



CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS PETER AND PAUL, CLIFTON



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ORDINARY TIME WEEK 34

NOV-DEC 2023

LITURGY THIS WEEK (Livestreamed at cliftoncathedral.org)

Sunday 26 th Nov, Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King	Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.15am, 6pm
Monday 27 th Nov, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 9.30am
Tuesday 28 th Nov, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Bereavement Mass: 7.00pm
Wednesday 29 th Nov, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 7.30am
Thursday 30 th Nov, St Andrew, Apostle	Requiem Mass for Gabriele Green RIP:12pm
Friday 1 st Dec, St Alexander Briant, Martyr	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday 2 nd Dec, Weekday in Ordinary Time	Mass: 9.30am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS): Saturdays 10.15am 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, Eliza James, Valentina Kelemenova, Kate Cullen, Mary Burke, Amy Mackenzie, Margaret Meech, Bridie O’Sullivan, Jerome Farrell, Mario Toffolo, Sue Wright, Andy Dawes, Anne McAuley, Richard Ramsay, Paul Williams, Theresa Akum Lum, Christine Bird, Steffan Llwyd, Eileen Murdoch, John Worsnop, Ian McDonald, Sheila Daly, Jerry O’Leary, Rachel Hatch, Patricia Shepherd, Carmel Henry, Alison Cox.

Recently died: Caroline Pryce RIP.

And for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Patrick O’Sullivan, Cynthia Green, Stella Cirkett, Isaura Molina-Mellado, Ana Fitzpatrick, Isabel Geissinger, Mark Lewis, Ann-Marie Donaghy, Daisy Johnson, Ivey Lambert, Dennis Trebble, Patrick Butterley, William Bush.

2024 DIOCESAN LITURGICAL DIARIES AND DIRECTORIES: are available to purchase from Cathedral House at £6.50 for a Liturgical Diary and £6 for a Directory from this week on.

34th SUNDAY (CHRIST THE KING): *“Then the King will say to those on his right hand: ‘Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world’.”* (Matthew 25:34) If Christ comes back tomorrow to judge us, then most of us will not be judged on lots of terrible things that we have done wrong. We will be judged rather on lots of ordinary things that we have not done. Today’s gospel is an excellent examination of conscience for our sins of omission, for our inactivity and our lukewarmness. For when we failed to reach out to any of our fellow human beings, we failed to reach out to Jesus.

MASS TIME CHANGE: Please note that on Thursday 30th Nov there will be no early morning Mass at 7.30am.

REQUIEM MASS: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gabriele Green RIP. Requiem Mass for her will be held at 12noon on Thu 30th Nov at the Cathedral. We also keep her family and friends in our prayers.

REMEMBRANCE OF THE HOLY SOULS: Throughout November we particularly remember the Holy Souls. In the Blessed Sacrament Chapel there are intention slips for the names of those for whom you would like our prayers. All slips filled in will be placed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel throughout the month.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: Those interested to learn more on living Gospel values in our unjust and broken world and to discuss how we put this teaching into practice within our Cathedral Community are warmly invited to join us in the Apostle Room on Mon 27th Nov 7pm.

BEREAVEMENT MASS: On Tuesday 28th November at 7pm we will celebrate Mass for those who have been bereaved during the year. All are welcome, but particularly those who have lost family members, friends or loved ones. You are invited to come and light a candle in their memory, and also join us for refreshments in the Apostle Room after Mass.

PRAYER GROUP - ADVENT: All are welcome to our weekly meetings from Wed 29th Nov up to and including 20th Dec for Advent prayer in the Apostle Room from 7pm. 29th Nov - Ignatian prayer / Prologue to St John’s Gospel. 6th Dec - praying with icons of St John the Baptist. 13th Dec - Lectio Divina/Isaiah 6:1,2-10,11. 20th Dec - Scriptural Rosary, the Joyful Mysteries.

RCIA KNOWING THE FAITH: We will be reflecting on Mary and the Saints in the James Room on Thur 30th November at 7:00 pm.

FOODBANK CHRISTMAS APPEAL: We have a new online appeal to support the work of Bristol NW Foodbank All donations highly appreciated: justgiving.com/crowdfunding/CliftonCathedralFoodbankChristmasAppeal. Perhaps you are not sending Christmas cards this year & are looking to support a charity instead. The FairTrade stall returns next Sun 3rd Dec, with weekly Foodbank collections continuing as usual.

SS PETER & PAUL SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE: Canon Bosco will lead the children of our school in our Carol Service here at the Cathedral 2pm Friday 8th December. All are very welcome to come and join in singing!

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Cathedral Christmas Day Lunch - a traditional lunch with all the trimmings at 12.30pm on Christmas Day. Whilst there is no charge, booking is essential, and transport can be arranged. Please call/text Robert on 07767 706163 or email clifton.cathedral@cliftondiocese.com

BISHOPS’ AUTUMN 2023 PLENARY RESOLUTIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS: The Bishops of England and Wales recognise the wonderful work that Catholics, and many others, are doing to change our culture in relation to how we view and act towards the environment. We echo Pope Francis’s call for our political leaders to take decisive action at COP 28 and to create energy transition targets that are efficient, obligatory and readily monitored, and we ask them to consider how such targets can be enforced. We commend the practical work undertaken through both Cafod’s Live Simply and the Guardians of Creation project, which provides practical guidance and resources to support transition in dioceses and parishes.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND: We pray that the violence will cease, that Christ the Prince of Peace will guide all devastated by this conflict into the ways of truth, reconciliation, and respectful co-existence. To support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza, please go to cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030. Your donation will help to provide urgent humanitarian aid.

STARTING SCHOOL: Now is the time to apply for a primary school place for children born between 01.09.2019 and 31.08.2020. Application form is available from the Bristol City Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, please provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. The closing date is 15th Jan 2024.

FINANCE: Last week’s offertory cash collection came to £805 and £1027.23 online - thank you very much for your support! You can also donate with your smartphone via the QR codes on the noticeboards.