



# St Peter's Catholic Church

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## Schools

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# 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

## First Sunday of Advent – Year C

<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b> <i>First Sunday of Advent</i> <b>Diocesan Prayer Link</b> <i>St Margaret Mary, Coleford</i> <i>Our Lady of Victories, Cinderford</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent</i>	<b>6.00pm (Sat) Mass</b>	Thanksgiving
	<b>9.00am Mass</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>10.30am Mass</b>	Esterina & Bronyslaw Bril <i>RIP</i>
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	<b>5.30pm Mass</b>	Carol Anne Brennan <i>Anniv</i> & Mary Wright <i>RIP</i>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b> <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	<b>9.10am</b>	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	<b>9.30am Mass</b>	May and Brendan Markey <i>RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b> <i>St Francis Xavier</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
	<b>7.00pm Mass</b>	Deceased McGarr and O'Neill families
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>St Osmund</i>	<b>11.00am</b>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
	<b>12.00pm Mass</b>	Michele Cooper <i>RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	<b>9.10am</b>	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	<b>9.30am Mass</b>	Special Intention (H)
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	<b>9.10am</b>	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	<b>9.30am Mass</b>	Prince Allwyn <i>RIP</i>
	<b>1.30pm</b>	<i>Funeral Mass for Winifred Dunphy</i>
	<b>7.00pm</b>	<i>Polish Mass</i>
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>St Ambrose</i>	<b>9.30am</b>	<i>Rosary</i>
	<b>10.00am Mass</b>	Special Intention (H)
	<b>10.45am-11.30am</b>	<i>Confessions</i>
	<b>3.00pm</b>	<i>Filipino Monthly Mass</i>
	<b>5.00pm – 5.30pm</b>	<i>Confessions</i>
	<b>6.00pm Mass</b>	William Gallagher <i>Anniv</i>
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	<b>9.00am Mass</b>	Teresa Zahara <i>Anniv</i>
	<b>10.30am Mass</b>	Fr Donal Daly <i>RIP</i>
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	<b>5.30pm Mass</b>	People of the Parish

**This Week:** Advent Week 1. Daily Prayer of the Church: Advent 1 and Week 1. Tuesday is the Memorial of St Francis Xavier, Priest; Wednesday the Memorial of St Osmund, Bishop; Saturday the Memorial of St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** on Thursday at 3.00pm in church.

**Advent 2024:** Today is the First Sunday of Advent. The following publications are available at the back of the church: Advent Extra £1.50, Bible Alive £3, Sacred Heart Messenger £1.85, My Day by Day 75p, My Day by Day Junior and Infant for primary school aged children are free. On Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, and an Advent reflection in St Peter's Church, beginning at 4.00pm. On Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a Carol Service in St Peter's Church at 3.30pm followed by mince pies and refreshments. This Season of Advent marks the beginning of a new Liturgical Year, Year C, the Year of St Luke's Gospel. A new edition of the Lectionary, the book which contains the readings which are proclaimed at Mass, will come into use in England and Wales on this the First Sunday of Advent. It will use the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition for the scripture readings and the Psalms and Canticles for the Responsorial Psalms. The new Lectionaries, which have been purchased in memory of the late Mary Hicks from a gift left to St Peter's Parish from her estate, will be blessed during the 6.00pm vigil mass this weekend. A video resource on the new Lectionary is available through: [www.cbcew.org.uk/lectionary-video-resources/](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/lectionary-video-resources/)

**Christmas 2024 Mass Times:**

**Christmas Eve:** 4.00pm, 6.00pm, 10.30pm. **Christmas Day:** 9.00am and 10.45am.

**Polish Mass:** Christmas Eve 8.00pm. Christmas Day 12.30pm

**Last Weekend:** Offertory - £1266.69 (including £337.00 online/contactless). Donations - £1179.98 (including £63.00 online/contactless, £1095.00 Filipino Rosary Crusade) Attendance – 569

**Church Cleaning:** After morning mass on Mondays. New volunteers always welcome.

**Filipino Rosary Crusade:** Thank you to the Filipino Community for the very generous donation to the parish of £1095 given through their annual Family Rosary Crusade.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for December:** We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**SVP:** Next meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.

**Baptism:** Welcome to James Connors and Chizaram Bryan Omwuzuruike baptised last weekend.

**CAFOD World Gifts:** Leaflets available at the back of the church.

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

**Winifred Dunphy.** Funeral Mass in St Peter's Church on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm.

**Jim Tominey.** Funeral service in St Peter's Church on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 11.30am.

**Tess Lane,** who died peacefully last Monday at the age of 103. Her funeral mass takes place in St Peter's Church at 12.30pm on Tuesday December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Safeguarding Update:** Anyone who fulfils a volunteering role within the parish is asked to attend St Peter's Church on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December sometime between 6.30pm-7.30pm to receive a safeguarding update. Please indicate your attendance by emailing [psr.gloucester.stpeter@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:psr.gloucester.stpeter@cliftondiocese.com)

**Samaritans Christmas Carol Concert:** The Gloucester & District Samaritans invite you to join them for their annual Christmas Service and Raffle at St Peter's Church on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30pm. They will be joined by The Salvation Army Songsters and after the concert mince pies and coffee will be served. All are welcome.

**Pied Piper:** There will be no Pied Piper Celebration of Christmas this year. All at Pied Piper wish the parishioners of St Peter's a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

**Missio/Red Mission Boxes:** Please collect your calendars from the back of church. Please feel free to empty your own box if you can and put the money into one of the brown envelopes provided. Otherwise, please bring it to church to be emptied. If you would like to write a cheque, please make it payable to "APF". Any queries please contact me on 07452773330 or email [lucyglos@msn.com](mailto:lucyglos@msn.com)

**St Patrick's Christmas Fayre and Bake-off Competition:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December in St Patrick's Brockworth from 12noon – 3.00pm. Why not enter the Bake-off Competition? Prizes for the tastiest, and best decorated cakes in child & adult categories. Please deliver your finished cake to the Hall between 10.00am -11.30am on the day.

**St Peter's RC High School Choir:** Annual 'Carols by Candlelight' at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Stroud on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Tickets are available from the main school Reception on 01452 520594. Alternatively, please email: [boxoffice@sphs.uk.com](mailto:boxoffice@sphs.uk.com) Adults: £3 Concessions: £1

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers:** Betty Meadows, Andrea Brushneen, Christy & Sue Hartnett, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Sandra Flanagan, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Terri Tyreman, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson, Kitty Daly, Armani Parker, Sam Kirby.