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29th March 2026

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – Year A

Sunday 29th March <i>Palm Sunday</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>St Benet, Kemerton, St Joseph, Tewkesbury, St Nicholas, Winchcombe</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass	Ints of Luke Milliner
	9.00am Mass	Ints of the Hickman Family
	10.30am Mass	People of the Parish
	12.30pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	5.30pm Mass	Jemma Paul 5 th Anniv
Monday 30th March <i>Monday of Holy Week</i>	9.10am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30am Mass	Ints of the Donors
Tuesday 31st March <i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>	6.00pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
	6.00pm-6.40pm	<i>Confessions</i>
	7.00pm Mass	Thanksgiving – Sony Kurian
Wednesday 1st April <i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>	6.00pm Mass	Molly & Joe Searls RIP
	6.45pm-7.30pm	<i>Confessions</i>
Thursday 2nd April <i>Holy (Maundy) Thursday</i>	7.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
	<i>Watching until Night Prayer at 11.50pm</i>	
Friday 3rd April <i>Good Friday</i>	9.30am	<i>Office of Readings & Morning Prayer</i>
	12.00 noon	<i>Family Stations of the Cross</i>
	3.00pm	Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
	7.00pm	<i>At the Foot of the Cross</i>
Saturday 4th April <i>Holy Saturday</i>	9.30am	<i>Office of Readings & Morning Prayer</i>
	9.00pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday 5th April <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9.00am Mass	Larry Montagu Anniversary
	10.30am Mass	Private Intention
	12.30pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	5.30pm Mass	People of the Parish

Last Weekend: *Offertory - £1824.20 (Inc £424.00 contactless/online)*
Donations - £134.00 (Inc £71.00 contactless/online)
Priests' Retirement Fund £1040.60 (Inc £225.00 contactless/online)
Mass Attendance – 993

Church Cleaning: After morning Mass on Monday. New volunteers are always most welcome.

This Week: Lent Week 6. Daily Prayer of the Church Psalter Week 2.

Gift Aid: The new Gift Aid envelopes, with effect from 12th April 2026, are available to collect from the sacristy this weekend

Holy Week begins today with Palm Sunday. This is the most important week of our year. Please particularly consider attending the three principal celebrations of The Sacred Triduum which begins on Thursday evening at 7:30pm with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, continues on Good Friday afternoon at 3:00pm with the Solemn liturgy of the Lord's Passion, with the highpoint of our great Easter Vigil at 9:00pm on Holy Saturday evening. There will be no 6:00pm Mass next Saturday.

Easter Vigil: Our Easter Vigil will begin in the church car park so there will be limited parking there on Saturday evening. During this wonderful celebration we are due to welcome eleven people into the Church through baptism or reception into the Church. The service begins with the Service of Light and the Easter Proclamation, continuing with our feast of nine Biblical readings, the liturgy of Baptism and the Holy Eucharist.

Saint Peter's Mini Vinnies: have made and are selling Easter cards to raise money to help the homeless in Gloucester. The cards are at the back of church, a donation of £1 per card is suggested. Please put your donation in the box on the wall next to the table.

Chrism Mass: Wednesday 1st April at 11.00am in Clifton Cathedral. The coach will be leaving at 9.00am prompt from the layby outside the Architects Building, opposite the church in Bruton Way. Please allow extra time to follow the pedestrian diversion from the church car park. Payment of £8 Adults & £4 Under 16s will be collected on the coach from those who haven't already paid.

Altar Servers: There will be practices for the altar servers for the three principal ceremonies of the Sacred Triduum at 10:30am on Holy Thursday and Good Friday, and at 2:00pm on Holy Saturday.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their 14th year and flesh meat is forbidden. The law of fasting binds those between 18 and 59 years of age (unless a medical condition prevents this), when one main meal and collations are allowed. Also do please remember that since September 2011 every Friday which is not a solemnity is a day of abstinence. There will be a **Family Stations of the Cross** on Good Friday at 12:00 noon. **Holy Places and Christians in the Holy Land** collection at the end of the afternoon liturgy on Good Friday.

Easter Offering: As is customary the collection at the Easter Vigil and at the Masses on Easter Sunday is an offering to Father Gary and to Father Stephen's yearly salary. Collection envelopes are available for those who wish to use them. Contributions can also be made via the parish website and contactless donation plates.

Lectio Divina: Next takes place on Friday 10th April after the morning Mass.

SVP: Next meet on Wednesday 8th April at 6.30pm in the Presbytery.

Saint Peter's High School: Congratulations to Daniel Leiblich, who has been appointed as the new principal for the school from 1st September 2026. We offer our prayers and support as he prepares to take up this position, as well as thanking the current principal, Kevin McDermott, for his contribution to the school and parish.

Baptism Preparation Session: There will be a Baptism Preparation Session in the Parish Hall on Sunday 17th May (2:15pm – 4:00pm). Catholic parents seeking baptism for their children (up to six years of age) are invited to attend. Application forms will be available during the session, as well as reserving dates. These sessions will take place approximately every couple of months.

Clifton Diocese Safeguarding Officer Part-time: 21 hours per week (Wednesday to Friday) The Roman Catholic Diocese of Clifton is committed to safeguarding and this vacancy provides an opportunity for a skilled and experienced professional to join the Safeguarding team at Alexander House, Pennywell Road, Bristol. For further information about this role please visit www.cliftondiocese.com/Diocese/working-for-us or contact Janice Pearson or Tracey Holford, Clifton Diocese on 0117 954 0993. The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 10th April 2026 with the intention of interviewing on Thursday 16th April 2026.

Marriage Support: If you are just in a rut or for more serious issues – Retrouvaille could be the solution. www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

'Now is the Time': a Symposium to explore the teachings of Pope Leo in his Apostolic Exhortation 'Dilexi Te' (Love for the Poor) at Saint Brendan's College, Brislington, on Saturday 30th May. Keynote speakers - Bishop Bosco MacDonald, Sir John Battle KC*SG & Raymond Friel (CSAN). The day starts at 10am (refreshments from 9.30am) and finishes at 4pm. Please bring a packed lunch. You can register on the Eventbrite link: <https://dilexite.eventbrite.co.uk>

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, Michael Casey, Terri and Sean Tyreman, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson, Armani Parker, Sam Kirby, Julie Brooks, Poonam Britto, David McClurg, Sr Veronica Robson, Josie Hedderman, Chris Bianchi, Bruce Ellis. 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.