

## St Peter's Catholic Church

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## **Schools**

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## **26<sup>th</sup> February 2023 First Sunday in Lent**

Sunday 26th February	6.00pm (Sat	<b>) Mass</b> Mary Christie <i>RIP</i>
First Sunday in Lent	9.00am	Mass People of the Parish
Diocesan Prayer Link	10.30am	Mass Taylor Family
Religious Communities	12.30pm	Polish Mass
	5.30pm	Mass Francesco Baldari RIP
Monday 27th February	9.10am	Morning Prayer
Weekday of Lent	9.30am	Mass CMBF
Tuesday 28th February	6.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Weekday of Lent	7.00pm	Mass James Cooney RIP
Wednesday 1st March	11.15am	Stations of the Cross
St David	12.00pm	Mass Bridie Cherry RIP
Thursday 2nd March	7.45am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Weekday of Lent	9.10am	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	Mass John Conway RIP
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	7.45am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Weekday of Lent	9.10am	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	<b>Mass</b> Angela Devlin <i>RIP</i>
	10.00am	Stations of the Cross
	7.00pm	Polish Mass
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Rosary
Weekday of Lent	10.00am	Mass Steven Ashcroft RIP
	10.45am – 11	.30am Confessions
	3.00pm	Filipino Monthly Mass
	5.00pm – 5.30	
	6.00pm	<b>Mass</b> Intentions of Tess Lane
	7.30pm	Polish Language Mass
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Mass Reg Keates RIP
Second Sunday of Lent	10.30am	Mass Merle & Stanley Earl RIP
	12.30pm	Polish Mass
	5.30pm	Mass People of the Parish

**This Week:** Lent Week 1 with Prayer of the Church from Psalter Week 1. Stations of the Cross Wednesday at 11.15am and after the morning mass on Friday. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday 6.00pm, Thursday & Friday mornings 7.45am. Lent Reflection Thursday evening 7.00pm-8.00pm.

**Reading John in Lent:** Visit www.cbcew.org.uk to access daily podcasts from the Gospel of St John, taken from the English Standard Version of the Bible.

**Parish Phone Line:** Due to a major BT service outage in this area the parish phone line has been out of order since 17<sup>th</sup> February and is not likely to be connected again until the end of this week. If you need to contact the parish office, please use email if you are able to do so. If your call is urgent there is a call diversion in place. Thank you for your patience with this issue,

**Last Weekend:** Attendance – 747. Offertory - £1699.49 (£281.00 contactless/online). Donations: £84.08 (Contactless - £77; Donation Box - £7.08) CAFOD Turkey/Syria Appeal: £145.00 (£85.00 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.

**Baptisms:** We welcome into the family of the church Isabella Hutchings & Chikamso Anayochi baptised last weekend.

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

**CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 3rd March– Lent Appeal:** This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today at cafod.org.uk/give or in the retiring collection next weekend and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world. Gift Aid envelopes available at the back of church. We are conscious and grateful for the generous response to the recent CAFOD appeal to help the victims of the earthquakes in Syria and Turkey, and so appreciate that it may now be possible for you to support the Lenten Fast Appeal.

**200 Club:** Subscriptions for 2023 are now due. If you would like to join, forms are available from the Repository.

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

**Anna Gaziova.** Funeral service at Gloucester Crematorium Chapel on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 1.00pm followed by burial at 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.

**James 'Jim' Hickman.** Funeral mass on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 2.00pm followed by committal at Gloucester Crematorium.

**Newman Association:** There will be a talk on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts' Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. See noticeboard for details.

**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.

Rosary: The rosary will be said in Tamil in St Peter's Church on Tuesday at 11.00am. All welcome.

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

From the homily of Pope Francis on Ash Wednesday: Lent is the time to remind ourselves who is the Creator and who is the creature. The time to proclaim that God alone is Lord, to drop the pretense of being self-sufficient and the need to put ourselves at the centre of things, to be the top of the class, to think that by our own abilities we can succeed in life and transform the world around us. Now is the favourable time to be converted, to stop looking at ourselves and to start looking into ourselves. How many distractions and trifles distract us from the things that really count! How often do we get caught up in our own wants and needs, lose sight of the heart of the matter, and fail to embrace the true meaning of our lives in this world! Lent is a time of truth, a time to drop the masks we put on each day to appear perfect in the eyes of the world. It is a time, as Jesus said in the Gospel, to reject lies and hypocrisy: not those of others, but of ourselves: We look them in the eye and resist them.

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, David Murphy. 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.