

Catholic Community in Cheltenham

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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4th November 2018

Readings: Deuteronomy 6: 2-6; Hebrews 7: 23-28

Gospel: 'This is the first commandment. The second is like it' (Mark 12: 28-34)



St Gregory the Great 10 St James Square, GL50 3PR ☎01242 523737

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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St Thomas More Princess Elizabeth Way, GL51 7RA ☎01242 573128

Assistant Priest: Fr Tony Pazhayakalam

Website: www.stthomasmorechurch.org.uk

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

Moorend Rd, Charlton Kings, GL53 9AU ☎01242 524932

Mass Times This Week 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th Sunday

5.00pm (Sat)	St Thomas More	Holy Souls: Pious Lists
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls & People of the Parish
08.00am	St Gregory	People of the Parish
8.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls & George Houghton RIP
9.30am	St Gregory	Holy Souls: Pious Lists
10.30am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls & Sister Fran Kobets RIP
11.15am	St Gregory	Holy Souls: Pious Lists
6.00pm	St Gregory	Holy Souls: Pious Lists

5th Monday

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Holy Souls: Pious Lists
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6th Tuesday

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Holy Souls: Pious Lists
7.00pm	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls & Dec'd Catenian Brothers

7th Wednesday

Weekday in Ordinary Time

NO 9.30AM MASS AT ST GREGORY

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls & Catholic Women's League
7.00pm	St Gregory (OP Hall)	(Latin Mass) Holy Souls: Pious Lists

8th Thursday

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls and Sue Pye RIP
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	George Henry John RIP
6.30pm	St Thomas More	Holy Souls: Pious Lists

9th Friday

Feast of The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls and Lourdes Senior RIP
9.30am	St Gregory (OP Hall)	Holy Souls: Pious Lists

10th Saturday

Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls and Stella Macnamara RIP
9.30am	St Thomas More	Holy Souls: Pious Lists

Mass at Nazareth House: Daily at 10.00am

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. email svpcht@gmail.com

Bingo at St Thomas More

Every Thursday evening in Hall at 8.00pm; in support of STM Development Fund.

55 Club

After 9.30am Mass, Old Priory (alternate Thursdays). Next meeting: 15th November.

Choir Practice

In Church, Fridays 6.30pm. New members welcome.

Music Group Practice

In the Old Priory or St Thomas More every other Saturday, 10am. New members welcome.

Confessions

St Thomas More:

Saturday 10-11am & 4.15-4.45pm.

Sacred Hearts: Tuesdays 6-6.30pm (when there is an Evening Mass) & Saturdays 9.45-10.15am.

Finance

Last week's offertory collection came to £1,307.77 (SG); £182.23 (STM); Bingo £140.00 (STM); There will be a second collection taken at all Sunday Masses this weekend for the Clifton Cathedral Appeal. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Clifton Cathedral Appeal

This is our opportunity to make a contribution towards the upkeep of the Mother Church of our Diocese. If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider giving by Gift Aid by using the white envelopes available.

300 Club Winners

The draw took place after the 09.30am Mass last Sunday. The winners are as follows:- 1st Mrs Lorraine Shirto (£100); 2nd Mr & Mrs S Hanks (£50); 3rd Mrs J D Angus (£25). Congratulations to all. Cheques are on their way.

Baptism

Paula Kopy's was baptised last week-end at St Thomas More. We welcome her into the Church, and offer our prayers and support to the family.

Acoustics in the Church

At the Parish Pastoral Council meeting this past Tuesday, and also from some constructive comments made to me by parishioners, it would seem that changes to the ceiling in the Church have had the side effect of affecting the acoustics, especially regarding the lapel microphones. A sound engineer will be engaged in the near future to address this issue. Thank you for your patience.

Helpers Wanted

If any child or young adult would like to help greeting, reading, singing, etc. at the next Children's Mass on Sunday, 11th November at 9.30am. Please email shelley1270@gmail.co.uk. New volunteers (all ages) are especially welcome!

Junior Youth Group

Remaining dates for this term are: 4th November, 18th November, 2nd December, 16th December. We are a lovely & lively group and enjoy meeting new people! christine.fletcher@talktalk.net

Mass for the Dead at All Saints' Academy

The annual Mass for the Dead will be celebrated in St Benedict's Chapel, All Saints' Academy this Tuesday, 6th November at 7.00pm. This Mass will be offered for all deceased students, parents, teachers, governors and staff of St. Benedict's School, Christ College and All Saints' Academy. The celebrant will be Fr David Mills. Refreshments will be served afterwards. For further details, please contact All Saints' Academy 711234.

Fr Frank's Induction Mass

You are invited to attend Fr Frank's Induction Mass at St Joseph's Church, Binford Place, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 3NJ next Friday, 9th November at 7pm.

Cheltenham Community Memorial March

This year, as you probably know, is 100 years since the first World War ended (The Great War). Most cities are remembering this occasion and Cheltenham, which lost over 1,200 soldiers is one of the front runners. We are organising with Cheltenham Borough Council, a march through the centre of town next Saturday, 10th November and hoping that whoever takes part, will carry the name (which we will provide), of one of the many Heroes who gave their lives in the First World War 1914-1918. We would like very much for you to be there and if possible to take part. Please contact Geoff & Ann Ratcliffe on 07802 349636 or email grat1@btinternet.com for further information.

Newman Association

There will be a talk this Tuesday, 6th November at 7.30pm in the lounge of Sacred Hearts Hall, Moorend Rd, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham. Rev. Stephen Lambert will speak on "What is the Ordinariate"? All welcome. Admission: £3 (members & students free). Enquiries to Stephanie Jamison on 01242 539810.

Clifton Diocese

On **Saturday, 10th November** we gather at St Brendan's College, Brislington, (10.15am to 3pm) with David Wells who will help us reflect upon "*Encounter the Lord*". The day at St Brendan's is set to prepare us for the coming Year of Prayer (beginning the first Sunday of Advent) and introduce us to the resources that will be available to us from the end of November. All are welcome and it would be good if each parish was represented. **Whilst we do not need names it would be useful to have an idea of how many are coming from your parish: please let the Adult Education office know by 6th November. Participants will need to bring a packed lunch for this day.** On **Tuesday, 27th November** at 7pm in our Cathedral, Bishop Declan invites our parishes and communities to join him at a celebration of Evening Prayer during which he will present to each parish, community and school the resources for the Year of Prayer starting the following weekend. As we did with the Year of Mission, each community will be called forward to receive the Year's resources.

Sale of Bethlehem Goods

Will take place on Sunday, 18th November in the Old Priory after the morning Masses. Takings have been down this year and the poverty in Deheisheh camp, Bethlehem gets worse! Please come to buy your Christmas presents, tree decorations etc, at very cheap prices. Lots of Prices Reduced!

2019 Diocesan Directories

The new directories have now arrived and contain a wealth of information about the life and structures of the Church in our area, as well as numerous interesting news items from around our diocese. Also available are the 2019 liturgical diaries. Cost: Diary: £6.50; Directory £5.00. Please put monies in the newspaper box.

Youth Gathering

Young people aged 12-25 are invited to come to our Diocesan Youth Gathering on **Saturday 24th November** at St Brendan's College, Broomhill Road, Bristol. BS4 5RQ. The day begins at 11am and finishes at 4pm. There will be a celebration of St Oscar Romero & the Synod, great speakers, music and activities, including the launch of our new **Diocesan Youth Forum**. The day will finish with Mass & commissioning of young people. Under 18's must have a parental consent form, available to download from www.cliftondiocese.com Refreshments are provided, please bring a packed lunch. To book your parish group or individual place, email: youth@cliftondiocese.com

St Thomas More Christmas Fete

This will be held on Saturday, 1st December 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.

APF Red Boxes

Please hand in your red box to STG Sacristy or Presbytery, and to Mary Flood at St Thomas More, by Sunday, 18th November. Please ensure your name is on the box.

Repository

Available now from the Repository – Christmas cards and diary/prayer book.

Sick: We pray for all the sick of our parishes.

Deceased: Elizabeth Rowan RIP.

Anniversaries: Patrick Hannan, Kathleen Pett, Mary Vaughan, Joseph Bagan, Patrick Mullan, Sidney Ward, Bernard Doherty, Fr Gerry Rogers, Jenny Spring, Winifred Mitchell, Lucy Curtis, Monica Keating.