

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 7th OCTOBER 2018
TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DAY	TIME	INTENTIONS	DONOR
Saturday	6.30pm	Bruno Toffolo	Wring & Hale Families
Sunday 27th of the year	8.30am	Will Howie (Anniversary)	Christine Howie Pajak & Zapolski Families
	10.00am	Private Intention	
	3.00pm	Polish Mass	
Monday	10.00am	Marie Grant	
Tuesday	5.30 pm	Intercessions for Priests & Religious	
	7.30pm	Peter Bradley	
Wednesday	10.00 am	Sister Bernie (Private Intention)	Rob & Kath
Thursday	12 noon	Albert Thomas	Jan Plenty
Friday	12 noon	Pat & Fred Weaver	Wring & Hale Families
	7.30pm	Portuguese Mass	
Saturday	6.30pm	V C Joseph (RIP)	George Katathara Mandy Curnow
		Patsy McCarthy (Private Intention)	
Sunday 28 th of the Year Prisoners Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish	Jeril Iaiju
	10.00am	Thanksgiving	

Rosary: Half hour before weekday Mass or Communion Service

Confessions: Before all weekend Masses and **on request**

Exposition: Saturday 5.30 pm followed by The Rosary at 5.45 pm

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR It seems that loneliness is one of society's contemporary diseases. More and more people around us today are feeling lonely and alone. The blessing of creation was companionship and Eve was created to be a constant reminder to Adam of the presence of God who is always near to help, to love and to support. And the blessing of the Lord is given, in the gospel, to the little ones – there is no-one excluded from God's nearness or his closeness; no one too insignificant to be touched by the Good News of God's love. To receive a blessing, though, is a challenge to become a blessing for others. Maybe this week sees us being that blessing, that sign of God's nearness to those who are in need. It is not good that we are alone. Others can know God is close to them...through us.

OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY In October we are all encouraged to renew our devotion to the Rosary. The Rosary is prayed each day before Mass. This year a new Rosary Group was started in the parish. It is called **Living Rosary**. The first Living Rosary Group is now well established with 9 families participating. If you are interested in learning more about the Group please sign the list on the table by the entrance door in the narthex.

POLISH MASS This Sunday afternoon at 3.00 pm Father Henry will celebrate Mass in Polish This will be the last Polish Mass of the summer as next Sunday afternoon (14th) Father Henry returns to Poland. We look forward to his next visit.

CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY Last Friday 5th October was Family Fast Day and we were asked to eat less and donate what we could afford to CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) Please put your envelope in the Offertory Basket at all Masses this weekend. There is still time to donate at all Masses next weekend or to the parish office during the week.

REDEVELOPMENT OF ST PATRICK'S OLD CHURCH The old church was sold to The Grant Bradley Charitable Trust for £300,000 and this money was part of the financial plan to pay for the church extensions. This week The Trust is submitting a planning application for the conversion of the church into four houses.

Building will start early next spring and the project should be finished in the autumn of 2019. The plans of the properties are on the notice board. The old church building is not being demolished. This is a conversion project.

LEGION OF MARY Will meet tomorrow, Monday at 7.30 – 8.30 pm in The Shore Gallery

INTERCESSIONS FOR PRIESTS This monthly prayer group meets this Tuesday 9th October from 5.30 - 7.00pm to pray for priests and vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The session commences singing hymns, saying the rosary, and the prayer to the Divine Mercy. Everyone welcome to all or part of the intercessions.

ST PATRICKS WOMENS GROUP This Wednesday 10th October at 7.30 pm in The Shore Gallery. New members always welcome. Annual membership which includes the monthly admission is £25 00.

BAPTISMS (1) Today Lena Piwarska, Lena Bartuala, Luca Vanneck and Macey Moreton will be baptised. We welcome them into the family of the church and congratulate their parents and god parents.

(1) BAPTISMAL TALK B Next Sunday 14th October Talk B at 11.00am immediately after the 10.00am Mass. All parents must attend two Talks A and B before their child(ren) can be baptised. The Talks are on the second Sunday of every month.

AFRICAN COMMUNITY IN ST. PATRICK'S Last Sunday the organisers spoke about a new initiative. There is a list in the church porch prepared by members of the African community in the parish encouraging African parishioners to become active in all areas of parish life including Catholic teachings, liturgical activities, fund raising activities, liaising and supporting social and welfare needs of members and much more. There is an extensive explanation list on the table in the narthex together with a list to sign. Please contact Raymond Chinamora, Jerome and Yetunde Ajakaiye, Rose Adims through the parish office if you would like to learn more. This new group will meet in The Shore Gallery for the first time next Sunday 14th October at 11.00 am immediately after the 10 am Mass.

SENIOR CITIZENS MASS AND LUNCH Last Sunday 62 of our senior citizens, the housebound and all those aged over 60 enjoyed a special Mass with anointing and a complimentary Roast Beef Sunday lunch in the Shore Gallery. They all had an enjoyable time together catching up on all the news. All the senior citizens wish to thank Debbie for cooking a lovely meal and Father Gregory for his generous hospitality

THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN (S.P.U.C) The parish supports this charity each year. They are asking us to petition our local M.P.s not to support the ten minute abortion bill to be discussed in parliament. Please look up the website www.spuc.org.uk for more information.

ST BERNADETTE CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL Open Morning: **Wednesday 10th October** 9.15am – 10.45am

ANNUAL MASS COUNT All churches in England and Wales count their congregations in the last two weeks of September and the first two weeks of October. The total is divided by four to give a weekly average. All the attendances are added together to produce a national average weekly Mass attendance.

Last Sunday's Mass attendance was:

6.30 pm 92 : 8.30 am 80 : 10.00 am 220 : Senior Citizens 78 : Portuguese Mass 30. Total: **500**

The previous week's Mass count was 645.

ST. PATRICK'S CHARITY SHOP The shop is now open Monday – Friday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm and Saturdays 10.00 – 4.00 pm. Please bring your good quality, new or used clothing as donations to the shop. You can also leave your donations outside the door of the parish office in the narthex. The shop is grateful to receive antiques, household goods, jewellery and unwanted gifts. Please help to build up the stock.

POP-IN-PRAYER Everyone is encouraged to pop-in to church for five minutes private prayer. Each week there will be a pop-in prayer theme. This week the subject for our prayer is **the sick and housebound of the parish and all who care for them.** Please pop-in to pray.

ST PATRICK'S COLUMBARIUM An information leaflet is being prepared for The Columbarium. In the meantime the information leaflet is in the narthex giving a brief explanation and answers to frequently asked questions about this new Sacred Space in St. Patrick's.

ST. PATRICK'S FIREWORK EXTRAVAGANZA

SUNDAY 4th NOVEMBER

Gates open 4.30 pm : Firework Display 6.00 pm

A fantastic event for all the family

Cost: Adults £6 : Children £4 Children and under 4's (pre school) FREE

Hot Dogs : Burgers : Sweet Stall : Licensed Bar

THE PADUA GROUP MEETING The first meeting of the Padua Group took place yesterday and the fourteen founding members learned about their biggest asset in life – THEMSELVES. The group visited the old church and will shadow its transformation over the next year, learning about project development. **Membership is closed for this year.** Please pray for our members:

Catherine Alexander, Niyatha George, Kevin Gigy, Dona Jiji, Jeslin Johnson, Anand Jose, Jeffin Jose, Jismon Jose, Mathew Kalathara, Ann Laiju, Emily Morris, Alicja Pajak, Jennifer Sebastian, Ophelia Stone.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

1. The next ecumenical meeting of the local Christian churches (Churches Together in East Central Bristol) takes place in the Shore Gallery on Tuesday 9th October at 7.30 pm. St. Patrick's needs 2 parishioners to represent the parish. There are only about 3 meetings a year. Contact the parish office if you would like to join this group.

2. Saturday 13th October at 12 noon in The Shore Gallery The Little Way Association. The Little Way is a community of Teresian Secular Carmelites who have been meeting in St. Patrick's for 12 years. They meet on the second Saturday most months and conclude with Evening Prayer and Adoration from 2.40 – 3.30 pm in the Church. All parishioners are invited to join them for any or part of this time and would be very welcome.

3. New African Community Group first meeting in The Shire Gallery at 11.00 am – after Mass.

4. Sunday 28th October at 11.15 am in The Shore Gallery The Mission Group. This new group will explore ways of reaching out to the wider community and take the message of the gospel to people in our locality in a manner that is easy to understand. Everyone welcome to come along to the next meeting.

5. Sunday 28th October at 3.00 pm in The Presbytery, The Come and See Group. This Group is now 2 years old and is for boys aged 14 and older who are thinking about vocation and in particular vocation to the priesthood. The purpose of the group is : **Prayer : Reflection : Social**

There are now eleven members in the group and three adult helpers : Alvin Joby, Anand Jose, Jeffin Jose, Jismon Jose, Noel Roy, Jobin Varghese, Gibin Varghese, Chris Thompson, Mathew Kalathara, Alan Jiji, Kevin Jiji.

Adult helpers: Father Gregory, Denise Gaiger and Simon Crandon

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & CAROL CONCERT – SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER This year we will have a mini Christmas Bazaar from 2.00pm – 3.15 pm in the church, the Narthex and The Shore Gallery followed immediately by our Carol Concert from 3.30 pm – 4.00 pm. Stalls will include : Cakes, Curry, Santa Claus, Christmas gifts, Hamper raffle, Refreshments, etc. etc.

CONSTRUCTION PHOTOGRAPHS ON ST PATRICK'S WEBSITE There are now photos available for you to view on our website. The link to the updated 2018 Extension webpage: <https://www.saintpatricks.co.uk/dev-2018-extension.php> and the link to the Photos page: <https://www.saintpatricks.co.uk/construction-photos.php>

WELCOMERS AND USHERS We need more volunteers for the 6.30 and 8.30 Masses. Training will be provided. Please contact the parish office if you can help. The more volunteers we have the less often you will be on duty.

CHURCH CLEANERS Thank you to the ladies who came forward and volunteered to clean the church. We still need more help and would like to form a third team. Please sign the list on the table in the Narthex if you can spare a few hours **once a month.**

FAITH EXPLORATION GROUP Are you or is anyone you know interested in the Catholic faith? If you would like to learn more about Catholicism then the Faith Exploration Group might be just what you need! The Group meets for talks and discussion every Monday in term time between 7.30 pm and 8.30 pm. We meet in the church or shore Gallery and everyone is welcome. If interested, please contact Deacon Denis Deasey through the parish office.

NEWS FROM ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL

(1) St. Patrick's school would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support during the R.E. Inspection and await news of a good outcome.

(2) Last Thursday the school had a coffee and cake morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer. So far £206 was raised.

(3) On Thursday the school hosted a "Mosaic Madness" fun day – children wore bright clothing and participated in colour themed activities throughout the day. Families contributed to the schools Mosaic Fundraising. The Communications Officer of Clifton Diocese, Phil Gibbons, visited the school to photograph the event.

(4) Next week commencing 8th October there is a Book Fayre. You can support the school by attending the Fayre.

(5) **Applications for St Patrick's School in 2019.** You need to apply online via Bristol City Council. Last year there were over 100 applications for 30 places. If your child is a baptised Catholic you need to provide the school with a copy of the Baptismal certificate. **Applications must be submitted by 15th January 2019.** There are school Tours on the following dates all at 1.30pm 11th October, 25th October, 22nd November, 6th December, 10th January 2019. Please phone the school to book a place on a tour. For further information visit the school website www.stpatricksbristol.org.uk where you can view the admissions policy.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE (2)The volume containing the months January to June will be going to the calligrapher for updating at the end of October. Would people who wish to have entries recorded for this period please give details to Rosemary or Martin by 22nd October or contact them on Tel: 935 2803. The cost for a line entry is £25. Please note this is a one off payment and does **not** have to be renewed each year.

NEW PILGRIM PATH WEBSITE FOR THE WEEK "Hook of Faith" is a new and visually beautiful Irish website from the Diocese of Ferns (home to the famous Hook Head peninsula). Produced by a group called Ferns CAFE (Catholic Adult Formation and education), the aim is to provide "interesting articles, prayers and parables" that will spark the interest of visitors to the site. For this, and for other online spiritual resources visit: www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

VACANCY The Diocese has a Fixed Term post of 2 years for a Schools Project Officer. Full information on the notice board or on the website: www.cliftondiocese.com

MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH COMMENCING SUNDAY 14th OCTOBER 2018 **TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

6.30 pm **L Gale**, Deacon Denis, T Coggins
8.30 am **B Hemmings**, M Anstey, R Comerford
10.00 am **F Bradley**, Deacon Rob, R Bradley
Write Bidding Prayers

READERS:

Colin Gale, Helen Jones
Rebecca Beasley-Suffolk, Rex Hammond
Sharon King, Jim Shields
Helen Jones

WELCOMERS :

6.30 pm Pam & Phil Green
8.30 am S Page, A Anstey
10.00 am P Uren, T Bergin, S Slane

Church Cleaners : **Team Two :** Victoria, Caroline, Beata, Chris & Marta

Offertory Counters: **Team Two:** Colin Gale, Rebecca Dimonaco, Roger Wring

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK: Bernadette Newton, Sister Bidy, Mary Harrington, Paddy Collins, Frances Kavanagh, Melissa Harkin, Kirsty Lewis, Jess Hitchcock, Joline Hinchey, Irene Agidee, Peter Green, Maureen Ryan, Lorraine Gillespie, Patsy McCarthy, Agnes Hughes, Julia Nelson, Bernice McCabe, Sarah Holland, Christine Koya-Rawlinson, John Murphy, Margaret Figurski, Lena Shields.

Please inform the parish office when your relative is well again and can be taken off the list