

Catholic Community in Cheltenham

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Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

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20th May 2018

Readings: Acts 2:1-11, 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13

Gospel: 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit' (John 20: 19-23)



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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 10.00am-1.00pm

Parish Priest: Fr David Mills

Attached Priest: Fr David McDonald

Deacon: Rev. Robin Littlewood

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Priest in Charge: Fr Frank Wainwright **Website:** www.stthomasmorechurch.org.uk
& Hospital Chaplain

Schools: St Gregory's RC Primary School, St James Square GL50 3QG

St Thomas More RC Primary School, Lewis Road, Hesters Way GL51 OHZ

All Saints' Academy, Blaisdon Way, Cheltenham GL51 OWH

Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary - Parish Priest: Fr Mark Moran

Parish Website: www.sacredhearts.org.uk

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Mass Times This Week - PENTECOST SUNDAY

Day of Special Prayer for the Church

20th Sunday

5.00pm (Vigil)	St Thomas More	Dona Ratcliff RIP
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Hearts	DiPaola Family RIP
8.00am	St Gregory	Holy Souls
8.15am	Sacred Hearts	Serena Thomas RIP
9.30am	St Gregory	George Henry Jones RIP
10.30am	Sacred Hearts	Michael E. Okeke RIP
11.15am	St Gregory	Joey Cassidy RIP
6.00pm	St Gregory	People of the Parish
21st Monday	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Tim Horan RIP
22nd Tuesday	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Luke Heath RIP
7.00pm	Sacred Hearts	Audrey Aplin RIP
23rd Wednesday	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Sue Ball RIP
10.00am	Sacred Hearts	Maryrose & Alan Panton Ints.
24th Thursday	Memorial of Saint Aldhelm, Bishop	
9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Michael Mullahy RIP
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Gertrude Margaret Barlow RIP
6.30pm	St Thomas Moore	Margaret Crossan RIP
25th Friday	Memorial of Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church	
9.15am	Sacred Hearts	People of the Parish
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Holy Souls
26th Saturday	Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest	
9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls
9.30am	St Thomas More	Elisabeth & James Common RIP

Mass at Nazareth House: 10.00am Monday-Saturday

Dla zainteresowanych, godziny Mszy Świętej w języku Polskim są na stronie internetowej www.pcmew.org/parafie/Gloucester Facebook: Polska Parafia w Gloucester i Cheltenham. Ksiądz Dariusz Mazur 01452 528423/07957660269. Email: x.darek1976@gmail.com

Baptisms

By arrangement with the Parish Office.

Cheltenham Young Catholic Adults

Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month: 6-8pm downstairs, Old Priory. Contact Margaret 07515 805015 or Damian 07908 105787.

Legion of Mary

Mondays at 5.00-6pm in the Old Priory Library. For info. ring Lucy Costelloe on 261441 or Mick Slevin on 513453.

SVP

Tuesday evenings in the Old Priory. New members welcome. For info. email: svpchelt@gmail.com

Bingo

Every Thursday evening at St Thomas More Hall, 8pm; in support of STM Development Fund

55 Club

After 9.30am Mass, Old Priory (alternate Thursdays). Next meeting: 31st May.

Choir Practice

In Church, Fridays 6.30pm. New members welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

PLEASE NOTE: Saturday Morning Mass (9.30am) Adoration & Confessions (10-11am & 4.30-4.45pm).

Will be at St Thomas More.

Sacred Hearts: Tuesdays: 6-6.30pm (before evening Mass) & Saturdays 9.45-10.15am

Finance

Last week's offertory collection came to £1,236.96 (SG); £314.93 (STM); Bingo £200.00 (STM); Jericho £120.00 (SG). Last week's collection for World Communications raised £333.99 (SG) & £106.63 (STM). Thank you for your generosity & continued support.

Priests' Retirement Fund

Next Sunday there will be a second collection taken at all Masses for the Priests' Retirement Fund. This fund offers grants each year to the priests who have served our Diocese faithfully during their years of active priestly ministry. This money supports them in their retirement and offers them a little security in their retirement years. Our gift to them through this fund shows them something of our gratitude and our support. If you are a UK tax payer, please give your donation by Gift Aid.

Baptism

Lowell James Watson was baptised last week-end. We welcome him into the Church, and offer our love and prayers to the family.

Jericho Booklet

If you haven't already got one, please don't miss out on the opportunity of purchasing a copy of "Completing the Good Work – The Catholic Church of St Gregory the Great in Twenty-one Aspects". Full of fascinating details and information on the history of our beautiful Church. Cost £5.00 per copy with all proceeds going to support the Jericho Appeal Internal Refurbishment Project. Available in the Old Priory or via the parish office.

St Thomas More Church Fete

This will be held on Saturday, 9th June from 11am to 1pm in STM Church Hall. Draw tickets on sale – £1 each. We are looking for donations of raffle prizes, bottles, nearly-new items, toys, books & quality bric-a-brac. Please leave your donations at STM church hall or St Gregory's office.

'Meeting Christ in the Eucharist' Course

To help the parish prepare for the Eucharistic Congress in September, a 6-session course on the Holy Eucharist will run this summer: 'Meeting Christ in the Eucharist' by Fr Stephen Wang. Join us every other Monday at St Thomas More to deepen your knowledge and devotion to this most incredible sacrament. All welcome. Next session 21st May, 7:30-9pm. For more info, contact Miss Turner: eventide_unicorn@yahoo.co.uk – 07775 684501 or Una Jenkins: unamariececilia@gmail.com - 07759 332 841.

Junior Youth Group

We are delighted to be back upstairs in the Old Priory on the following Sundays, straight after the 9.30am Mass: 27th May, 3rd & 17th June, 8th & 22nd July. Activities are planned to suit Year 3 to Year 6, but slightly younger children who enjoy Art, Craft & Music are most welcome to join in, while older children may be interested in learning how to take on a leadership role. We are a lovely, lively group and enjoy meeting new people. christine.fletcher@talktalk.net

Request for Hospital Visitor

Could you spare a little time on a Saturday afternoon? We are looking for people to join the Saturday team at Cheltenham Hospital. The commitment is for 1½ to 2 hours once every 5 weeks. For further details, please phone Liz Sloan on 07491 669592.

Renovation - Weekly Update

A weekly update on the current work is available on the parish website home page under the heading "Progress Report & Photos" - www.stgregorys.org.uk

Clerk to the Governing Board: St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

Applications are invited for this position. Please email Cathy Hipkiss, Acting Chair at chipkissgov@st-thomasmore.gloucs.sch.uk for a Job Description about the main duties, qualifications and experience of the role. For an initial conversation, please phone 07733 005969.

CYMFed Flame 2019

Young people from across the Clifton Diocese aged 14-25 are invited to join Bishop Declan at "Flame" in Wembley Arena on Saturday, 2nd March 2019. Clifton Diocese Youth Ministry are offering ticket, travel & Diocesan scarf all for just £50 per person. Places are filling up fast; go to www.cliftondiocese.com or contact your Parish Priest for more details and to book your place.

Clifton Diocese Summer Camps

The annual Summer Camps have been launched for 2018 and bookings are now being taken. This year, the camps have moved to a new location in Viney Hill in the Forest of Dean and are being held between 13-17 August (ages 7-11) and 20-24 August (ages 12-16). The camps promise to be weeks full of fun, faith and friendship. If you are interested in finding out more, or to book a place for your child, please visit

<http://livingyourfaith.co.uk> or email livingyourfaith@hotmail.co.uk.

Pray and Fast to Save the 8th!

This Friday, (25th May), Ireland will vote on whether to introduce abortion by getting rid of the 8th Amendment. Please consider praying and fasting every day this week for the preservation of the 8th Amendment.

Pilgrimages to Knock, Ireland

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 1st July 2018. £649 per person sharing. Price includes flights with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 5 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

Our Prayers are asked for:-

Sick: Claire Young, Helen and Lawrence Gorry, Christopher Browne, Baby Ezra Cooper, Barbara Sims, Rey Lluisma, Helen Stanbury, Mary Costello, Lisa Partridge, Dan Perry, Teresa Deneher, Pauline Butler, Cecilia McKenna, Pat Murphy, Maria Brown, David Blake, Patricia Hamilton, Anne Guppy, Daisy Ward, John & Patricia Thorley, Bob Vaughan, Rebecca Ross du Plessis, Michael Daly.

Anniversaries: Bridget Canavan, Kevin Turner, Clive Kelly, Denise Ellis.