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The Feast of The Baptism of The Lord

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13th January 2019

Readings: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7; Acts 10: 34-38

Gospel: 'While Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened' (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22)



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THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

13th Sunday

5.00pm (Sat)	St Thomas More	Jacques Marie De Fougeroux RIP
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Hearts	Brian Moriarty RIP & Teresa Costello RIP
8.00am	St Gregory	Private Intention
8.15am	Sacred Hearts	Peter Graham Eden RIP
9.30am	St Gregory	Concetta Licata RIP
10.30am	Sacred Hearts	Tess Walsh RIP
11.15am	St Gregory	People of the Parish
6.00pm	St Gregory	John Quinn RIP

14th Monday

Weekday in Ordinary Time
 9.30am St Gregory Ian Costelloe RIP

15th Tuesday

Weekday in Ordinary Time
 9.30am St Gregory Gerard Joyce RIP
 10.00am Sacred Hearts St Edward's School Mass
 1.15pm St Gregory Requiem Mass for David Kelly RIP

16th Wednesday

Weekday in Ordinary Time
 9.30am St Gregory Ann Green RIP
 10.00pm Sacred Hearts Jean Lacock RIP

17th Thursday

Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot
 9.15am Sacred Hearts R. Strapp RIP
 9.30am St Gregory Lilian & Allin & Julie Martin RIP

18th Friday

Weekday in Ordinary Time
 9.15am Sacred Hearts Donor's Intention
NO 09.30am MASS
 11.00am St Gregory Requiem Mass for Patrick Kemple RIP

19th Saturday

Memorial of Saint Wulstan, Bishop
 9.00am Sacred Hearts Don Davey RIP
(No Confessions)
 9.30am St Gregory Evelyn Fiedalan RIP

Mass at Nazareth House: Daily at 10.00am

Baptisms

By arrangement with the Parish Office.

Cheltenham Young Catholic Adults

All forthcoming events will be advertised at: <http://cheltenhamcatholicadults.blogspot.com> 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

For help please email svpchelt@gmail.com or contact the parish office.

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: 17th January.

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 Gregory's Saturdays 10.00-11.00am. **St Thomas More** 4.30-4.45pm.

Sacred Hearts: Tuesdays 6.15-6.40pm (when there is an Evening Mass).

Finance

Last week's offertory collection came to £1,210.92(SG); £332.84, which includes £104.43 from the Kerala Community (STM); Bingo £140.00 (STM). Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

St Gregory's Renovation Thanksgiving Mass

Bishop Declan will celebrate Mass at St Gregory's Church at **11.00am on Saturday, 26th January 2019**. The attendance of Bishop Declan is to primarily bless the church following the extensive renovation work carried out in 2018. Following the Mass, there will be a light buffet reception at St Gregory's School, and the Bishop will be in attendance. Those who play any part as volunteers in the parish in whatever capacity, or have contributed in some way to the renovation of the church, are asked to register for the reception by means of the tear-off slip at the bottom of the newsletter before to next **Friday, 18th January**.

Ever Thought About Priesthood?

Perhaps you have wondered whether you might be called to the priesthood. Whether you are a young man or an older man, this could be the case. Why not come along and start a conversation about this and find out a bit more? On Sunday, 17th February, 12.30-1.30pm in the Apostle Room, at Clifton Cathedral, Clifton Park, BS8 3PX (straight after the 11.15am Mass). Alternatively contact: vocations@cliftondiocese.com

Vocations Weekend For Young Women

Theme: Follow your Heart/Discernment and Vocation

Dates: 15-17th February - Location: Liverpool

The weekend is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). **There is nothing quite like religious life – it's an extraordinary adventure into a deep relationship with God. For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org**

Stitch & Pray

We are now embarking on the production of another quilt to raise funds for the parish projects. If you would like to join us in making the quilt, the next meeting is Saturday, 19th January from 12.30-3.30pm in the Old Priory.

Foundation Governors

These Governors have an important part to play in ensuring the Catholic character of our schools. Skills from all areas are useful, such as; buildings, health & safety, finance, HR, education, parish and community work. Please call Cathy Hipkiss Chair at St Thomas More on 07733 005969 if you would like an initial chat about becoming a governor or email chair@st-thomasmore.gloucs.sch.uk.

Health & Safety/Church Maintenance

All issues relating to health & safety/maintenance should be notified to the following email address: mike.raftree@cliftondiocese.com

**Attendance for Reception at St Gregory's School
Saturday, 26th January 2019**

NAME (Block Capitals)

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Junior Youth Group

We are starting the New Year with more art, craft, music and games. The dates for this term and Easter are: 13th and 27th January, 10th and 24th February, 10th and 24th March and 14th and 28th April. Please come and join us for an hour after the 9:30 Family Mass! christine.fletcher@talktalk.net

Peace Vigil

As in past years, a group of us are intending to hold a half-hour Peace Vigil in the St Gregory's Church Lady Chapel in advance of Peace Sunday. You are most welcome to join us in person in St Gregory's for this silent half hour of prayer for peace, starting at 1pm next Friday, 18th January. If you are unable to be present, you might like to join in the vigil at home, either at 1pm or another convenient time. Perhaps you would also like to pass round this message, so others may take part. You can read the full text of the Pope's World Day Message for this year online.

Fashion Show - St Thomas More Hall Wednesday, 23rd January; doors open 7pm/show at 7.30pm. High street quality women's clothes available for purchase. Tickets £5 (includes a glass of wine), or pay on the door. Proceeds to St Thomas More Development Fund.

St Gregory's Primary School

Opportunity to work in our Parish School. Do you have/work for a local building firm? Would you like the chance to tender for a larger scale renovation project at St Gregory's school? If so, please let us know and we will provide you with the details of the project manager who can go through the project with you. We would love to use local businesses. If so, please email Mrs Blanch the Headteacher on: head@st-gregorygreat.gloucs.sch.uk Likewise, we have a need for local tradespeople to do odd-jobs around the school: gardening, carpentry, plumbing, small scale building, general grounds and building maintenance. If you're interested in us using your business for these jobs, please send your details to our School Business Manager, Mrs Salcombe by emailing: sbm@st-gregorygreat.gloucs.sch.uk We would LOVE to use local suppliers, especially our own parishioners.

Marriages at St Gregory's

Fr David writes: If you are thinking of getting married, you will be required to attend a marriage preparation course and be in contact with your Parish Priest. Please remember at least 6 months' notice is required to ensure the paperwork, enquiries and necessary permissions from the Marriage Tribunal have been obtained.

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

Deceased: Marie-Therese Ledoux & Christine Farrel RIP.

Anniversaries: Nancy O'Connor, Michael Perehinec, Daphne Garman, Irene Nash, Stephen Togher, Gordon Hackwell, Concetta Licata, Mary Flynn, Gerald Clarke, Agnes (Alison) Schofield), Mary Roison.