



CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS PETER AND PAUL, CLIFTON

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Safeguarding Tel. 0117 954 0993 The Diocese of Clifton undertakes to ensure that any allegations of a safeguarding issue are responded to promptly and to liaise openly with statutory authorities to support investigations, responding sensitively and compassionately to those in need, and ensuring perpetrators are held to account. We affirm our undertaking for the Diocese of Clifton to be a place where all can come in confidence, and that they will be cared for and loved by their Christian Community.

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ORDINARY TIME WEEK 3

22nd JAN 2023

LITURGY THIS WEEK (Live-streamed at cliftoncathedral.org)

Sunday 22 nd Jan, Sunday of the Word of God)	Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.15am, 6pm
Monday 23 rd Jan, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 9.30am
Tuesday 24 th Jan, St Francis de Sales	Mass: 7.00pm
Wednesday 25 th Jan, Conversion of St Paul	Masses: 7.30am, 12.00pm (Requiem)
Thursday 26 th Jan, St Timothy and St Titus	Mass: 7.30am
Friday 27 th Jan, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday 28 th Jan, St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor	Mass: 9.30am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS): 10.00am Saturdays and by request at any time
(telephone 0117 9738411, or simply ask a priest before or after Mass)

PRAYERS REQUESTED: For all who are unwell: David Bull, Edmund Richardson, Gabriele Green, Eliza James, Theresa Johnston, Jonathan Freeman, Barbara Freeman, Valentina Kelemenova, Nick Lee, Dinah McAlees, Linda Sheppard, Patricia Sheppard, Kate Cullen, Mary Burke, Amy Mackenzie, Margaret Meech, Bridie O’Sullivan, Jerome Farrell, Valerie Donkin, Dave Fry, Peter Melton, Jessica Cox.

For those who died: Betty Vickery RIP.

And for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Simon Chandler, Bridget Hayes, Fr Francis Meegan, Michael Nolan, Margaret Usher, Hugh Kinghorn, Marguerite L’Hospice, Phyllis Wilcox, Donna Dukes, Beryl Newport RIP.

CONFIRMATION 2023: Preparation for Confirmation starts on Tuesday evenings from 14th March beginning with Mass each week in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 7pm. To be confirmed this year on Pentecost Sunday 28th May you should have reached your 14th birthday by 1st Sept 2022 and regularly attend Sunday Mass. Please contact Paul (cathedral.confirmation@cliftondiocese.com) for a registration form.

FOODBANK APPEAL: Many thanks for recent generous donations to our online appeal, which have allowed us to supply much needed disposable nappies, toilet roll & coffee to the Bristol NW Foodbank.

3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: (Sunday of the Word of God) *And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him. (Matthew 4:14)*

So much of our worrying and fretting is unnecessary. Jesus, who is Lord of all, invites us to that faith which can set things in perspective and can discern God's hand in even the darkest moments.

7.30am SUNDAY MASS: Starting this year the Cathedral has once again been offering an early Mass on Sundays for parishioners and visitors, but please note the *new time of 7.30am*. All welcome.

REQUIEM MASS: For Peter Colston RIP will be offered in the Cathedral at 12 noon on Wed 25th January. We keep his family and friends in our prayers at this time.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023: Application forms are now available from clergy after all Sunday Masses. The preparation sessions will commence on the 2nd March and the First Holy Communion will be celebrated on 17th June at 9.30am. Applicants should have reached their 8th birthday by the 1st Sept 2022.

CATHEDRAL MERCY GROUP LUNCH: is held in the Apostle Room on Sunday 29th January at 12.30pm. There is no charge and transport can be arranged if required and everyone is welcome. Special dietary requirements catered for. If you would like to book a place, please phone or text Robert on 07767 706163 or email mercygroup@cliftondiocese.com. This is a lovely way to meet new people over a delicious lunch.

WEST DOOR CAR PARKING: The West Door and Cathedral House Car parks are now open for parishioners and staff. Please note the two bays marked for those with extra mobility needs and we are also asked to keep the 'cobbled' area clear to ease pedestrian access. The car park nearest to the West Door is all on one level now (no kerbs) and paths are finished in a different colour which should make it easier and safer for people to walk from their cars to the cathedral entrance. All are asked to take extra care in vehicles while we get used to the new layout.

GET INVOLVED: The Church and her organisations rely on people getting involved. Our Church, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our Church? What aspects of Church brings you joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish? cafod.org.uk/Volunteer.

FINANCE: Last week's offertory collection came to £934.02 (plus £201.45 online), thank you very much for your generosity. The collection taken at the Cathedral Carol Service on the 23rd Dec came to £877.30 and the Advent Meditation held on the 18th December raised £245.16, in total £1,122. 46. This has been donated to the Happy Child Foundation in Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine to support their work with orphaned children in the area. www.deti.zp.ua

ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN: Around this time each year all parishes submit their financial statement to the diocesan curia and a meeting of the Cathedral finance committee was held on the 19th January when the accounts for 2022 were signed off and our commitments for the 2023 were discussed. Receipts for 2022 totalled £282,543. Payments in total for the year came to £267,044. This means that over the year we managed a surplus of £15,499 (5.4%). For more detail, take a look at the breakdown summary of receipts and payments available on our website. Thank you to all our parishioners and benefactors for your wonderful support especially in these times when there is considerable pressure on all our finances including a high level of inflation and energy costs. Thank you too to those who manage and oversee our finances and keep detailed records of receipts and payments.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCY – ST BERNARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: St Bernard's Catholic Primary School, BS11 9TU is part of a wonderful community and currently has two Foundation Governor vacancies. If you can help, please complete the application form: schools.cliftondiocese.com/form-2 or contact Sarah O'Driscoll, via clerk@stbernardsprimary.co.uk or 0117 9030352 for further information.

POPE FRANCIS – JANUARY 2023: "I would like to propose that educators add new content to their teaching: fraternity. Education is an act of love that illuminates the path for us to recover a sense of fraternity, so we will not ignore those who are most vulnerable. Educators are witnesses who not only impart their mental knowledge, but also their convictions, their commitment to life. They know how to handle the three languages well: that of the head, that of the heart, and that of the hands, all in harmony. And hence the joy in communicating. And they will be heeded much more attentively and will become community builders. Why? Because they're sowing this testimony. Let us pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than confrontation and helping especially the youngest and most vulnerable above all".