

St Peter's Catholic Church

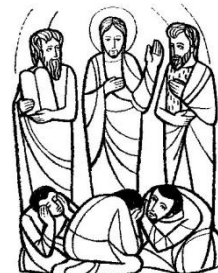
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28th February 2021 Second Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Sunday 28th February <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>St Mary-on-the-Quay, Bristol</i> <i>With St James Priory</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass Joseph Watters RIP
	9.00am Mass People of the Parish
Monday 1st March <i>St David</i>	10.30am Mass Pat Hook RIP
	12.30pm Polish Language Mass
Tuesday 2nd March <i>Weekday of Lent</i>	5.30pm Mass Milvia Sepede RIP
	9.10am Morning Prayer
Wednesday 3rd March <i>Weekday of Lent</i>	9.30am Mass John Conway RIP
	6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 4th March <i>Weekday of Lent</i>	7.00pm Mass Maria Gayeta RIP
	11.30am Stations of the Cross
Friday 5th March <i>Weekday of Lent</i>	12.00pm Mass Paul Montanaro RIP
	9.10am Morning Prayer
Saturday 6th March <i>Weekday of Lent</i>	9.30am Mass Theresa McSorley RIP
	9.10am Morning Prayer
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	9.30am Mass Clare Murphy RIP
	10.00am Stations of the Cross
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	10.45am Confessions
	12.30pm Polish Language Mass
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	5.00pm Confessions
	6.00pm Mass Nerys Tiffney RIP
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	7.30pm Polish Language Mass
	9.30am Rosary
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	10.00am Mass Holy Souls
	10.45am – 11.15am Confessions
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	5.00pm – 5.30pm Confessions
	6.00pm Mass Nerys Tiffney RIP
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	7.30pm Polish Language Mass
	9.00am Mass Prince Alwin RIP
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	10.30am Mass Frances Thompson RIP
	12.30pm Polish Language Mass
Sunday 7th March <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	5.30pm Mass People of the Parish
	5.30pm Mass People of the Parish

This Week: Lent Week 2. Divine Office - Psalter Week 2, Proper for Lent. The following will be available on live stream only this week. Sunday February 28th: Evening Prayer and Benediction at 4.00pm. Wednesday March 3rd: Night Prayer with Lent Reflection at 8.00pm. Friday March 5th: A Lent Reflection for Children at 4.00pm. Sunday March 7th: Stations of the Cross at 4.00pm

Last Weekend: Offertory: - £992.35

Mass Attendance – 278

Church Cleaning: After morning mass on Monday.

RIP: We ask your prayers for Philip McGonagle & Edna Chaytor who died this week, and whose private funerals will take place in due course. We extend our sympathy to their families, relations and friends.

Dare to Dream: Resources for Lent continue to be available on the diocesan website, www.cliftondiocese.com.

Booking a place for Sunday Masses: With the numbers of parishioners returning to mass increasing, it is essential that those intending to attend a Sunday mass book a place by contacting the parish office or visiting <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/131622160425>. We are operating a booking system in order to ensure a safe capacity for those attending. Do please be aware that the obligation to attend Sunday mass remains suspended.

CAFOD Family Fast Day – Friday February 26th: Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at cafod.org.uk/give or donate to the retiring collection this weekend. You can also easily give via text. Text LENT to 70460 to donate £10. (*Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text LENTNOINFO to 70460. For more information please see our Privacy Policy: cafod.org.uk/Legal-information/Privacy-notice*).

200 Club: The 200 Club for 2021 is now due. Like last year I will be unable to collect at all Masses. It's still £24 for the year so please either leave at the Presbytery or post to me, Mrs Debbie McQuillan, 13 Massey Road, Gloucester GL14LG. Please make cheques payable to St Peter's 200 club. If you would like to join the 200 Club please contact Debbie on 01452 537189 and I will send you an application form. There is also an option to pay by Direct Debit, this is available to everyone and if you are an existing member and prefer to pay this way, again please call me for a form. Thank you to all for your continued support and helping to raise funds for our parish.

From the message of Pope Francis for this Season of Lent

In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who "humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (*Phil 2:8*). During this season of conversion, let us renew our *faith*, draw from the "living water" of *hope*, and receive with open hearts the *love* of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ. At the Easter vigil, we will renew our baptismal promises and experience rebirth as new men and women by the working of the Holy Spirit. This Lenten journey, like the entire pilgrimage of the Christian life, is even now illumined by the light of the resurrection, which inspires the thoughts, attitudes and decisions of the followers of Christ. *Fasting, prayer and almsgiving*, as preached by Jesus (cf. *Mt 6:1-18*), enable and express our conversion. The path of poverty and self-denial (*fasting*), concern and loving care for the poor (*almsgiving*), and childlike dialogue with the Father (*prayer*) make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope and effective charity. www.vatican.va

Countdown to COP26 for the Care of Creation: Second week of Lent

Many many people are warning of the fragility of the planet under human pressure and the need for change. We might consider this story in that context.

The parable of the Mustard Seed; Mark 4.30

The mustard seed produces a huge bush that shelters the birds. Life also emerges from tiny beginnings and the whole web of life supports all life, from insects and microbes to animals fish birds and people. What if the tree is shaken, so that branches are broken off, leaves ripped from the branches? This is not in the parable but is what is happening to our world. It no longer provides reliable seasons in many places, and indeed many people are suffering from repeated 'natural disasters' now, attributable to human activity by scientists. How sad this is.

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, 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, Philomena Gammon. Please advice of any changes to this list of names.

Our Diocesan Prayer for Lent 2021

Merciful and compassionate God as we journey through Lent you speak to our hearts, calling us to return again and again. May our prayers, fasting and generous giving bring us closer to your Son, our Lord, Jesus.

Through him, may we come to know more fully the abundance of love which you freely offer us.

Bless our desire to accompany Jesus on his road to Calvary, walking with him in his suffering and in the suffering people of our world. May your grace enable us to live Lent fully so that, with transformed hearts, we may joyfully celebrate the abundance of life offered to us at Easter. Amen.