



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Churchdown, Gloucester

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Sunday 4th November Thirty first Sunday in Ordinary Time D.P.L: Bristol, Downend, St Augustine of Canterbury, Frenchay St John Fisher, Kingswood Our Lady of Lourdes & St Bernadette, Chipping Sodbury St Lawrence with Yate		
	Services this week	In the Church Hall
Sun. 4th November <i>Cathedral Appeal</i>	8.30 am Mass: Pro populo 10.30 am Mass: McKelvey Family Intention 12.00 noon Baptism	COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm
Mon. 5th November	9.00 am: Morning Prayer 9.15 am: Molly Augustine R.I. P	Craft and Coffee group after Mass All Welcome
Tues. 6th November	9.00 am: Morning Prayer 9.15 am: Terri Tyreman Intention	Coffee and tea after Mass All welcome
Wed. 7th November	6.30 pm: Silent Exposition 7.00 pm: Sarah Beeston Intention	Our Ladybirds Stay and Play group All welcome - term time 9am – 11am SVP Group – 1 st Wed of mth at 6.30pm Private Hire – 2 nd Weds of mth 6.30pm
Thur. 8th November	9.00 am: Morning Prayer 9.15 am Private Intention	HALL HIRE: if you would like to book the church Hall please phone the parish office: 01452713254
Fri. 9th November <i>Feast of Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	9.00 am: Morning Prayer 9.15 am: M U George R.I.P and Anthony Mendez R.I.P	Meditation Group from 1pm PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm
Sat. 10th November <i>Memorial of St Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church</i>	9.00 am: Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass: Private Intention 9.45 - 10.15 am: Confessions	PRIVATE HIRE 1.30pm – 4pm
Sun. 11th November <i>Remembrance Sunday- Special Day of Prayer for All Victims of War</i>	8.30 am Mass: Pro populo 10.30am Mass: War Dead 12.30: Baptism	COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm

In our prayers
Anniversaries: Miley Connors (6 th), Rita Bullock (6 th), Michael Young (8 th), Ron Lee (9 th), Doreen Brimson (10 th), Stephen Andrew Artus (10 th) Dorothy Ferraro (11 th), Johnny Connors (11 th)
Prayers for the sick: Pat Crompton, Consolacion De Dios Blanco, Carol Benson, Wynn McGhee, Terry Poole, Ian Vilanueva, Vicky Dunn, Natalie Edwards, Nigel Lamb, Doreen Baker, Kieran Andersonn, Brian Phillips, Maria Kent, Edith Cull, Christopher Brown, Thomas Jayaseelan, Gordon Palmer, Michelle Cooke, Caitlin Godden, Alex Geddes, Maggie Hansell, Joan Geraghty, Bernadette Metcalf, Martin Thomas, Rebecca Lansdown, Peter Long, Angela Woulfe, Peter Kost, Kerrie Lane, Ian Wright, Nathan Wright, Carol While, Theresa Cooper and Geraldine Armitage.



We welcome everyone who is joining us today, and hope that you find it helpful to spend five minutes of silence and reflection before Mass: *We pray the Diocesan Prayer together:*

God our Father open the horizons of our minds and hearts so that we can see what hope your call holds for us. Pour out the overflowing gifts of your Spirit so that we, your church, may become a people of hope for our world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reign with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Lady. Woman of Hope pray for us. St. Peter, Rock of Hope, pray for us. St Paul, Apostle of Hope, pray for us.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 28thOctober 2018 was: £758

Thank you for your continued generosity.

RED BOXES and CAFOD boxes will be collected for emptying this November

Requiescat in pace:

Please, pray for the repose of the soul of Arthur Bottomley who have died. Please, pray for his family and friends in this difficult time.

*The Requiem Mass for Arthur Bottomley will be 16th November at 1.pm
"May He Rest in Peace"*



A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE – Mission

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY

Love is at the heart of the Gospel, at the heart of the Kingdom, at the heart of God's outreach towards us and at the very heart of mission. Our discipleship has to be about revealing and making known the very love of God in all we do. But if there is no love then it seems the mission is somewhat empty. You notice in today's Gospel that once again Jesus takes his listeners back to the Law of Moses. He's not reinventing anything, he doesn't seem to be teaching anything new – he simply restates, refocuses and draws his audience into an understanding of what we are called to be – loved and to love. Jesus puts love at the centre and at the heart of everything – love of God, love of neighbour, love of oneself. Take anything away from that and, as disciples, we limp along. We are invited to listen... to listen to God's word of love spoken in Jesus and to echo that love this week in the way we love. Videos –

A Year of St Mark: <https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/future-full-hope/a-year-with-st-mark/>

For more information visit the Diocesan website:

<http://www.cliftondiocese.com/presentation-year-mission-resource-clifton-cathedral-29-november/>

CAFOD Mass of Remembrance- the 7.00pm Mass on Wednesday 14th November 2018 at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Cheltenham Road East, Churchdown, Gloucester GL3 1HU will remember and hold in prayer all deceased CAFOD supporters from our diocese and celebrate their lives, faith and compassion. Everybody is welcome to attend. If you would like to remember a loved one (even if you cannot attend the Mass), please send their names to clifton@cafod.org.uk or phone the **CAFOD office on 0117 942 8328 by 9th November** and they will be included in the Book of Remembrance. There will be **Rosary and Exposition before the Mass at 6.00pm** which everyone is also most welcome to attend.

We would like to ask for volunteers for that evening to help with the Reading (1 reader) and Refreshments. Please sign-up on a list in the Narthex. Thank you.

CAFOD boxes: Please, bring your CAFOD boxes to Our Lady's Church so they can be emptied on November 11th

Red Box / Missio Annual Collection: If you are the Red Box holder, please, bring in your box for emptying. Please, leave it in the Sacristy & you are welcome to take a new box which you will find. If you do not currently hold a Red Box & you would like one, then please help yourself to one from the Narthex too. If you would like to make a donation to Missio, then please leave in an envelope clearly marked in the Sacristy & this will be banked too. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Andrea on andrea.jwarner@icloud.com or 07530 925090.

Missio APF/Mill Hill: There will be four Mission Masses taking place around our Diocese. The one nearest us is on Friday 16 November at 7.00pm at Saint Patrick, Brockworth.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2019: If you are in the Y9 or above and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year by Bishop Declan, please complete an enrollment form. Enrollment Forms for the course are available in the Church Narthex. Please complete and return to the Parish Office with the copy of your baptismal certificate (not required if baptised at O.L.O.P.S.) A meeting for candidates and their parents will be held on Tuesday, 13 November at 7.30 in Our Lady's Church.

First Holy Communion Programme 2019: The Parents meeting took place last week. The course will begin on Sunday the 9th of December with a mass of Enrolment at the 10.30 Mass. This will be followed by meeting in the school at 11.30 with children and their catechists. If there are any outstanding application forms, please, return them to the Parish Office asap. Spare forms are available on the table at the back of the church. Please, contact Parish Office for the course book 'God Greatest Gift' preparing for first communion. There is a cost of £15.

If you would like to join the Team as a volunteer with the First Holy Communion, please let Father Paul know or contact the Parish Office.

Diocesan Directories and Liturgical Year Books for 2019: Now available in the Narthex. Diaries £ 5.00 and directories £6.50

The Pulse: New edition for October – November 2018 has been issued. Please, find it in the Narthex.

November prayer for the deceased:



At all Masses during November there will be a lit candle on the sanctuary in memory of and to remind us to pray for our deceased relatives and friends and those who have no one to remember them. There will be a special leaflet (purple) available for you on which you can write the name of your loved ones who have died. You can place these in the basket at the front of the altar. These special leaflets will be available for you in the Narthex.

Bishop Declan: is inviting our diocesan community to come together ahead of the launch of the Year of Prayer: Saturday, 10 November 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. Those interested in representing the parish please contact the parish office by 5 November. 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 6 November. Participants will need to bring a packed lunch for this day.

On Tuesday 27 November at 7pm, Bishop Declan invites our parishes and communities to join him at Clifton Cathedral for a celebration of Evening Prayer during which he will present to each parish, community and school the resources for the Year of Prayer starting this Advent.

Cathedral Appeal: Annual Cathedral Collection will take place as the second collection on the 4th November. Thank you very much for your support and generosity so far. The Cathedral is dry and weatherproof, the heating system has been refurbished, the lighting has been renewed and will have installation of the sound system completed soon. Although, the planned works on the Cathedral building have finished, there are works left to be carried out. Next priorities are external lighting, upper and lower car parks, the adjoining walkways which need repairing. We would be most grateful if you could make whatever contribution you can. Should you wish to make a contribution, please, take a leaflet and envelopes from the Narthex

Clifton Diocese Youth Gathering: Young people aged 12-25 are invited to come to Diocesan Youth Gathering on **Saturday 24th November** at St Brendan's College, Broomhill Road, Bristol. BS45RQ. 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

Newman Association: There will be a talk on **Tuesday 6 November at 7.30pm**, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts Hall, Moored Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. **Revd Stephen Lambert will speak to us on What is the Ordinariate?** All are welcome. Admission: £3 (members & students free). Enquires to Stephanie Jamison, tel: 01242 539810. Thank you. God Bless

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for Young Catholic (18 -35ish): Downside Abbey and Clifton Diocese Vocations Ministry are organizing pilgrimage (24 July to 2 August 2019) to many Holy Christian sites in Israel and Palestinian Territories. For further information on itinerary, pricing and booking, please contact Rina at rinabird@outlook.com

Gloucester City Mission: Annual General Meeting: is inviting you to come and join in their celebration of the last year. It will take place on 22 November at 7.30pm. George Whitfield Centre, 107 Great Western Road GL13NF, from Dave Kinghorn and trustees. All welcome. Should you have any questions you would like to rise at the meeting, please let our office know by 15th of November on 01452910922 or via email admin@gloscitymission.org.uk

Hospital stay: *It is essential that individuals and families let either the parish or the chaplaincy know if somebody is in hospital. To leave a message on the chaplaincy answer phone, call 0300 422 4286 for Cheltenham or 0300 422 6200 for Gloucester, stating clearly the name of the Catholic Patient, and, if known, what ward they are on. If you are able to see a priest and receive the Sacrament of the Sick before you go into hospital, please do so.*

Gloucester Food Bank (GFB): Annual report of the Foodbank Activities from April – April financial year 2017/2018 gave figures of 13.9 per cent increase in the amount of food parcels distributed to the people in need. Overall figures show that Gloucester Foodbank received 3.421 client referrals which provided 6.691 emergency parcels during the year. Of these parcels, 2.214 went to the families with children under 16. As an indication of the amount of food that had been given out, it weighted a staggering 58.7 tonnes, more than that of four double-decker busses. However, an increase of nearly 15% in demand with introduction of Universal credit combined with months of disruption from work to subsidence at out building and more rejections from potential funders than in previous years 'has left us with the unprecedented funding situation'. Supported by Tesco, based on the food collected in their stores, GFB will get some financial help from ASDA support fund as well. However, more financial support is needed to rise an extra £20 000 before the end of March 2019 for which we hope and prayerfully trust you might be able to help us with. Thank you.

Thank you for your constant generosity in donations to the food bank. Most needed items are: Tinned Tomatoes, Packed Mash, Packet Savoury Noodles, Packet Past 'n' Sauce, Tinned Cold Meat (e.g ham) Gloucester Food Bank is open to clients on Monday, Wednesday, Friday's between 12 – 3.00pm. On Thursday, from 11.30 am – 2.30 pm. Closed on weekend and Tuesday.

Adult Education Inter-Faith Week 2018: On Wednesday 14 November, at 7.15pm the Inter-Faith Conversation focusing on peace,

be 'chaired' by Professor Gavin D'Costa, will be held in the Apostle Room of Clifton Cathedral. Distinguished speakers, professor Sajjad Rizvi, Dr Alexander Goldberg and Jacob Fareed Imam, will unfold in conversation an understanding of peace held at the centre of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Refreshments will be available from 6.30pm. All are most welcome

CAFOD Retreat- Saturday 10 November- Countering Consumerism: Lessons from Gaudete et Exultate: What does it mean to be holy? How can we find holiness given our busy modern lives? Downside Abbey Stratton-on-the-Fosse, Radstock BA3 4RJ. A simple lunch will be provided. Donations would be welcome. BOOKING ESSENTIAL as limited spaces-contact Liz Baldwin at CAFOD Clifton - clifton@cafod.org.uk or 01179 428 328

Retreat opportunities at Downside Abbey: Living a Liturgical Life – Monastic Retreat 16 – 17 November aimed for all Catholic men (age 18-35) who are considering a vocation to the priesthood or the religious life. Any enquiry contact Don Anselm at (downsidevocation@downside.co.uk) by 9th November.

Help UK Air Ambulance Services by recycling your Used Postage Stamps: The UK's Air Ambulance Services are charities which receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies. We are now volunteering our time to help raise funds through the recycling of postage stamps. All funds raised will be donated to the Association of Air Ambulances to be distributed equally to all UK Air Ambulance Services Stamps can be posted to: Air Ambulance - Stamp Appeal, 59 Mitre Copse, Bishopstoke, Near Eastleigh, Hants SO50 8QE

Parish Office open Tuesday - Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm. Please submit items for the Bulletin to the Presbytery by WEDNESDAY. If you would like to receive a weekly electronic version of this bulletin, please email: churchdown.ourlady@cliftondiocese.com