



# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



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St Peter's Catholic Primary School [www.st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk) Tel: 01452 524792

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**SUNDAY MASS TIMES:** St Augustine's 6:30pm Saturday and 11:00am Sunday English Martyrs 9.00am Sunday  
**CONFESSIONS:** English Martyrs Saturday after morning mass St Augustine's Saturday 5.45pm to 6.15pm & on call

## 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Year C

<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	The Lord will bless his people with peace
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded. 'This is my son, the Beloved. Listen to him'.
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	Behold the One of whom John said; I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	LITURGICAL DAY MASS INTENTIONS
Sat. 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan		6.30pm <b>Vigil Mass (Sun)</b>	Sister Mary Peter (RIP)
Sun. 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00am <b>Mass</b>	11.00am <b>Mass</b>	Nora O'Toole (Anniv) Janet Peacey Intentions
Mon. 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan		9:30am <b>Adoration</b> 10:00am <b>Mass</b>	People of the Parish
Tues. 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:30am <b>Adoration</b> 10.00am <b>Mass</b>		Jack Williamson RIP
Wed. 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan		10.00am <b>Mass</b>	Frieda Brzynalska
Thurs. 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan			<b>Fr Gerry's Day off</b>
Fri. 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10:00am <b>Mass</b>		Patricia Withers RIP
Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:30am <b>Rosary</b> 10:00am <b>Memorial Mass</b>	6.30pm <b>Vigil Mass (Sun)</b>	Beverley Creary RIP People of the Parish

**Please pray for those who have died recently:** Beverley Creary whose Memorial Mass will be at English Martyrs this coming Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 10am. Her funeral will be in Jamaica on 2<sup>nd</sup> February **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time & those who mourn. Please also pray for the sick especially:** Allan Irvine, John Connors, Elsie Cavanagh, Jo Markey, Mary McVann, Susan Maher, Carmela Marusyczenko, David Rogers, Ellen Wagner, Barbara Wood, Kath Griffiths, Albert Turner, Shelia Robertson, Maria Oldfield, Janet Wagner, Andrea Brushneen, Joan Humphreys, Peggy Keogh, Lisa Knight, Maureen Moloney, Mary Gorman, Michael Gaffney, Elizabeth Bopoto, Marie & Keith Hill, Pat Murray and Janet Peacey.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY IN THE HALL**

**First Holy Communion St Augustine's Children Only:** The third children's session will be this Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January starting at 9:45am prompt in the Church hall. We welcome the families to our 11am Mass.

**First Holy Communion Both Parishes Parents Evening Session:** This will look at the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance or Confession) and is on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30pm in English Martyrs Church Hall. All Catholic parents should attend. We appreciate it can be difficult to find someone to look after your children they can come and do some quiet activities at the back of the hall.

**First Holy Communion English Martyrs Only:** The children will make their First Confession following a short service at 11am on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February, Please pray for them and their families

**'Together in Prayer' St Augustine's Prayer Group:** Will meet in the Canterbury Room on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30pm. All welcome

**ALL Current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for either Parish:** Are asked to contact Fr Gerry by email or in writing to advise him whether or not they wish to continue being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion after Easter 2019 by **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019**. All current Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion as well as new ones will be required to attend training before Easter 2019 and to be recommissioned/commissioned. Details of the training will be sent in due course to those who wish to continue and those who are approached by Fr Gerry and who agree to become new ones.

**ALL Current Readers at Sunday Mass for either Parish:** Are asked to contact their coordinator by email or in writing to advise them whether or not they wish to continue in that role after Easter 2019 by **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**. Those who would like to be considered for reading at Sunday Mass in the future are asked to contact Fr Gerry. Those wishing to continue being Sunday Mass readers and new ones will be required to attend training before Easter 2019 details of which will be sent out in due course.

**Prayer and Praise:** On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm at St Peter's London Road, The guest speaker will be Deacon Colm, reflecting on 25 years as a deacon. He was ordained at English Martyrs on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1993.

**'Christianity Explored' Church in Tuffley:** Is an informal and relaxed 7week course. Whoever you are, whatever you're thinking this is a place for you to explore what's life all about. It's free and you don't need to know anything about the bible and you won't have to pray or sing. The course continues on Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Jan from 9am-10:30am with a light breakfast at The Vicarage, next to St George's on Grange Road. Please take a card from the lobby if you know anyone for whom this would be suitable and encourage them to attend.

**'Refresh' Church in Tuffley:** The next 'Refresh' evening continuing to explore the parables of Jesus with our Christian friends in Tuffley will be at The Grange Baptists on Grange Road at 7:30pm on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January. All welcome.

**Diocesan Briefing:** Copies of the latest edition of the quarterly diocesan team briefing document are available at the back of the church and can be found under newsletter tab of the website.

**Diocesan OPAS Support Administrator Vacancy:** The Diocese is currently rolling out a new online accounting system (OPAS) for all of its 107 parishes. The role is a full-time, fixed term contract with a salary of up to £22,000 depending on experience. Interviews will take place in late January/early February. The deadline for applications is Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January. For a job description and application form contact the Finance Department 0117 902 5591

**CYMFed Flame:** Is the biggest Catholic Youth Event in the UK. It takes place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at Wembley Arena. All young people of Secondary school age are invited to join Bishop Declan and thousands of young people from across the UK at the fantastic event. To buy your ticket visit [www.cliftondiocese.com](http://www.cliftondiocese.com) and click on the Flame logo. Download the booking forms and parental consent, send them in to us and we'll confirm your place! Email: [youth@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:youth@cliftondiocese.com) for more information.

**Saint Augustine's 200 Club:** Money is due now for the 200 Club. Please make cheque out for £12 payable to St Augustine 200 Club Matson. There are spare numbers if you would like to join. It costs £12 for the year Together we have raised £1235 for the parish & given out £1225 in prizes for the year. Thank you for all your help & support over the last year Claire Cooper will be in the porch most weeks after Sunday Masses to collect your money.

**St Augustine's APF Red Missio Boxes:** In 2018 £1,291 was collected thank you.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS:** English Martyrs: 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec £97.12, 30<sup>th</sup> Dec £88.04 & 6<sup>th</sup> Jan £68.89 **Crib** Help Madina project £50.10 **St. Augustine's Reports Monthly.**

### Clifton Diocese Year of Prayer

We hold onto the season of epiphanies for a little longer as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. For St Luke, we find Jesus at prayer as he receives the outpouring of God's Spirit. This beautiful feast gives us chance to reflect upon our own baptism, not so much as something that took place however many years ago, but something – an encounter – that we try to live out each and every day. Find a moment where you can be at prayer this weekend. Reflect upon God's favour resting upon you. Ponder God's Spirit at work within you and know yourself loved by the Father. Our baptism is a real encounter with God – Father, Son, and Spirit – but it reminds us that because of our baptism, because of the Spirit poured into us, we are called to be an encounter with God for others... that is our mission, yes! But its a mission simply because we *know* and experience the outpouring of the Father's love in our lives. That's something to be thankful for today.

