# St Gregory the Great Catholic Church



A parish in the Catholic Diocese of Clifton

10 St James' Square, Cheltenham, GL50 3PR

The parish office is open Monday to Friday, 9:00am till 1:00pm

Visit our website: stgregorys.org.uk

**Parish Priest:** Rev. David Mills **Permanent Deacon:** Rev. John Andrews

Parish Administrator: Michael Burnell

-Liturgy this Week-	
Sunday, 6th July	9:30am William Cremins RIP
Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time	11:15am Cynthia Orji RIP 5:00pm People of the Parish
<b>Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> July</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:30am Molly McKittrick RIP 12noon Wedding of Stefani Buoiman & Lloyd Tanagonan
<b>Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:30am Tony & Lucy Costello RIP
<b>Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>9:30am</b> Morning Prayer
Thursday, 10 <sup>th</sup> July Weekday in Ordinary Time Friday, 11 <sup>th</sup> July Feast of St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe	9:30am John McKenna & Joan Rutherford RIP 9:30am Deceased members of the Kinmond and Parker families
Saturday, 12 <sup>th</sup> July Our Lady on Saturday	9:30am Morning Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
Sunday, 13 <sup>th</sup> July Sea Sunday	9:30am Deceased members of the Cody family 11:15am
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Carol Winston-Jones RIP 5:00pm For the intentions of Michael Burnell

## Our Sanctuary lamps this week are burning in memory of:

**Sanctuary:** Deceased Brothers, family & friends of the Catenians **Lady Chapel:** Deceased family & friends of the Teesdale family

## Would you like to receive a copy of the parish newsletter by email?

Register your email address via the link on the home page of the parish website.

The newsletter will be sent out each Friday morning.



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### **Holy Rosary**

The holy rosary is prayed in Church each Friday evening at 5:00pm

## Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Each Saturday morning after Mass from 10:00 - 10:30am

#### **Arranging a Baptism**

Congratulations on the birth of your baby.
In the first instance you will need to speak with Fr David after Mass. Parents need to attend a preparation session

prior to the Baptism.

## Arranging a Wedding Congratulations on your engagement.

To arrange a wedding speak with Fr David after Mass. Couples need to give at least six months' notice of their intention to get married.

## **Safeguarding**

Our parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance, and both National and Diocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Owen Holbrook** and, can be contacted at: psr.

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## **Second Collection - Stella Maris**

**Next Sunday**, **13 July** is *Sea Sunday*, and a second collection will be taken at a Masses. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously.

### The Book Club - Lectio Divina

We will meet again on **Monday, 7 July at 7:00pm** in the Old Priory. We will be looking at Matthew 9:18-26

## Pastoral Area Pilgrimage to St James Chapel

St James is a not well enough known gem of our Diocese. Near to Winchcombe, this church dates back to 12th Century and has never been anything other than a Catholic Church - which makes it one of the oldest Catholic Churches in the country! As one of our Pastoral Pilgrimages this holy year, we are making a pilgrimage walk on **Saturday**, **26 July** from St Gregory the Great in Cheltenham to St James Chapel, a walk of about 8 miles and involving the ascent of Cleeve Hill. On arrival we will Celebrate Mass. Please click on or scan the QR code for more information and to sign up - *registration is essential for this pilgrimage*.



## **Glastonbury Pilgrimage**

The Diocese annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Glastonbury, will take place this year on **Sunday 7 September**. The theme for this year's Pilgrimage is "Mary, Woman of Hope," which aligns with the Jubilee Year's theme of "Pilgrims of Hope". Full details about the Pilgrimage can be found on the Diocesan website here:

https://cliftondiocese.com/pilgrimage/glastonbury-pilgrimage/ and on the Shrine of Our Lady of Glastonbury's website here:

https://www.glastonburyshrine.co.uk/pilgrimage at 7:00pm. Prayerful reading and conversation.

### **Stitch and Pray Group**

The Stitch and Pray group meet again **on Saturday**, **12 July from 1:00pm -4:00pm** in the Old Priory. All are welcome: bring your own craft or participate in the group quilt project and enjoy stitching, conversation, cake and prayer.

## **Pastoral Ministry Information Sessions**

The Diocese are now actively seeking to recruit for the next Pastoral Ministry Formation course which begins in Autumn 2025. The course is ideal for ANY parishioner who seeks to develop their capacity to serve the parish in any way which they believe the Lord is calling you. For more information, please see the poster displayed at the back of the Church or contact the department for Adult Education. <a href="mailto:adult.education@clfitondiocese.com">adult.education@clfitondiocese.com</a>. Your nearest information session will be held at **St Joseph's, Tewkesbury on Tuesday, 8 July** starting at 7:00pm.

## <u> Upcoming Event - Organ Recital</u>

Our parish organist, Dr August Guan, will be giving another recital at 2pm on **Saturday 19 July.** He will play music by Del Buono, Jean-Jaques Beauvarlet-Charpentier, and J.S. Bach. Entry is free with a retiring collection.

## Gift Aid

Many of our parishioners give generously to support the parish, and those who are able Gift Aid their donations so that we can claim an extra 25% from the Government at no extra cost to the donor. However, Gift Aid claims are only available to those who pay income and/or capital gains tax. Your donations qualify as long as they are not more than 4 times what you have paid in the tax year. For those who already Gift Aid, please review your tax position to make sure that you continue to be eligible; for those who don't, please consider adding Gift Aid if your tax position allows for it. *Please contact the parish office with any queries or to set up a new Gift Aid donation*.

## **Sunday Morning Masses - Live Stream**

You may not be aware that both Sunday morning masses are now live streamed on the parish website. The recordings of the masses remain available to view for a week. We are also looking for more volunteers to support the live streaming of the 11:15am Mass. If this is something that you are interested in helping with, please speak to Deacon John.

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday as part of the 9:30am Mass the Children's Liturgy takes place in the Old Priory. Children go out at the start of Mass and will return at the time of the Offertory so that they can celebrate the 'second part' of the Mass with us.

### Children's Mass Books

We now have a number of new Mass books for children. These are on the window shelf by the Baptistry. Please take a copy for use during Mass – but remember to return them after Mass

## **St Vincent De Paul Society**

Cheltenham SVP Conference exists to help anyone in need. If you could do with a helping hand, or know of someone else who does, we will ty to provide support. All requests are treated in confidence within the Conference. Please feel free to email <a href="mailto:sypcheltenham@gmail.com">sypcheltenham@gmail.com</a> or phone 07552819177.

### **Clifton Diocese - Formation Day**

The annual Formation Day will take place on **Saturday, 11 October** at St Brendan's College, Brislington, with Mgr. John Armitage (Parish Priest, Former Rector of the National Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham and Master of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom) as our keynote speaker. Anyone who has heard Mgr. John speak before knows what an inspiring and gifted priest and speaker he is. He will be reflecting on the theme of 'Being an Evangelist Today: the tools required to be a joyful witness of Jesus'. In addition, there will be several workshop options for people to attend. *More information in the Autumn but please put the date in your diary.* 

A further reminder: The number of people arriving late for mass, at times very late, is on the increase. Late arrival is distracting for other parishioners as well as for the clergy and being late is not the ideal preparation for attentiveness at mass. I understand that there will be times when being late is unavoidable. However, I would remind everyone of the need to make every effort to be in time for mass. It is also appropriate not to leave mass until after the final blessing. Can parishioners also be mindful when closing the door to ensure that it does not bang closed when entering or leaving the church. Thank you for your cooperation.

Remember in your prayers those whose Anniversaries occur this week: Arthur Beadle, Peggy Tostevin, Margaret Aubrey, William Cremins, Margaret Kelly, Evelyn Hannah, Margo Kinmond and Kathleen Jemetta

#### The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people
of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on
us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

## **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God.

the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down
from heaven, (bow) and by the Holy Spirit was
incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen

## THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

#### First reading

Isaiah 66:10-14c

Thus says the LORD: 'Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.'

For thus says the LORD:

'Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream;

and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip,

and bounced upon her knees.

As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants.'

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66(65)

#### Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God, 'How wondrous your deeds!'

'Before you all the earth shall bow down, shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God: his wondrous deeds among the children of Adam.

He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. Let our joy, then, be in him; he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God; I will tell what he did for my soul. Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer, nor withhold from me his merciful love.

#### Second reading

Galatians 6:14-18

Brothers and Sisters: Far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Colossians 3:15a, 16a

Alleluia, alleluia. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Alleluia.

#### Luke 10:1-9 Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

At that time: The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no money bag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace be to this house!" And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." '