



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Churchdown Gloucester

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Sunday 6th November 2016 - Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun. 6 Nov	8.30 a.m. Mass: Maryvonne Tang (RIP) 10.30 a.m. Mass: People of the Parish COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 a.m. Mass every Sunday	DPL: Our Lady of the Apostles Cheddar / St Joseph and St Teresa Wells
Mon. 7 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Vocations to the priesthood & consecrated life	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Tues. 8 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Thomas O'Malley (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Wed. 9 Nov	7.00 p.m. Exposition and Rosary 7.30 p.m. Mass: Dorina Emanuelli (Ints)	<i>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>
Thur. 10 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Rob Mackay (RIP)	<i>Memorial of St. Leo the Great</i>
Fri. 11 Nov	11.00 a.m. Funeral Mass for Rob Mackay	<i>Memorial of St. Martin</i>
Sat. 12 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Joan Byrne (RIP) CONFESSION: 9.45 a.m. – 10.15 a.m. or on request	<i>Memorial of St. Josaphat</i>

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Miley Connors (6th), Rita Bullock (6th), Michael Young (8th), Ron Lee (9th), Doreen Brimson (10th), Dorothy Ferraro (11th), Johnny Connors (11th), Toni Richardson (12th), Michael Casey (12th) and Harriet Park (12th)



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 together...

Holy Mary, sublime icon of redeemed humanity, model of missionaries for the Church, teach all men, women and families, to open their hearts to the whole of humanity and to foster and safeguard the living and mysterious presence of the Risen Lord. **Amen**

R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Collins, a long-standing and faithful parishioner of our parish who died recently. Please also remember his family and friends at this difficult time.

Peter's funeral has taken place.

"May He Rest In Peace"



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Rob's funeral will take place here on Friday 11th November at 11.00 a.m.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS: Pat Crompton, Consolacion De Dios Blanco, Carol Benson, Wynne McGhee, Terry Poole, Ian Vilanueva, Jim (Seamus) Doherty, Vicky Dunn, Natalie Edwards, Nigel Lamb, Doreen Baker, Anna Ryder, Keian Andersonn, Brian Phillips, Maria Kent, Edith Cull, Christopher Brown, May Noble, Thomas Jayaseelan, Gordon Palmer, Michelle Cooke, Caitlin Godden, Jo Beamish, Alex Geddes, baby Maggie Hansell, Joan Geraghty, Bernadette Metcalf, Martin Thomas, Judi Figgures, Rebecca Lansdown, Angela Woulfe, Phyllis Shore and Peter Kost

OFFERTORY COLLECTION for 23 Oct amounted to £422 + £350 = £772
and for 30 Oct amounted to £441.350 = £791. Second collection for World Mission Sunday amounted to £93.72
Thank you so much for your generosity.
There is a **second collection TODAY** for the Cathedral Fund



TODAY at 3PM ~ FAITH & LIGHT (Gloucester Community): A Christian Association that brings together people with special needs, their families and friends. Meetings are held on the **first Sunday of the month** (except January) at 3pm in Our Lady's church hall. For further details contact Fr. Kevin on 01452 713254 or email kevin.hennessey@priest.cliftondiocese.com or Shelley Sullivan on 07808608991 or Shelley1270@gmail.com

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING will take place **TODAY at 6:30pm** at the Methodist Church, this will follow a similar format to last years with space given to remember those we have lost through death, with the opportunity to write their names in a book of remembrance and a few comments along with lighting a candle in their memory. **ALL WELCOME.**



NOVEMBER PRAYER FOR THE DECEASED: At all Masses during November there will be a lighted 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 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.

CONFIRMATION: If your child is in year 8 or above and would like to be Confirmed by Bishop Declan next June, please see Fr. Kevin or contact the Parish Office for more information.

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.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER DAYS AT PRINKNASH ABBEY 2016: all welcome

Prinknash Abbey Saturday groups 2016: in the meeting room close to the café. **Sat Nov 12th** 3pm – 4pm Rosary and Chaplet in the Abbey Chapel. **“Bible in a year”**- The Gospels and Acts; **5th Nov:** The N T Letters; **3rd Dec:** The Book of Revelation. **“Exploring Faith”** 2-4pm : **5th Nov:** Is There Hope for the World? ; **3rd Dec :** Exploring the Meaning of Christmas. **Sat 10th Dec** 11am – 3pm Day of Prayer for the whole world: 11am Talk in the meeting room. Break for lunch. 1pm Mass in the abbey chapel, rosary, adoration and afternoon prayer. 2.45pm Chaplet

VOCATION MATTERS: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ” (2 Thessalonians 3:5)

Inspirational picture quotes adorn the walls of many houses. Often these ring true with Christian teaching. Here's an example from Neale Donald Walsch: “This is what is meant by being single minded. If you choose something, choose it with all your might, with all your heart. Don't be faint-hearted. Keep going! Keep moving toward it. Be determined”. That's not a bad motto for being faithful to Jesus' call to follow Him. The only thing to remember is that Jesus chose us first and we need to keep listening to His voice as we step out in faith with Him.

GLOUCESTER DEANERY – CLOSING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR MERCY HOLY DOOR, CLIFTON: Sunday November 13th at 6pm. For those people who have asked for a seat on the coach to Clifton, **the coach will depart from the layby (by the court building) opposite St Peter's Church in Gloucester at 4.15pm** as there is nowhere for the coach to stop directly outside the church. The coach is fully booked – If you put your name on the list in church you have been allocated a seat.

ST. EDWARDS' SCHOOL OPEN DAY – Friday 11th November 9.30am – 3pm. St Edwards is a Catholic Independent School based in Cheltenham. They offer 100% bursary/scholarships based on financial need and while open to all, Catholics are given preference. This year they are offering 6th form, year 7 and year 9 scholarships. For more information, please see notice and information cards in the Narthex or visit www.stedwards.co.uk

CAFOD Retreat November 12th - as this Year of Mercy draws to a close, you are invited to join a CAFOD retreat to explore how each of us can continue to live out Pope Francis' call to be "witnesses of mercy" in our families, communities and in our world. During the day, we will explore the Scriptures and Church teaching together. We will also take time to learn from each other's experiences and to be inspired and enriched by stories from CAFOD's campaigning and work overseas. The retreat is free of charge. All are welcome, whether or not you are already involved with CAFOD's campaigns. **Saturday 12 November 2016, 10am-4pm at Ammerdown Centre, Ammerdown Park, Clifton, Radstock, BA3 5SW**. Book your free place at cafod.org.uk/retreat

CONVERSATIONS IN MERCY: Wednesday 16th November at 7.15pm. As we begin to draw near to the close of the Jubilee Year, we enter into conversation with Archbishop Kevin McDonald, Rabbi Natan Levy and Professor Sajjad Rizvi seeking to better understand the God of Merciful love through the lens of Christianity, Judaism and Islam. Apostle Room, Clifton Cathedral, Bristol. Refreshments from 6.30pm. All welcome. Please see poster in the Narthex

ST. PETER'S PRAYER & PRAISE EVENING: Our November guest speaker will be Danny Connors on **17th November 2016** at St. Peter's church at 7.30 p.m. There will be no meeting in December.

COME WITH US! Big Church Live Event with Tim Hughes and Rueben Morgan from Hillsong on **Friday 18th November 7:20pm** at The Forum Bath. A great night of praise and worship music! A coach will be leaving St Peter's RC High School at 4:15pm. Event finishes at 10pm Tickets and coach £20 youth £25 adults available from Mandy contact on 07775895814 or mandybaker@live.co.uk be quick! All welcome!

At 8.00 pm on Friday 18th November, Clifton Cathedral will host a screening of the 1916 documentary film depicting the early days of the Battle of the Somme, accompanied by a new musical score by Laura Rossi performed live by the Bristol Symphony Orchestra. Tickets available on the door, costing £20 (or £15 for seats with a restricted view), but are also available in advance from www.bristolsymphonyorchestra.com at a slight discount. A pre-concert talk in the Apostle Room will take place from 7pm to 7.30pm, with a complimentary drink. This event is part of an international project bringing together a hundred live orchestral performances and screenings of the film to mark the one hundredth anniversary of the Battle of the Somme.

DOWNSIDE ABBEY: Sealing of the Holy Door. Saturday 19th November 8am – 5pm. Join the Monastic Community for a full day of events to reflect upon the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Sealing of Holy Door and Mass at 3.30pm. All welcome for all or part of the day. Refreshments provided but please bring a packed lunch. Tel 01761 235100 www.downside.co.uk



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE: During November we take time to pray and give thanks for all our dear friends who have been such an important part of our work but are sadly no longer with us. You are warmly invited to our CAFOD Memorial Mass on **23 November at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Cheltenham Road East, Churchdown, Glos GL3 1HU. 7.00 pm: prayer 7.30 pm: Memorial Mass**. Mass will be said in memory of all CAFOD supporters who have passed away. **If you would like someone to be included in our book of remembrance, please send us their name.**

MARY-JESS IN CONCERT AT OUR LADY'S on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Join former St Peter's Student, Mary-Jess here on **Thursday 15th December** at 7.00 pm for a magical evening of carols and Christmas songs! Mary-Jess will be performing many Christmas favourites as well as songs from her new album 'Prayer to a Snowflake'. Tickets available soon or online now: <http://www.mary-jess.com/shop/gloucester-concert-ticket-3>

FLAME 2017: Young people aged 14-21 are invited to join Bishop Declan, with young people from across the Clifton Diocese, and the UK at Flame 2017 in Wembley Arena on **Saturday 11th March 2017**. Clifton Diocese Youth Ministry are offering ticket, travel & T-Shirt all for just £45 per person. Places are filling up fast, so go to www.cliftondiocese.com/flame for more details and to book your place. Parish Groups can also find group booking forms on the website.

CHURCH SECURITY AUDIT: We have recently had our church security arrangements reviewed and have been advised to upgrade by installing CCTV in the church buildings. If you have any questions or comments please contact the parish office or speak to Fr. Kevin.



NEW: Parish Craft & Needlework Group – Fortnightly between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m.

Do you like to knit, sew or crochet? Would you like to chat with likeminded people to share ideas and gain confidence in a craft? Have you wanted to learn a new craft but not sure where to start or need a little confidence boost? This new group in the parish hall of Our Lady’s Churchdown will be the perfect place.

The idea is to come together fortnightly with other crafty parishioners of all ages and abilities in a relaxed environment for a chat and a cuppa while working on our craft. Please bring yourselves and any materials you may need. Suggested donation £2.50 per session (towards refreshments and hall upkeep costs). **Following dates: 7th Nov, 21st Nov, 5th Dec.** Organiser: Natalie Edwards Contact 01452 678565 or email natalie.edwards@hotmail.co.uk

PLEASE Note: The Ladies Group will not be continuing but anyone wishing to meet up for a coffee and a chat is welcome to come along to the Craft Group on a Monday.

HOMILIES AVAILABLE: Podcasts of Sunday’s homilies at Our Lady’s are available on the parish website for the housebound who cannot come to church or anyone else who would like to access them. The link to the website is: <http://www.ourladyschurchdown.org.uk/> and the audio sermons are available at the bottom of the page.

We have recently updated our parish website – please take a look.

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH? Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (**RCIA**) is a process which is primarily aimed at people who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith. Please see Fr. Kevin or Jackie Bailey if you would like more information. **Meetings are every Tuesday evening during Term Time.**



ST. VINCENT DE-PAUL SOCIETY: OUR LADY’S SVP GROUP members are volunteers who are happy to give their time to serve others wherever possible... Visiting the housebound, lonely and sick; offering lifts and helping in a variety of ways. Our contact number can be found on the SVP leaflets in the Narthex or contact us on 01452-713254 If you would like to join us, meetings for members will be held in the Church Hall at 6.30 p.m. on **alternate Wednesdays next meeting 16th November. May we also draw your attention to our new blue SVP Collection Box for anyone wishing to contribute to the work of the Society.**



MEDITATION GROUP

Friday’s at 1.00pm
Our Lady’s Church Hall.
All welcome



If you would like to join our **200 CLUB** please contact Paddy on Glos. 309004 or e-mail: the.parish.office

DOWNSIDE ABBEY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND for those aged 18 to 30. 21-30 JULY 2017 led by Dom Anselm Brumwell, a Monk of Downside Abbey: Bookings are now being taken for a wonderful opportunity to experience the places where Christ was born, lived, died and was resurrected with other young people. A detailed Itinerary, and details as to how to book, can be found at <http://www.downside.co.uk/shop/events/monastery-events/pilgrimage-holy-land/> or contact the organiser rinabird@outlook.com The group will be visiting the most important Holy Christian places in Israel and the West Bank, together with some impressive archaeological sites. They are also spending a night out in the Negev Desert among the Bedouin, and experiencing the joy of camel riding! There will be lots of opportunities for exploring places on foot, swimming in the Jordan River, Dead Sea and the Sea of Galilee, together with kayaking in the beautiful Banias Nature Reserve. This one-off opportunity to travel at the fully inclusive cost of less than £900. needs to be booked quite quickly, as the Easyjet flights will probably be released in the next few weeks. All are welcome, whether practicing Catholics, or not.

Next Sunday’s 10.30 a.m. Mass will be for The Fallen of the Two World Wars and subsequent conflicts



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Parish Administrator: Elizabeth Thomas. Parish Office open Tuesday - Friday 9.15am – 12pm.

Please submit items for the Bulletin to the Presbytery by WEDNESDAY.

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