

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 13TH December 2020 Third Sunday of Advent (Year B)
To access the live-streamed daily 9am Mass, please go to:

www.facebook.com/stpatricksbristol

Mass Intentions for Week Beginning 13th December 2020

Sun 13 th Dec	9am	Nellie Febry (10 th Anniversary) Victoria Obi – (Anniversary)	Janet and Andy Lewis and family Rose Adims & family
	10am	Usha Jose – (Anniversary)	Alexander family
Mon 14 th Dec	9 am	Eucharistic Service	
Tue 15 th Dec	9 am	Marie Grant (Birthday Anniversary)	
Wed 16 th Dec	9 am	Teresa Clay (RIP)	Amelia Dunford
Thu 17 th Dec	9 am	John Sullivan (RIP) Michael Sullivan (RIP)	Danielle Sullivan
Fri 18 th Dec	9 am	Skyler Rodrigues Jobali (Birthday) Amy and Bill Concannon (RIP) Agnes Chinamora (Birthday)	Savia Rodrigues and family Concannon family
Sat 19 th Dec	9 am	Cordelia Okeke (3 rd Anniversary) Monika Michalek (Thanksgiving)	Rose Adims and family Chinamore family
Sun 20 th Dec	9am 10am	Molly Foley Savari Cruz Maria E. Fernandez (Pvt. Int)	Foley family Cruz family

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Today is Gaudete Sunday. It is a day of rejoicing in the Catholic Church as we await the arrival of Jesus Christ. The pink candle on the advent wreath will be lit today and Canon Gregory will wear celebratory pink robes.

OUR LADY OF GUADALOUPE This weekend, we celebrate the feast day of the patron saint of all the Americas – Our Lady of Guadalupe. She appeared to Juan Diego in Mexico at a time when the people were worshipping different Gods and human sacrifice had taken place in living memory. Her miraculous picture, which appeared on Juan Diego's cloak converted millions of Mexicans and it is still on display. Millions of people from all around the world travel to see it in Mexico. In St Patrick's narthex, we are displaying a beautiful tapestry of Our Lady made for us by a convent in Mexico.

ONLINE SIGN-UP FOR MASS Canon Gregory has decided not to continue with the online sign-up for Mass after today. Please sign the track and trace sheet in church as normal for future Masses.

PORTUGUESE MASS resumed on 4th December 2020 on Fridays at 7:30pm. We welcome the community back to worship.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL The 9:00am Wednesday Mass is dedicated to a different class or Key Stage group each week. The last date before Christmas is Wednesday 16th Dec – Whole School Mass for Christmas. This has been re-arranged due to COVID closures last week. We wish all our pupils and staff a happy and relaxing Christmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing them again in the New Year.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Today during the 10am Mass, the following children (at time of going to press) will receive their First Holy Communion:

Cordelia Kirkham, Oskar Gawron, Kasper Gawron, Lorenzo Johnson, Adrzaj Zygmuntowicz, Adam Zygmuntowicz.

REST IN PEACE Please pray for Pat Newport who died during the week. For many years, Pat was a faithful parishioner at St Patrick's, attending Mass each week.

CHRISTMAS 2020 MASSES



Christmas Eve	5:00pm 6:30pm
Christmas Day	8:30am 10:00am
Boxing Day	12:00pm

THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS - MIDDAY MASS The Octave is an eight-day period which runs from Boxing Day until Saturday, 2nd January. Bishop Declan Lang has written to say he would like every day in the Octave to be considered as Christmas Day. Here in St Patricks, we will celebrate these Christmas masses at midday instead of at 9am. Masses on Sunday 27th December remain at 9am and 10am.

CHRISTMAS OFFERTORY COLLECTION The Christmas collection basket will be on the narthex table throughout The Christmas Octave. Your donation is a personal gift to Canon Gregory. Please place your gift in the basket at any of the Masses or during a visit to church in The Christmas Octave. Canon Gregory supports many people in the St Patrick's "family" with his Christmas gift. These include: our Polish visiting priests; Fathers Henry, Jan and Stan, as well as missionary priests including Father Ambrose. He also supports needy families in the parish with cash donations and hampers.

300 CLUB DECEMBER DRAW The winners from the December draw are as follows: Colin Cox, Pat Uren, Colin & Liz Gale, Neil English x 2, Andrew Patterson, Hannah Curnow, Jo Deasey, Jim McCormick, Patrick Whooley, Carol Maggs, Peter Slane, Mary K Knowles, J + C Uren Carol Skinner.

300 CLUB "BIG CHRISTMAS DRAW" The Annual Christmas Big Draw will take place today. Prize money of £1,000 is as follows : 1st prize £500; 2nd prize £100; 3 prizes of £50 each; 4 prizes of £25 each; 5 prizes of £10 and a Bonus prize of £100. All members must be paid up in order to participate in the draw.

ST PATRICK'S CHARITY SHOP Please consider donating good quality toys in time for Christmas to The Charity Shop. They also sell beautiful Christmas cards and as-new Christmas gifts including toiletries and - an ideal present for any child – Christmas cribs of all shapes and sizes; this is a gift that will last forever. The shop is open from 9am -1pm.

APPEAL FOR FOOD DONATIONS AND TOILETRIES: *NEW ITEMS ADDED*

Please consider bringing a food or toiletry item every time you come to church. The toiletries below are in as much need as the food. The parish funds make a weekly contribution to this venture. Thank you for your support.

FOOD: Tinned tomatoes, rice, cooking oil, toilet rolls, crisps and biscuits, cereals i.e. cornflakes - coco pop! Rice pudding, tinned beans, tinned meat, rice and squash drinks

TOILETRIES: Shampoo, soaps, washing powder, toothpaste, toilet rolls.

DEDICATION PLAQUES The dedication plaques for the benches, stained-glass windows and the Stations of the Cross have come back from the engravers and look very smart. Thank you to Robert Rhodes for making the frames for the dedication plaques for the Stations of the Cross; they are a work of art in themselves.

SEEKING SPONSORSHIP Sixteen sponsors of the benches in The Chapel of The Resurrection made donations for a bench in memory of a loved one or family. Thank you to a generous parishioner who, this week, has sponsored one of the two remaining benches. Each bench is £1200 or £1000 gift aided. Please consider sponsoring the remaining bench and dedicating it to a loved one. Call the parish office on 0117 955 7662 for more information.

ST PATRICK'S PAN-AFRICAN COMMUNITY The Community are setting up the opportunity to engage in monthly meetings by Zoom. Please contact Chris Boateng via email at Kriststone@yahoo.com for more information.

DANIEL O'DONNELL We wish Daniel a very happy birthday this weekend as he celebrates his 59th birthday. Daniel was one of the first sponsors for St Patrick's Church and held an open day to meet his fans in Bristol University. He continues to support the parish with prizes for our charity events and always welcomes parishioners to his concerts when he tours Britain. Happy Birthday, Daniel.

PARISH INCOME Thank you very much to all the parishioners who continue to financially support the church and all its work. Lockdown has seriously affected parish income this year. Events and activities normally raise £30,000. This year, we have had no income from fundraising. Due to the fluctuation of Masses, opening times of the church, the offertory donations at Mass have been reduced by 50%. This means our church income in 2020 will be down by over £50,000. You can help in the following ways:

1. CONTACTLESS PAYMENT SYSTEM IN CHURCH

We now have two new "Dona" machines in the narthex for contactless payment. If you are able to get to church, contactless payment is a secure method of paying. Your contactless payment goes directly to The Grant Bradley Charitable Trust (reg no: 1093331) who donate £3000 each month for the running of St Patrick's Parish. In the past ten years, The Trust has donated over one million pounds to St Patrick's.

2. PAYMENT VIA THE WEBSITE

If you are unable to come to church and wish to make a donation, you can do so via the button on the top right-hand side of the homepage on our website – www.saintpatricks.co.uk.

3. ONLINE PAYMENT

You can also continue to donate to the church by visiting our Dona donation page at: <http://stpatricksbristol.mydona.com/>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

LIVE-STREAMING OF MASSES To stream our Masses on the internet each day, our technology is simple – we do it through a mobile phone. If the phone has a fault or poor connection, the viewers experience poor quality and service. We have decided to make the live-streaming of services permanent and are therefore investing £7000 in two cameras that will give a better picture and can be operated to zoom around the church and do close-ups; a bit like a TV broadcast. We are looking for 140 people to give a gift of £50 (=£7000) towards the cost of this new technology. **There is a sponsorship sheet in the narthex if you are able to make a donation.** Over 2000 household viewings from all over the world tune in each week to watch our televised Mass. Thank you to those who have already signed the sponsorship forms.

LGBT MASS The next LGBT + Mass will be celebrated in St. Nicholas Church on Sunday 20th December at 3:00pm. Please see poster on the notice board.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK:

Bernadette Newton, Sister Biddy, Melissa Harkin, Irene Agidee, Maureen Ryan, Gracy Mathew, Marian Mulcahy, Rosy Joseph, Cora Kumpik, Tony Thankachan (aged 13), Fergal Treanor, Martin Maguire, Jim Brooks, Deacon Denis Deasey, Lucy Wahinya, Malcolm Wiltshire, Adrian Steele, Mgr. Liam Slattery VG. Patrick Smith, Deacon Rob, Sarah Nurse, Mick Lewis, Marie & Bill Gage, Cath Gilboy, Rosemary Holland, Louise Maddalena, Bob Eva, Mary Dias, Carlos Pedroche, Graham Parker, Alex Javier Roman, Madge O'Donnell, Colin Cox.

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

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE–DECEMBER: Please pray for the following in the Month of December:

Con Kennedy, Michael Beck, Jack King, Edward Hogan, Carol Jenkins, Terence Barry, Hilda & William Davies, Nellie & Arthur Pearce, Peter Hunt, Charles Pibworth, Karl Randles, Ann & Nelson Driscoll, Ellen & Michael Comerford, Tom Lynch, Geoffrey Preston, Joyce Holbrook, Dorothy Richards, Vera Shapcott, Dennis Parker, Sister Marilyn, Nellie Morgan, Edith Moore, George Haskins, Molly Foley, Arthur Robbins, Catherine Groves, Leon Figurski, Rita Phillips, Ivan Plettell, The Salvatorian Sisters, Harry McEntee, Hilda Deacon: The Dee, Richards, Cosgrove, Haberbosch, Reutens, James, Haynes, Pritchard and McCarthy Families, Myra & Tom Jennings, Peter Bradley, Emmet Locke, Brumby Family, Stephen Nosi, Johanna Nosi, Mary Joyce, Marie Grant, Joan King, Neil Hunter, Stephen Wren, Alison Paskell, Leslie Nelson, William Commons, Christine Hale, Nancy & Jim Gibbons, Matthew O'Leary, Ron Stone, Clarice & Walter Blackford, Mary Davies, Rosemary Walker, Antonietta Lagana, Jenny Rose, Ellen Morgan, Nkechi Cordelia Okeke.