



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Churchdown Gloucester

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Sunday 26th November 2017 – Thirty-Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

DPL: St Gregory the Great with Prestbury / Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary / Thomas More Cheltenham

Services this week		In the Church Hall
Sun. 26 Nov <i>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY 8.30 am Mass: People of the Parish 10.30 am Mass: Seamus Doherty (Anniv) First Communion Welcome Mass at 10.30am in church followed by children's preparation session in St Mary's School hall.	COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm
Mon. 27 Nov <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass: Private Intention	Craft and Coffee group All Welcome - 9am – 11am term time
Tues. 28 Nov <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass: Kenneth Rendel RIP	Coffee Club after Mass
Wed. 29 Nov <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass: Lee Ints	Our Ladybirds Stay and Play group All welcome - 9am – 11am term time SVP Group 1 st Wednesday of month from 6.30pm
Thur. 30 Nov <i>Feast of St Andrew</i>	2.30pm – 5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament All welcome – please sign the sheet in the Narthex. 7.30 pm Mass: Fr Paul Brandon's induction as our Parish Priest with refreshments in the school hall afterwards (see notice). ** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIME **	HALL HIRE: If you would like to book the church Hall for an event or group please contact Elizabeth Thomas in the Parish office: 01452 713254
Fri. 1 Dec <i>Memorial of St Alexander Briant</i>	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass: Fr Kevin Hennessey Ints	Meditation Group from 1pm PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm
Sat. 2 Dec <i>Memorial of St Osmund</i>	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass: Private Intention Confessions 9.45am – 10.15am or on request	PRIVATE HIRE 2pm – 4pm
Sun. 3 Dec <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	8.30 am Mass: Gribben family RIP 10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 am Mass every Sunday PRIVATE HIRE 7pm – 9 pm

In our prayers

Anniversaries: Charles Bishop (26th), Tony Clark (26th), Maureen Rea (26th), William Doran (27th), Lewis Townsend (27th), Bernadette Cuffe (27th), Seamus Doherty (29th), Peter Greenwood (30th), Ivy Marcus (1st), Elizabeth Callaghan (2nd) and John Parkinson (3rd).

Prayers for the sick: Pat Crompton, Consolacion De Dios Blanco, Carol Benson, Wynne McGhee, Terry Poole, Ian Vilanueva, Vicky Dunn, Natalie Edwards, Nigel Lamb, Doreen Baker, Anna Ryder, Keian 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, Judi Figgures, Rebecca Lansdown, Angela Woulfe, Peter Kost, Margaret West-Sadler, Kerrie Lane, Ian Wright, Carol While, Theresa Cooper, Geraldine Armitage and Ken Marcus.



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:

During November, month of the Holy Souls, we pray together...

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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 available for you in the Narthex 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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION for 19th November 2017 amounted to £452 + £398 = £850

Second Collection for the Catholic Youth Service amounted to £95 ~ Thank you for your generosity

National Youth Sunday is TODAY – It is an opportunity to celebrate young people and the gift they are to our church. Your generous giving for National Youth Sunday 2016 enabled over 200 young people from the Clifton Diocese to travel to Wembley Arena for CYMFed Flame, it helped fund our summer camps and enabled catechists and leaders to come together for our Diocesan Youth Congress. This year's second collection will directly support Youth Ministry in the Clifton Diocese, contributing to our Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage, facilitating Youth Ministry training for leaders and catechists, and providing a bursary fund for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds to attend the new 'Living your faith' Diocesan Summer Camps in the Forest of Dean and other Catholic events. Your donation makes a real difference to young people in your parish and the Clifton Diocese. Thank you! **Special white Gift Aid envelopes are available in the Narthex.**

FR PAUL BRANDON'S INDUCTION MASS

**** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIME/REFRESHMENT VENUE ****

Here at Our Lady's at **7.30pm on Thursday 30th November**
with **bring and share refreshments in the SCHOOL HALL afterwards.**

please bring a plate of finger food to the **YEAR 4 CLASSROOM** before Mass, clearly marked with what it is (in case of allergies etc.). If you would like to bring a bottle of something to share, please do so. There will be a glass of 'fizz' on arrival in the hall after Mass, with tea and coffee/some soft drinks available.

If you are able to help with this event please contact Elizabeth in the Parish Office

by phone 01452 713254 or email churchdown.ourlady@cliftondiocese.com

Sign up on the list in the narthex:

- **Make tea/serve drinks,**
- **direct cars in the car park,**
- **organise/bring in food as people drop it off from 6pm,**
- **set out tables,**
- **put out food when the school hall becomes available,**
- **clearing up the hall afterwards,**
- **put away tables**

I would like to arrange for teams to take on different jobs before and after the event so that it does not become an onerous task or very long night for anyone. Thank you, Elizabeth.

ST PETER'S HIGH SCHOOL 6TH FORM CENTRE OPEN EVENING: Wednesday 29th November from 6.30pm. St Peter's offer a wide selection of A-levels and Level 3 BTEC Courses plus enrichment options. Please see poster in the Narthex or visit www.stpetershighschool.org.uk for more information.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE: Friday December 8th, 4.30pm – 7pm. Raffle tickets will be on sale after both Masses on Sunday. ALL WELCOME.

MISSIO APF / MILL HILL (RED BOX) Collection throughout November: We are now emptying all Red Boxes. If you have a Red Box / Missio collection brown envelope please bring it into Church throughout the Masses of November & leave in the Sacristy, where it will be emptied & returned the following week. If you have any queries please contact Andrea Warner on 07530 925090.

Faith and Light (Gloucestershire): Next meeting Sunday 3rd December. This is a Christian Association that brings together people with special needs of all ages, their families and friends for some worship followed by refreshments and some fun/craft activities. **This month we are making advent wreaths to take home.** Meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month at 3pm in English Martyrs Church Hall, Tuffley Lane, Tuffley, Gloucester GL4 0NX. For further details please contact Fr Gerry gerry.walsh@priest.cliftondiocese.com or 01452 412702 or Shelley Sullivan on 07808608991 or Shelley1270@gmail.com



A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE – Mission

Advent 2017-2018
The Gospel of Mark

On **Wednesday 29th November at 7pm**, there will be a Liturgy in Clifton Cathedral. At this gathering of our diocese Bishop Declan will launch the Year of Mission by presenting each parish and community with the resource booklet called 'A future full of hope: Mission'. Our parish will be represented by Fr Paul Brandon, Jackie Bailey and Anne Jewell, but all are welcome to attend. The purpose of the booklet is not just to stimulate conversation but to re-invigorate our active engagement with the mission of the church.

There will be resources available through the Year of Mission, detailed in the booklet.

Below are some dates for the diary:

- Evening Liturgy & Presentation of the 'Year of Mission' – 29th November 2017
- Celebrating Marriage – 3rd February 2018
- Annual Diocesan Day – 30th June 2018
- Glastonbury Pilgrimage – 8th July 2018
- Lourdes Pilgrimage – 24th-31st August 2018
- The national Eucharistic Congress – 7th-9th September 2018
- Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – 22nd-30th October 2018

For more information visit the Diocesan website:

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

St Peter's Catholic High School Production of Ken Ludwig's 'Twas the Night Before Christmas' is on **Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th and Friday 8th December** in the Drama Theatre. Ticket cost for Adult £6, Children £4. A grotto will be open from 6pm in the drama studio where you can see Santa and take part in fun activities. The PFA will be selling refreshments on the evening. Theatre doors open at 6:20pm with the performance starting at 6:30pm. Tickets available from BoxOffice@sphs.uk.com or school Reception 01452 520594.

SALE OF BETHLEHEM GOODS: Joanne Moston will again be visiting the area with items suitable for Christmas Gifts from Bethlehem for sale. **SATURDAY 2ND & SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER – Prinknash Abbey Café and SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER after morning Masses at St Gregory's, Old Priory.**

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION TALK: Tuesday 5 December at 2.30pm, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. **Fr Tibor Szende** will speak on **The Contemplative and Secular Priesthood**. All welcome. Admission: £3. Students and members free. Enquires to Stephanie Jamison, tel: 01242 539810.

SPIRITUALITY OF MARY – A QUIET DAY FOR ADVENT: Tuesday 5th December, 10am-3pm, Tewkesbury Abbey Parish Room, Church Street, Tewkesbury GL20 5RZ. £10 – to reserve a place contact Penny Lidstone on penny@lidstone.net or 01452 741410. www.snfnglos.org.uk

TAIZÉ SERVICES: Wednesdays 7.30pm as follows - 6th December praying for the light. St Mary de Lode Church, St Mary's Square, Gloucester GL1 2QX. Please see poster in the Narthex for further information.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: On Saturday 9th December Deacon Richard Elson will be ordained to the priesthood. There is a coach departing from St Peter's Church, Gloucester at 9.15am. Seats cost £5 per person and you must book your place with St Peter's. tel. 01452 523603.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT FOR SAMARA'S AID APPEAL: Saturday 9th December at 7.30pm the Wide Valley Singers will perform a festive concert at **St Andrew's Church, Churchdown**, in support of Samara's Aid Appeal (SAA). The programme will include well known Christmas numbers, traditional carols, and a short video about the work of SAA providing aid to refugees in the Middle East. During the interval there will be a raffle, mulled wine and mince pies. Tickets, £5 including refreshments, from St Andrew's Church Office: 01452 712154 or email: admin@standrewschurchdown.org

DIOCESAN EVENT: LIVING STONES – RETREAT DAYS FOR CATECHISTS & YOUTH LEADERS: Youth Leaders, Catechists, teachers, clergy & all interested in Youth Ministry are invited to take time to explore, reflect & pray on our Youth Ministry Retreat. **Saturday 20th January 2018 at Brownhill Monastery, Stroud.** 10am – 4pm. Lunch provided. Cost £20 per person. Booking essential, email: youth@cliftondiocese.com

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 to hospital, please do so.

VOLUNTEER DELEGATES WANTED: Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress "Adoremus" - Liverpool 2018, 7TH – 9TH September 2018. Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. On the first day of the Congress, there will be a Theological Symposium, with workshops for parish catechists, (especially for those involved in First Holy Communion programs), RE teachers, Hospital and Prison Chaplains, Seminary Communities and Extraordinary Ministers. **For more information please visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/adoremus2018> If you would like to attend please see Fr Paul or contact the parish office.**

St. Peter's High School, Gloucester – Vacancies:

Casual Exam Invigilator: We are looking to recruit a number of casual Exam Invigilators to oversee and supervise examinations and to ensure that guidelines and regulations for the integrity and security of the examination papers and procedures are followed during examination sessions. Hourly Rate: £8.57 (including holiday pay). Further information available on Eteach or please contact Karen Thompson - recruitment@sphs.uk.com

Cleaner (Permanent Contract): We are looking to recruit a number of cleaners for the school. £7.50 per hour, Monday to Friday - 4.00 - 6.30pm (flexible days). Also working 1 Week at Easter and 2 weeks during the summer holidays (Flexible hours). If you are interested please contact Karen Thompson - kthompson@sphs.uk.com
Human Resources Officer, Tel: 01452 520594 (reception)

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX:

ADVENT LITERATURE: Day by Day £1, Bible Alive £2.50, Walk with Me £1, Children's Advent Calendar FREE.

Christmas catalogues: CAFOD World Gifts and CCS Adoption Christmas Catalogues – Please take one

DIOCESAN DIARIES AND DIRECTORIES 2018: Directories = £5, Diaries = £6.

Message of Jesus – an anthology of poems by K. L. Patrick Jayatilleke – (suggested minimum donation £2 per book).

CTS (CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY): CTS Ebooks are available - For more info. please visit www.ctsbooks.org/ebooks

200 CLUB: If you would like to join please contact Paddy on 01452 309004 or e-mail the parish office churchdown.ourladys@cliftondiocese.com

BAPTISM: If you are seeking Baptism for your child please phone or email the Parish Office to register for the preparation course, to arrange a date for the baptism and to obtain a baptism application form. Tel: 01452 713254
Email: churchdown.ourladys@cliftondiocese.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: If your child is in year 3 or above and would like to make their First Holy Communion next June, please contact Elizabeth Thomas at the parish Office for an application form and information on our parish preparation – email: churchdown.ourladys@cliftondiocese.com



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Parish Administrator: Elizabeth Thomas. Parish Office open Tuesday - Friday 9.15am – 12.30pm.

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