



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Churchdown Gloucester

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Sunday 13th November 2016 - Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun. 13 Nov	8.30 a.m. Mass: People of the Parish 10.30 a.m. Mass: The Fallen of the Two World Wars and subsequent conflicts COFFEE CLUB after 10.30 a.m. Mass every Sunday	DPL: St. Gregory the Great with Prestbury/Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary/St. Thomas More, Cheltenham
Mon. 14 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Vocations to the priesthood & consecrated life	Memorial of the Beatified Martyrs of the diocese
Tues. 15 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: Elizabeth Rawlake (RIP) Carole Gervais (RIP) Olga Pugelnik (RIP) and Bozidar Pugelnik (RIP)	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wed. 16 Nov	7.00 p.m. Exposition and Rosary 7.30 p.m. Mass for World Peace – all welcome	Memorial of St. Edmund of Abingdon
Thur. 17Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 9.15 a.m. Mass: All Souls	Memorial of St. Hugh of Lincoln
Fri. 18 Nov	9.00 a.m. Morning prayer 9.15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Sat. 19 Nov	10.00 a.m. Deanery November Mass for deceased clergy, religious & laity of Gloucs. Deanery will be held at St. Peter's Church, Glos. (no services at Our Lady's today)	Our Lady on Saturday

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)

WELCOME

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**

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

R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Beasley who died recently.

Please also remember her family and friends at this difficult time.

Patricia's funeral will take place at Gloucester Crematorium on Thursday 17th November at 2.30 p.m.

"May She Rest In Peace"



OFFERTORY COLLECTION for 6 November 2016 amounted to: £403 + £350 = £753

Cathedral Appeal amounted to £141 - *Thank you so much for your generosity.*

Thank you from CAFOD – as a parish we raised £618.70 for Harvest Fast Day

Next week there will be a second Appeal for Catholic Youth Service (National Youth Sunday).

Envelopes are available in the Narthex to Gift Aid your donation.



SUNDAY AFTERNOONS IN ADVENT...

Evening Prayer of the Church and Benediction will be celebrated here at Our Lady's at 4.00 p.m. every Sunday during Advent, starting on 27th November (1st Sunday of Advent). ***Everyone 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.



COFFEE & CAKE FOR PARENTS/CARERS (babies and toddlers also catered for with snacks and a selection of toys to play with). **Every Wednesday: 9am – 10.30am in Church Hall.** Pop in for a well-earned cup of tea/coffee and a slice of homemade cake straight after the morning school run!

A chance to meet and catch up with other parents from school in a relaxed and friendly setting. Suggested donation of £1.

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: **Saturday groups 2016:** in the meeting room close to the café. **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.

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.

THE ART OF DYING WELL is a new website that offers a helping hand to those grappling with issues around death and dying. Based in the Catholic tradition but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life. **Launching in November** – the traditional month of remembering and praying for the dead www.artofdyingwell.org There are some prayer cards available in the Narthex.

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

20th November 2016 is NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY: Celebrating Mercy: Next Sunday the Church in England and Wales celebrates National Youth Sunday. At the same time we join the Church around the world in marking the close of the Year of Mercy on the feast of Christ the King. This provides us with the opportunity to invite young people to be at the heart of our celebration next week. [Insert information about what is available for young people e.g. who they go to if they want to volunteer to read/take part in the liturgy] There are three ways each person can prepare for this celebration:

- To pray for the young people we know in our family, friendship circles and local community.
- To share our experiences of mercy over this year on <http://www.nationalyouthsunday.org.uk/share-your-story/>
- To invite two young people you know to church next Sunday.

For more information about National Youth Sunday please visit www.nationalyouthsunday.org.uk follow @NYS_HeisMercy on Twitter or like the National Youth Sunday Facebook page.

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.**



ADVENT RETREAT to close the Year of Mercy: **Friday 25th – 27th November** at The Monastery of Our Lady & St Bernard, Brownhill, Stroud GL6 8AL. Please see poster in the Narthex for more information or contact the Bookings Secretary 01453 883084 or email brownhillbookings@bernadine.org

SALE OF GOODS FROM BETHLEHEM: All profits go to needy families with children in Bethlehem. Sale at Prinknash Abbey on **Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th November**. Please see poster in the Narthex for further information of contact Joanne on 01242 243207

SAMARA'S AID APPEAL: Syria – Reach out a hand to care. Saturday 26th November (7pm for 7.30pm start) Samara is coming over to Churchdown to share 'the journey so far' as well as to inform us of the current appeals. The event will be held at St Andrew's in Churchdown, and our vision is to fill the church with interested parties. We have such a wonderful number of Christian Churches in Churchdown, Gloucester and Cheltenham full of people who care, and this is an event to provide an opportunity to do something together to help. Please see the poster in the Narthex for further information, phone Sarah Stanton on 07710515554 or visit www.samarasaidappeal.org and Facebook Samara's Aid Appeal. There are also some postcards to take away.

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 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.



Parish Craft & Needlework Group – Fortnightly between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. Have you wanted to learn a new craft but not sure where to start or need a little confidence boost? 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: 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.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND for Young People (18-30ish). **21st - 30th July 2017**. Cost no more than £900. Organised by Downside Abbey and led by Fr Anselm Brumwell OSB. Fr Matt Ascombe will be travelling as Spiritual Director to the pilgrimage. Details can be found at www.downside.co.uk/shop/events/monastery-events/pilgrimage-holy-land/ The full itinerary is here: www.downside.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Itinerary.pdf Spaces are limited and we need to book flights very soon. Bookings can be made on the Downside website.

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.ourladychurchdown.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.**



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](mailto:the.parish.office)



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.**

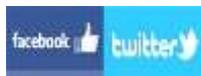
VOCATION MATTERS: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time:

“Your endurance will win you your lives (Luke 21:19)

The Duracell Bunny has been on our TV screens for over forty years. The pink, fluffy, unstoppable rabbit sought to bring some life into a rather boring product category, focusing the consumer on endurance. Discerning a vocation to marriage, the consecrated life or priesthood requires stamina. To live that calling out, we also need a source of energy. Such endurance is gained only by a living relationship with the source of spiritual power – Christ himself, in the power of the Holy Spirit. So, let's keep ourselves constantly plugged into Him and then we'll never grow tired of doing His will



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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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