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Schools

St Peter's Catholic Primary School:	Tel: 01452 524792. Web: www.st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk
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30th November 2025 First Sunday of Advent - Year A

Sunday 30th November <i>1st Sunday of Advent</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>Our Lady, St Mary Glastonbury, Glastonbury</i> <i>St Michael. Shepton Mallet, Our Lady Queen of the</i> <i>Apostles, Cheddar, St Joseph & St Teresa, Wells</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass Julie & Tom Gallagher <i>RIP</i> 9.00am Mass A D Jacob <i>RIP</i> 10.30am Mass People of the Parish 12.30pm Polish Mass 5.30pm Mass Eileen Dewsnip <i>RIP</i> , Mary Ling <i>RIP</i> & Ints of Frances Byrne
Monday 1st December <i>Saint Alexander Briant</i>	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass May Markey <i>Anniv</i>
Tuesday 2nd December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	9.00am Mass Peter Ashcroft <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 3rd December <i>Saint Francis Xavier</i>	11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12.00 noon Mass Michael Kilker <i>RIP</i>
Thursday 4th December <i>Saint Osmund</i>	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass Michele Cooper <i>RIP</i> 11.00am Funeral Mass for Kathleen 'Kate' West <i>RIP</i>
Friday 5th December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass Ints of Deacon Colm Robinson 7.00pm Polish Mass
Saturday 6th December <i>Weekday of Advent</i>	9.30am Rosary 10.00am Mass K K Kuriakose <i>RIP</i> 10.45am – 11.30am Confessions 3.00pm Filipino Monthly Mass 5.00pm – 5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm Mass William Gallagher <i>RIP</i> 7.30pm Polish Mass
Sunday 7th December <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9.00am Mass People of the Parish 10.30am Mass Teresa Zahara <i>RIP</i> 12.30pm Polish Mass 5.30pm Mass Ints of Henry Elliott

Last Weekend: Offertory - £1659.39 (Inc £362.00 contactless/online)
Donations - £152.11 (Inc £133.50 contactless/online)

Mass Attendance – 892

Church Cleaning: After morning Mass on Monday. Thank you to all who help on a regular basis.

This Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent. This is the beginning of the Church's year. Sunday readings are from Year A and weekday readings will be from Year 2. Daily Prayer of the Church: Advent 1 and Week 1. **Please note Mass on Tuesday is at 9.00am.**

Christmas Mass Times: Our Christmas Masses will begin on Wednesday 24th December with Masses at 4:30pm and 6:30pm, and continue with Mass at Midnight (with carols from 11:30pm). On Christmas morning there will be Masses at 9:00am and 10:45am.

Confirmation 2026: will be on Thursday 21st May 2026 at 7:00pm. Completed application forms need to be received by this Monday 1st December. There is an initial meeting for all candidates next Sunday 6th December at 6:45pm in the parish hall.

First Holy Communion 2026: Application forms and timetables are available at the back of the church and on the parish website. Completed forms should be received in the parish office by Monday 15th December 2025.

Congratulations: to David Rider & Rosanna Casuco who were married here last Saturday.

Mission Together Advent Calendars and other Advent resources for primary-school-aged children can be found at <https://missiontogether.org.uk/calendar/advent-resources/>.

On Saturday 13th December one of the processional statues of **Our Lady of Fatima** will be in our church during the morning with various prayers and devotions. There will be more information next weekend. This will include Mass and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the normal times.

Bambinelli: You are invited to bring the Baby Jesus from your Nativity scene to the 9:00am Mass on the third Sunday in Advent, 14th December. Following the Pope's tradition, they will be blessed during Mass.

Publications: The following Advent publications are available at the back of the church: Praying with the Psalms - £2.00, My Day-by-Day 75p, My Day by Day Junior and Infant for primary school aged children are free

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

Kathleen 'Kate' Alice Theresa West, Funeral Mass on Thursday 4th December at 11.00am followed by burial at Coney Hill Cemetery.

Elizabeth Anne Young, Funeral Service on Friday 12th December at 11.00am followed by burial at Coney Hill Cemetery.

RCIA (Journey in Faith) continues this Thursday 4th December from 6.45pm to 8.15pm.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour this Thursday 4th December at 3.00pm. All are welcome.

S.V.P. Giving Tree: Our SVP Giving Tree will be in place this weekend. To donate, please select a gift label from the tree. Next, purchase the required gift & return it to church with the label. Please do not wrap the gift & please only donate brand new items. We are also planning to make up hampers for families at our schools, to help with this please take a hamper label and donate cash (no food items please) either in the SVP box, by St Anthony's statue, or handed into the presbytery in an enveloped marked SVP. All gifts and donations need to be handed in by Sunday 14th December. If you are reading this and feeling anxious about how you are going to provide for your family this Christmas, please speak to Father Gary, in the strictest confidence, the S.V.P. may be able to provide some additional help.

Second Collection next weekend for the poor missions of the diocese

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 this Monday 1st 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.

Saint Peter's High School Choir warmly invites you to their annual 'Carols by Candlelight' at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Stroud, on Friday 12th December at 7.00pm. This will be an uplifting yet reflective sequence of Christmas music and readings, suitable for all the family. Tickets are available from the main school Reception on 01452 520594. Alternatively, please email: boxoffice@sphs.uk.com. Adults: £3 Concessions: £1.

Pope Leo recently answered questions put to him by young people over a wide range of subjects. Please visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tHSWW-c-fHM> for this opportunity for everyone to hear him in English.

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. 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.