

Catholic Community in Cheltenham

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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12th MAY 2019

Readings: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17

Gospel: 'I give eternal life to the sheep that belong to me' (John 10: 27-30)



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Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary - Parish Priest: Fr Mark Moran
Parish Website: www.sacredhearts.org.uk

12th Sunday

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World Day of Prayer for Vocations

5.00pm (Sat)	St Thomas More	Soledao Russo RIP
8.00am	St Gregory	People of the Parish
9.30am	St Gregory	Private Intention
11.15am	St Gregory	Romulo Pansacala RIP
6.00pm	St Gregory	

13th Monday

Weekday of Easter

9.30am	St Gregory	Special Intention
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14th Tuesday

Weekday of Easter

9.30am	St Gregory	
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15th Wednesday

Weekday of Easter

9.30am	St Gregory	
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16th Thursday

Weekday of Easter

9.30am	St Gregory	Jane & Sarah Murray RIP
NO 6.30pm MASS AT ST THOMAS MORE		

17th Friday

Weekday of Easter

9.30am	St Gregory	K K John RIP
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18th Saturday

Weekday of Easter

9.30am	St Gregory	
1.30pm	St Gregory	Wedding of Rachel Underhill & Andrew Ford

Mass Times at Sacred Hearts, Charlton Kings

Sunday	5.30pm (Sat) 8.15am 10.30am 4.15pm (Polish)
Monday	NO MASS
Tuesday	7.00pm
Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.15am
Friday	9.15am
Saturday	9.15am

2Nazareth House Mass daily at 10.00am

Confessions

St Gregory's Saturdays
10.00-10.30am. **St Thomas More** 4.30-4.45pm.

Sacred Hearts: Tuesday
6.15-6.40pm (when there is an Evening Mass).
Saturday: 9.45-10.15am.

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 5.00pm-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: 23rd May. Speaker: Chris Robson "War Experience".

Choir Practice

In Church, Fridays 6.30pm. New members welcome.

Music Group Practice

In the Old Priory or St Thomas More every other Saturday,

Finance

Last week's offertory collection came to £1,227.80 (SG); £265.98 (STM); Bingo £150.00 (STM). Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Clergy Training Fund

Second collection today for Clergy Training Fund which supports those training for the Diocesan Priesthood. If you are a UK tax payer please consider giving by Gift Aid and complete the Declaration on the blue collection envelope.

Priests' Retirement Fund

There will be a second collection taken at all Sunday Masses next weekend (18/19 May) 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. The 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. Please take a yellow Gift Aid envelope for your donation.

4th Sunday of Easter Year

It is said that every shepherd has a different 'voice', a different way of communicating with his or her own sheep, so that when even when shepherds meet together and all their sheep are mixed up, an individual shepherd can move on knowing that only the sheep of his or her flock will follow. Jesus is our shepherd, the Good shepherd. He knows each one of us personally. It is comforting to know that we have someone who really cares about us and who calls us by name. In a world where there is a myriad of voices trying to capture our attention and entice us into this or that, we can be confident that there is one voice which offers us fullness of life if we choose to listen. In our following of Jesus, we come to know God and in knowing God we experience the goodness and kindness of God's love and mercy for each one of us.

Junior Youth Group

The dates for this Summer term are:- 19th May; 2nd & 30th June; 14th & 21st July. Please join us for an hour after the 9.30am Mass.

Caritas Magazine Editor

The current editor sadly needs to step down due to spending too much time away, therefore the Parish needs a new editor for Caritas magazine. For more information, please contact eventide_unicorn@yahoo.co.uk

St Thomas More Church Fete

Next Saturday, 18th May from 11.00am-1pm in STM Church Hall. Draw tickets: £1 each.

Stitch & Pray Group

Will be meeting next Saturday, 18th May, 12.30-3.30pm in the Old Priory. Help to make blocks for a new quilt which will be raffled for the parish projects, or bring your own stitching. Drinks and biscuits provided - £1 donation invited for materials. No experience necessary.

Bethlehem Parish Project

I have been working in Bethlehem for many years and for the past 6-7 years, it has been one of the 4 Parish projects. It has involved a lot of work, fundraising by selling goods from Bethlehem, and travelling there 3 or 4 times a year to take funding, clothes, vitamin tablets and school requisites etc for the 45 families that we regularly helped there. However, due to health issues, and depleted finances, I feel I cannot continue with the project, and I will be retiring after my final trip in June/July. Thank you very much to everyone who has supported me over the years. Please take a leaflet from the table at the back of Church for further information, or read the project notice in the Old Priory. Joanne Moston.

All Saints' Academy Consultation

The results of this Consultation are now displayed on the notice board, at the back of Church for your information.

Pray for Sri Lanka

Gloucester Cathedral is hosting a Choral Evensong on Friday, 17th May at 5.30pm to remember the victims of the Easter day bombings. All welcome. Please contact Johannes for more details on 07815 5496902.

Prinknash Abbey

25th May, 10.30am-12noon in the Meeting Room. History of the Church led by Abbot Martin McLaughlin OSB - The Two Natures of Christ and the Mother of God controversies. 26th May: following the 10.30am Mass, Procession & Crowning of the Statue of Our Lady.

1st June: Prinknash Monastery Chapel, 3-4pm. Divine Mercy Prayers, Exposition, Benediction, led by Abbot Martin McLaughlin. All welcome.

St Gregory's School

Has a vacancy for an outstanding teacher. Please find advert here: <https://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schoolvacancies/details.aspx?ID=19461&page=0> and phone Business Manager, Alison Salcombe, for more information about the post: 01242 513659 option 2. Closing date is the 15th May.

24-26 May Vocations Weekend (Liverpool) for young women

If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more, why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. For more information, contact Sr Lynne fcJ at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org

St Gregory's School

We have recently upgraded our Interactive Whiteboards at school. Therefore we have a number of Smartboards, with projectors, available for £50 per set. If you are interested in purchasing a Smartboard with projector, please contact Mrs Salcombe, School Business Manager at school on 01242 513659 option 2, or email sbm@st-gregorygreat.gloucs.sch.uk These will be sold on a first come, first served basis, and need to be removed from school before the 15th May.

Young people – We need you

Our Diocesan Day is taking place at St Brendan's College Bristol on Saturday, 6th July. We are looking for young people in school Year 10 and above to be an important part of the team. Your task is to be the face of the Diocese by introducing speakers and workshops, signposting people and making people welcome. You will also have the opportunity to take on the climbing wall and archery range as part of your day! We invite you to a training day on Saturday, 15th June 10am – 3pm at St Brendan's. If you and your friends would like to take part email youth@cliffondiocese.com and we'll send you more information.

Clifton Diocese Summer Camps

These Camps are now taking bookings for 2019. A residential week of outdoor activities, catechesis, faith development, friendship and much more, all for only £200 per child! More information available from the Clifton Diocese [website](http://www.livingyourfaith.co.uk), or go to <http://livingyourfaith.co.uk>. Week 1 (ages 7-11): 12-16 August, Week 2 (ages 12-16): 19-23 August.

Our Prayers are asked for:-

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

Anniversaries: John Cullen, Angela Pockett, Charles Mair, Kitty Cody, Joseph Carter, Marie-Claire Ralph, Jill Maryszcak.