



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 24

Sept 2023

LITURGY THIS WEEK (Livestreamed at cliftoncathedral.org)

Sunday 17 th Sept, Sunday in Ordinary Time	Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.15am, 6pm
Monday 18 th Sept, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 9.30am
Tuesday 19 th Sept, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 7.00pm
Wednesday 20 th Sept, SS Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Hasang	Mass: 7.30am
Thursday 21 st Sept, St Matthew, Apostle	Mass: 7.30am
Friday 22 nd Sept, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday 23 rd Sept, St Pius, Priest	Mass: 11:00am

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

ROSARY GROUP: Tuesdays at 6.30pm in the Lady Chapel

PRAYERS REQUESTED: For all who are unwell: Nick Tarr, Edmund Richardson, Gabriele Green, Eliza James, Jonathan Freeman, Valentina Kelemenova, Kate Cullen, Mary Burke, Amy Mackenzie, Margaret Meech, Bridie O’Sullivan, Jerome Farrell, Dave Fry, Mario Toffolo, Sue Wright, Andy Dawes, Anne McAuley, Richard Ramsay, Paul Williams, Theresa Akum Lum, Christine Bird, Steffan Llwyd, Eileen Murdoch, John Worsnop, Sheila Daly, Ian McDonald, Nic Dunn.

And for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Molly Poole, Christine Moore, Vittoria Duggan, Denis Stokes, Patricia Forte, Catherine Liversedge, Martin Appleby.

Recently died: Fr Patrick Eastman, Gerald O’Brien, Fr John Morley-Bunker RIP

FINANCE: Last week’s offertory collection was £709.05 and £206.21 online, second collection for Education Sunday came to £195.27 and £30.00 online, thank you for your generosity.

24th SUNDAY: *You wicked servant. I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you? (Matthew 18:32-33)*

We may not always be able to forgive and forget, but at least we must always forgive. It's part of the Christian package...forgiveness with no strings attached, not once only, but unconditionally, freely and always. No one said Christianity was easy.

MASS TIME CHANGE: Please note that there will be no 9.30am Mass on Saturday 23rd September as the Ordination Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Declan at 11am that morning.

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE: will take place at 11am Sat 23rd Sept, when Bishop Declan will ordain five new deacons! We pray for the candidates and their families: Joe Almeida, John Andrews, Andrew Bent Charles Hickman, Bartek Kowalewski and wish them every blessing in their chosen path.

KNOWING THE FAITH (RCIA): As Canon Bosco has been away for a family funeral, the first Knowing the Faith session is rescheduled for Thursday 21st September, 7.00pm in the Chapter Room at Cathedral House. If you or someone you know would like to take part this year, please contact Canon Bosco at Cathedral House, leaving your contact details. RCIA is a place to learn about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches. It is a process of getting to know Jesus Christ and is especially suited for those who are seeking to be baptised as adults. In Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, (*Corinthians 15:1-11*), he reminds the Christian community of what is of first importance, namely that Christ has died for our sins and raised on the third day. This central mystery of the faith is passed from apostle to apostle and generation to generation to lead all to believe that Jesus is Lord. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults continues in this tradition of passing on what has been received to welcome new believers.

Heavenly Father, you call us to relationship with you through the death and resurrection of your Son, and the guidance of your Holy Spirit. Open our minds and hearts as we begin this new season that we may deepen our faith in you, our hope for eternal life, and our love for you and our neighbour. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ADDRESSING CURRENT RAAC CONCERNS: Jo Long, Head of Clifton Diocese Property Services has issued the following statement: *Clifton Diocese has no reason to believe that there is any RAAC within the Cathedral. According to our detailed historic records on the construction of the Cathedral, traditional concrete was hand mixed on site and used to build the Cathedral.*

SS PETER & PAUL RC PRIMARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2024 FOUNDATION STAGE ADMISSIONS: New Parent/Carer tour for children starting school in September 2024 on the following dates - Tuesday 19th Sept, 9:30am; Tuesday 26th September – 1:30pm; Thursday 5th October – 1:30pm; Tuesday 17th October – 9:30am; Thursday 9th November – 1:30pm; Wednesday 22nd November – 1:30pm. If you would like to attend one of the above dates, please email the date to nicola.clark@bristol-schools.uk to be added to the attendance list.

WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF GOD: Linking with the Sessions of the Synod on Synodality in Rome (October 2023), Clifton Diocese will be exploring the same themes through a series of webinars (7.30pm-9.00pm). Bishop John Arnold will set out the series within the context of the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church - Lumen Gentium on 21st Sept. To book, please go to: cliftondiocese.com/news/we-are-the-people-of-god/ .

BRISTOL WNO FRIENDS: restart a new season on Wed 20th Sept with a delightful welcome to the Cathedral's Choral Director, Dr David Bednall who will explore some of the meanings, music, beauty and overwhelming feeling of redemption at the heart of the enigma that is "Parsifal", Wagner's final masterpiece. All are welcome. Apostle Room, 6.45 for 7.15 pm. Refreshments available. WNO Friends £8, visitors £10, further information from Melanie David tel: 01934 842014 or email: melaniej david@btinternet.com.

MARCH FOR LIFE: Chris Brennan wants to thank those from the Parish and beyond who joined the March for Life 2023 in London on 2nd September - it was a great success!

EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY: Second collection this Sunday is in support of Evangelii Gaudium Sunday, formerly known Home Mission Sunday. It was initiated by Pope Francis' invitation to the Catholic Church to be joyous in proclaiming the faith, seeking new ways of understanding it and reaching out to others.

LOV VERBUM DEI HIKERS: have successfully completed a profound spiritual journey of the physically challenging ascent of the Snowdon and brought all the prayer intentions they received to the very top of that mountain. They are already planning their next challenge, and Lov Verbum Dei JustGiving page will remain open for ongoing support. Thank you for your unwavering support, prayers and love.