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21st January 2024

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sunday of the Word of God

Sunday 21st January <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>St Joseph, Stonehouse</i> <i>Annunciation, Woodchester</i>	6.00pm	Mass Paul Montanaro <i>RIP</i>
	9.00am	Mass People of the Parish
	10.30am	Mass Wilf Bennison <i>RIP</i>
	12.30pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	5.30pm	Mass Godfrey Tilling <i>RIP</i>
Monday 22nd January <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.10am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30am	Mass CMBF
Tuesday 23rd January <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.00pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
	7.00pm	Mass Jimmy Murray <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 24th January <i>St Francis de Sales</i>	11.00am	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
	12.00pm	Mass Anne Hipwell & Family
Thursday 25th January <i>Conversion of St Paul</i>	9.10am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30am	Mass Brendan & Irene Ryan
Friday 26th January <i>Saints Timothy & Titus</i>	12.00pm	Mass Julian Szarek <i>Anniversary</i>
	7.00pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
Saturday 27th January <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	9.30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	10.00am	Mass Ints of Terri Tyreman
	10.45am – 11.30am	<i>Confessions</i>
	5.00pm – 5.30pm	<i>Confessions</i>
	6.00pm	Mass Tom Cullen <i>RIP</i>
Sunday 28th January <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7.30pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	9.00am	Mass Kay Slade <i>RIP</i>
	10.30am	Mass Betty Zegveld <i>RIP</i>
	12.30pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	5.30pm	Mass May Markey <i>RIP</i>

Last Weekend: Offertory - £2040.39 (Inc £710.00 contactless/online) Donations £145.95 (Inc £70.00 contactless/online) Mass Attendance – 848

Church Cleaning: The next church cleaning will take place tomorrow, after the morning mass. Thank you to all volunteers who regularly clean and tidy the church. New volunteers always welcome.

This Week: Prayer of the Church - Psalter Week 3. Please note mass on Friday is at 12.00noon

Sunday of the Word of God: On September 30th, 2019, on the liturgical memorial of St. Jerome, Pope Francis announced that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time would be celebrated as the Sunday of the Word of God.

In the *Introduction to the Lectionary for Mass*, we are reminded of the role of the Word of God in the life of the Church: In the hearing of God's word the Church is built up and grows, and in the signs of the liturgical celebration God's wonderful, past works in the history of salvation are presented anew as mysterious realities. God in turn makes use of the congregation of the faithful that celebrates the Liturgy in order that his word may speed on and be glorified and that his name be exalted among the nations. Whenever, therefore, the Church, gathered by the Holy Spirit for liturgical celebration, announces and proclaims the word of God, she is aware of being a new people in whom the covenant made in the past is perfected and fulfilled. Baptism and confirmation in the Spirit have made all Christ's faithful into messengers of God's word because of the grace of hearing they have received. They must therefore be the bearers of the same word in the Church and in the world, at least by the witness of their lives. The word of God proclaimed in the celebration of God's mysteries does not only address present conditions but looks back to past events and forward to what is yet to come. Thus God's word shows us what we should hope for with such a longing that in this changing world our hearts will be set on the place where our true joys lie (Preamble, 7). Further information on this day can be found on www.fdlc.org.

Pastoral Area Forum: on Saturday 27th January from 11:00am until 3:00pm (coffee from 10:30am) at Saint Patrick's Parish Hall, Brockworth (Saint Patrick's Court, Brockworth, Gloucester GL3 4HL). This is an opportunity for us to come together as our new Pastoral Area of Saint Wulstan and look towards the future. Everyone is welcome. Please let Fr Stephen (stephen.corrigan@cliftondiocese.com) know if you intend being there. Tea and coffee will be available, but please bring a packed lunch.

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal: Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

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

Vincent Moses England. Funeral service on Monday 29th January at 12.00noon at Gloucester Crematorium.

Sean Michael John Duffy. Funeral service on Monday 29th January at 3.30pm at Gloucester Crematorium.

James 'Jimmy' Neely. Funeral mass on Friday 9th February at 11.00am followed by burial at Coney Hill Cemetery.

Baptisms: We welcome into the family of the church, Amarachi Nna and Libby Toms baptised last weekend.

S.V.P: Next meeting Tuesday 23rd January after the evening mass.

Journey in Faith (RCIA): Next meeting is on Thursday January 25th, 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start in the sacristy.

Listening With the Heart Series - Small Group Facilitation: The department of Adult Education and Evangelisation at Clifton Diocese are offering an opportunity for parishioners to develop the skills of small group facilitation in the context of Parish Pastoral Councils, RCIA, Prayer Groups, Lenten Groups, Confirmation Preparation, and any other parish groups. These short sessions will help us to develop an attitude of listening with the heart and sharing with generosity. It will provide participants with a model for rooting decision making in prayer and discernment and the tools necessary for effective facilitation. A session takes place here on Mon 4th March 7.00-9.00pm <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/listening-with-the-heart-tickets-779982788517> If you wish to attend, please register as the session will only run if there are enough participants.

A Day of Prayer & Reflection: St Joseph Prayer & Rosary Group is delighted to welcome Fr Jinsen, Capuchin Friar from Kerala India, as guest speaker for this Padre Pio Retreat Day. Taking place on Saturday 27th January at Prinknash Meeting Room 11.00am - 4.00pm. For more information and to book see poster on church noticeboard.

Get Into Teaching Evening: At St Peter's Catholic High School on Wednesday 24th January at 5.00pm. All interested should register their interest to trainingschool@sphs.uk.com. See noticeboard for details.

Clifton Diocese in partnership with 'Light of Truth': Are offering a Lenten retreat: 'Transformed by Love' in six online sessions, contemplating God's grace at work in the lives of six persons, through scripture and artworks. The six sessions begin at 7.30pm on a Tuesday evening: 20 February, 27 February, 5 March, 12 March, 19 March, 26 March. For parishioners to sign up for the series please visit the diocesan website.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Joan O'Connell, Sandra Flanagan, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Terri Tyreman, David Murphy, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson, Kitty Daly, David McClurg. 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.