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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	
Sunday, 14 th April	9.30am (Children's Mass)
Third Sunday of Easter	Josie Dunleavy RIP
	11.15am
	Bruce Sears-Davies RIP
	5.00pm
	Brigid Gillen RIP
Monday, 15 th April	NO MASS
Weekday of Easter	(CHURCH CLOSED)
Tuesday, 16 th April	9.30am
Weekday of Easter	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday, 17 th April	11.30am
Weekday of Easter	Requiem Mass for Pat Bonehill RIP
Thursday, 18th April	9.30am
Weekday of Easter	Souls in Purgatory
Friday, 19 th April	9.30am
Memorial of Saint Alphege,	Maureen McCabe RIP
Bishop, Martyr	
Saturday, 20 th April	9.30am
Weekday of Easter	Dec'd Members of The Cody Family
Sunday, 21st April	9.30am
Fourth Sunday of Easter	Aston & Hurley Families RIP
	11.15am
Good Shepherd Sunday	People of the Parish
	5.00pm
	Krystyna Oleszek RIP

Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00 - 10:30am

Our Sanctuary lamps this week are burning in memory of:

Main Altar: Phyllis Cremins RIP

Lady Chapel: Deceased Family & Friends of Teesdale Family

Readings for today's Mass



Scan the code on your smart phone or tablet and this will take you to the readings. This works for any day, not just Sundays.

Page: 258 in the Parish Mass Book

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement!

To arrange a wedding, an initial meeting with Fr David is necessary so that the canonical and civil processes can be explained and correctly followed. Couples need to give at least six months' notice.

ARRANGING A BAPTISM Congratulations on the birth of your baby!

First, parents must begin the process by seeing Fr David in person at a Sunday Mass. He can check a few simple facts. After this an appointment can, be made to fill in a baptism application form. We do not deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through other members of the family, but in person with the parents. They need to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.



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FUNERAL SERVICE

<u>Away Day Focussing on The Eucharist for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion &</u> Volunteers

If you are an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, a Catechist of any description, an adult altar server or anybody who requires a DBS check to function as a volunteer in the parish, you are warmly invited, and indeed encouraged, to attend an away day at *Sacred Hearts Parish, Saturday, 27 April.* The morning will commence with Mass at 10.a.m in the Church. This will be followed by two 45-minute sessions in the hall presented by Fr David on Jesus, the Passover, and the Eucharist, followed by a lunch break. Please bring your own lunch; tea and coffee will be provided. In the afternoon Janice Pearson, the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator will give a 45-minute training session on Safeguarding. The Catholic Church, as part of its serious commitment to safeguarding, has made it a requirement that all volunteers in parishes receive some safeguarding training. Janices's session will fulfil this requirement for anybody who requires a DBS check to function in a parish and would be a great opportunity to do this training with other volunteers on a face-to-face basis. The day will end shortly after 2pm.

Gift Aid Tax Refund Scheme

If you are a UK Taxpayer, you are eligible to allow Gift Aid to be claimed on your donations; declaration forms are available from the back of the church or from the parish office. Also, as we begin a new tax year, a gentle reminder to parishioners who donate with Gift Aid to inform the parish office if your tax status has changed, to ensure no claims are made incorrectly.

Cheltenham Laudato Si' Circle - Monday, 15 April, 7.30-9pm

Hosts 'An evening of sharing food, friendship & ideas' in the Old Priory. All welcome. See the Circle on https://www.facebook.com/groups/449497646814960 for full meeting details.

Mass for Marriage and Family Life

The Bishop, will be celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on **Saturday**, **25 May at 12noon** and is inviting all families to join him in acknowledging the joys & challenges of family life. Couples marking a significant anniversary during 2024 can contact adult.education@cliftondiocese.com with their address so that personal invitations can be sent to them from the Bishop.

Second Collection, Clergy Training Fund - next Sunday

There will be a second collection taken at all masses **next Sunday, 21 April,** for the Clergy Training Fund. This fund supports the training of our Clergy and, future clergy. Martyn Jones, a member of this parish, is currently training at Beda College, Rome, for the priesthood. Please remember him in your prayers.

<u>Vacancy - Head Teacher at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School</u>

St Thomas More Primary are seeking to appoint an inspirational and passionate Head Teacher who will build-on the success and Catholic ethos of our school. We are a strong, united family who are fully committed to developing the whole child in an inclusive and caring school environment. Please visit: https://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schoolvacancies/details.aspx?ID=31145&page=0 for details of the vacancy and visits to the school are warmly welcomed. Please contact chipkissgov@st-thomasmore.gloucs.sch.uk to arrange a visit. Closing date for applications is Wednesday, 10 April 24.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024: Friday 23-30 August 2024

There is still time to book to join us on the Pilgrimage. For information of the hotels we use, and the Bristol to Toulouse Flight, please contact Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com. For assisted pilgrims, you can book via the Catholic Association — Assisted Pilgrims www.catholicassociation.co.uk/assisted-pilgrims. Flights for assisted pilgrims are available from Birmingham and London Stansted. The Catholic Association are also looking for volunteer helpers, doctors / nurses, young helpers (17-25), musicians, fund raisers. Subsidies available. www.catholicassociation.co.uk/stage For more information please complete the online form at: CA Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024 - Expression of Interest (jotform.com) www.catholicassociation.co.uk/stage.

Your prayers are asked for those who have recently died: Johannah Bailey RIP.

Remember those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: David Windle, Joseph Maher, John Gilbertson, Patrick Wallace, Jim Gallagher, Denise Arthur, Patrick Daly, Edith Clark, Margot Collingbourn-Beevers, Mary Costello.