed by Bishop Declan at the Chrism Mass and which will be used in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick throughout the coming year. During the mass Laurie Le-an Workman, who is preparing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, will be presented with a copy of the Lord's Prayer. Do try and join us for this mass as we pray for Lauire.

WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISER: Eileen Padfield, Steve and Jude Canete are hosting an Entertainment Night on Friday April 8th 7.00pm – 10.00pm in St Peter's Social Centre Hall. Live Music (volunteer performers needed), food, raffle, cake sale. More details to follow.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into the family of the church Iweta Srbekova, Lilly Walmsley and Oscar Davies baptised this weekend.

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

Deacon Peter Doran. His funeral mass takes place in St Peter's Anglican Church, Winchcombe at 2:00pm tomorrow, Monday 21st March.

Rachele (Lena) Mora. Her funeral service takes place on Thursday March 24th at 2.00pm followed by committal at Gloucester Crematorium.

Marie Gelvinauskene. Her funeral mass takes place on Tuesday April 5th at 12.00pm. Her burial will take place in Lithuania.

GIFT AID: From 6th April the personal allowance will increase to £11,000.00 per annum. May we remind all parishioners who have signed Gift Aid Declarations to check that they are paying sufficient income tax to cover the amount reclaimed from H M Revenue & Customs on their giving. For any taxpayer who doesn't currently Gift Aid their donation, but would like to, please contact the parish office.

GRANT: Thanks to the Trustees of St Andrew's Conservation Trust for the grant of £2000 towards the refurbishment of the Triptych.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Bishop Declan invites you to join him, 19th-26th August 2016 (Coach and Jumbulance leaving on 18th from St Teresa's, Filton). Further information contact Deacon David Wakefield tel: 07711 834800 or email lourdes@cliftondiocese.com

NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES: The latest edition (Holy Week & Easter) of the Newsletter for Families is now available at the back of the church. Thank you again to the parents of our parish who put this together.

HOLY WEEK 2016

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (March 20th)

Mass with Blessing of Palms
6.00pm (Sat), 9.00am, 10.30am, 5.30pm
Polish Mass 7.30pm (Sat), 12.30pm.

Monday of Holy Week (March 21st)

9.15am: Morning Prayer.
9.30am: Mass.
6.00pm – 8.00pm: Polish Confessions

Tuesday of Holy Week (March 22nd)

6.00pm - 7.00pm: Exposition on the Blessed Sacrament.
7.00pm: Mass

Wednesday of Holy Week (March 23rd)

11.00am: Chrism Mass in Clifton Cathedral
6.00pm: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
6.00pm – 6.45pm: Confessions
7.00pm: Mass with Reception of the Holy Oils

HOLY THURSDAY (March 24th)

7.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper.
Watching until Sung Night Prayer at 10.30pm

GOOD FRIDAY (March 25th)

10.30am: Stations of the Cross for families
12noon – 1.00pm: Confessions
3.00pm: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6.45pm: At the Foot of the Cross – a time to reflect

HOLY SATURDAY (March 26th)

9.00am: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
7.45pm: Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter

Easter Sunday (March 27th)

Easter Day Mass
9.00am, 10.30am, *12.30pm (Polish),* 5.30pm.