

St Peter's Catholic Church

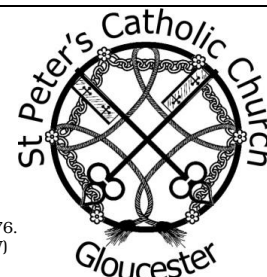
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24th January 2021

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Sunday 24th January <i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>St Joseph- Bridgwater</i> <i>Our Lady & the English Martyrs,</i> <i>Burnham-on-Sea</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass Mac Bourke & Caroline Breen <i>Anniv</i> 9.00am Mass People of the Parish 10.30am Mass Kym Wray <i>RIP</i> <i>12.30pm Polish Language Mass</i> 5.30pm Mass Frederick Leeder <i>RIP</i>
Monday 25th January <i>Conversion of St Paul</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass P J Finn <i>RIP</i>
Tuesday 26th January <i>Saints Timothy & Titus</i>	<i>6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.00pm Mass Bill Cahill <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 27th January <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	12.00pm Mass Robert John Stephens <i>RIP</i>
Thursday 28th January <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass Brendan Markey <i>RIP</i>
Friday 29th January <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.15am Mass Ken Bullingham <i>RIP</i> <i>7.30pm Polish Language Mass</i>
Saturday 30th January <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	<i>9.30am Rosary</i> 10.00am Mass Ints of Janina <i>10.45am – 11.15am Confessions</i> <i>5.00pm – 5.30pm Confessions</i> 6.00pm Mass Lil Scultz <i>RIP</i> <i>7.30pm Polish Language Mass</i>
Sunday 31st January <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am Mass Kathleen Hegarty <i>RIP</i> 10.30am Mass Ints of Angela & Joe Smith <i>12.30pm Polish Language Mass</i> 5.30pm Mass People of the Parish

This Week: Ordinary Time week 3 and Year 1 for readings at weekday mass. Divine Office - Psalter Week 3. Please note mass on Friday is at 9.15am.

Last Weekend: Offertory: - £591.24. Mass Attendance – 168

Church Cleaning: After morning mass on Monday.

COVID-19: Churches are still permitted to be open for the public celebration of Mass. However, just because we can still come to mass doesn't necessarily mean we should continue to do so in the way and frequency we normally do. All masses are live streamed and can be accessed on www.churchservices.tv/gloucester.

Sunday of the Word of God: In his Apostolic Letter *Aperuit Illis* issued on September 30th 2019, Pope Francis declared the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time each year as *Sunday of the Word of God*. At the end of the letter Pope Francis says, *May the Sunday of the Word of God help his people to grow in religious and intimate familiarity with the sacred Scriptures. For as the sacred author taught of old: "This word is very near to you: it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance"*.

New Lectionary for England and Wales: For a number of years the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have been considering the publication of a new edition of the Lectionary to replace that originally published in the year 1969 (second edition 1981). After consultation with a number of English-speaking Conferences of Bishops, the Bishops of England and Wales studied the translation of the Catholic Edition of the English Standard Version (ESV) of the Bible produced by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India. From this text they have produced a Lectionary for the Church in India which has received '*confirmatio*' by the Holy See.

The English Standard Version: Catholic Edition is seen as fulfilling the qualities the Church seeks when considering a translation of scripture namely:

- The evaluation and use of source material;
- Accuracy of translation which conveys the meaning of the biblical authors;
- Dignity and accessibility of language needed for a worthy proclamation of the Word of God.

The Bishops of England and Wales agreed in November 2018 that this text should be the basis for the new edition of the Lectionary to be used in their territory. It is expected that the bishops will complete their approval process in Autumn 2021. The text will then need to be reviewed by the Holy See and others.

The earliest date for publication would therefore be in 2022. For more information visit the news page on the Bishops Conference of England and Wales website, www.cbcew.org.uk.

Live Streaming: In addition to our daily masses and other acts of worship, the following will be available through our live stream only this week: Thursday 6.30pm - A rosary for all NHS, front-line and key workers.

To booking a place for Sunday Masses: visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/131622160425>. A place may also be booked by contacting the parish office. There is no need to book a place for weekday masses unless directed to do so. Please cancel booking if you are not going to attend. This can be done through Eventbrite or by emailing/calling the parish office.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Online Program: For the past 50 years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been offering marriage enrichment programs all around the world. Focused on couples who want to enrich their relationship and gain a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage, it offers a unique experience to explore your relationship at a deeper, more intimate level, regardless of how long you have been together. The next Marriage Encounter Online Experience is scheduled on 30 & 31 January 2021 and there are many other dates over the year – you can find out more and book your place at www.wwme.org.uk or contact us on 0845 260 2016.

Summary of the Holy Father's words at the General Audience last Wednesday, January 20th

Dear Brothers and Sisters, from 18th to 25th January each year, we celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. In these days, all Christ's followers are asked to pray in a particular way to the Father for the gift of unity, in order to proclaim the Gospel to a world torn by conflict and division. Our response to discord and division must first and foremost be to pray for the healing and reconciliation that Christ won for us by his saving Passion. We are called to share in Jesus' own prayer at the Last Supper "that all may be one... so that the world may believe" (*Jn 17:21*) and find salvation. In these troubled times, Christians are called to bear witness to the Lord's reconciling love and persevere along the path to full and visible unity. The theme for this year's Week of Prayer, "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" (*cf. Jn 15:5-9*), reminds us that the love of Christ is the basis of all communion between Christians and the inspiration for our efforts to recognize our rich diversity in the Holy Spirit, to overcome our divisions, and to work together in the service of God's Kingdom of concord, justice and peace

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Deacon David Hebbes, Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Cheryl Loy, Sharon Williams, Michael Hercules, Leonard Slatter, Sue Hartnett, Phil Gammond, Mandi Stokes, Theo Montague, Margaret Coleman, Patricia Walsh, Cecilia Edwards, Veronica Burke, Janet Diaco, Ben Wilkinson, Jackie Hutt, Steve Prosser, Kitty Daly, Peter Hagan, Frank Kelly, Marie O'Connor, Baby Monroe Cserna-Ochai, Jennifer Morrissey, Kathleen Neely, Joan O'Connell, Eileen Mary Parsons, Pat O'Ryan, Christopher Browne, Margaret Mayell, John Shields, David Burke, Shirley Badham, Margaret Withers, Sharon Scott, Natalia Price.