



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



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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

## 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life.
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	LITURGICAL DAY MASS INTENTIONS
Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan		6.30pm <b>Vigil Mass (Sun)</b>	People of the Parish
Sun. 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00am <b>Mass</b>	11.00am <b>Mass</b>	Sarah Smith Anniv Philip Harkin Anniv
Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan		9:30am <b>Adoration</b> 10:00am <b>Mass</b>	<i>St Agnes</i> Robert Beveridge McQuire (B'day RIP)
Tues. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	9:30am <b>Adoration</b> 10.00am <b>Mass</b>		Virginia Thomas (Anniv)
Wed. 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan		10.00am <b>Mass</b>	Angelo Feliciello RIP
Thurs. 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10:00am <b>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</b>		<i>St Francis de Sales</i> <b>Fr Gerry's Day off</b>
Fri. 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan		10:00am <b>Mass</b>	<i>The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle</i> Holy Souls
Sat. 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:30am <b>Rosary</b> 10:00am <b>Mass</b>	6.30pm <b>Vigil Mass (Sun)</b>	<i>Saints Timothy and Titus</i> Derek Withers RIP People of the Parishes

**Please pray** for those who have died recently 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 also pray for the children at English Martyrs who are going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January and their families.**

**Peace Sunday:** Every year Pax Christi promotes the Holy Father's World Peace Day Message on the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (January 20th this year). The theme this year is 'Good Politics Serves Peace'. Visit [paxchristi.org.uk](http://paxchristi.org.uk) for more information and how you can donate to support their work.

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

**First Holy Communion English Martyrs Children Only:** Short reconciliation service followed by individual First Confessions Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 11am in the Church. Next children's sessions Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 9:30am.

**First Holy Communion St Augustine's Children Only:** The fourth children's session will be on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February starting at 9:30am prompt in the Church hall. And they will have a short reconciliation service followed by individual First Confessions on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 11am in the Church.

**St Augustine's Adult Faith Discussion Group:** The next meeting is on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7:30pm in the hall. All welcome. The group will continue to read and reflect on Sister Wendy Beckett's book "Sister Wendy on Prayer".

**English Martyrs Bible Study:** Will meet on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January from 10:30am in the Hall to conclude their study of the Book of Isaiah.

**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 spiritual input and 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 spiritual input and training before Easter 2019 details of which will be sent out in due course.

**Prinknash Abbey: Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Jan** 'Praying with Jesus' Retreat Day starting with Mass at 9:30am in the Chapel. 10:45am Talk in meeting room in the Café complex ending with Adoration and Benediction in the chapel. **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb** Divine Mercy Prayers and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Prinknash Abbey Chapel 3pm to 4pm. All welcome to both events.

**World Day of Prayer:** Is on Friday 1st March 2019. English Martyrs will be hosting a service at 10.30 a.m. All welcome.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019:**The theme for the 2019 Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity comes to us from Indonesia: "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue" (Deuteronomy 16:18-20). Day by day through the Octave of Prayer at <https://cliftondiocese.com/faith/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2019/> listen to Ecumenical representatives across our diocese who help us ponder how we move from shared prayer to shared action. Let this Week of Prayer allow you to ponder what we can learn from the other churches and how, in our own parishes pastoral areas, we might work with the other communities of faith to live out the mission of Christ.

**Church in Tuffley forthcoming events:** Table Top sale on Sat 2 March (say 1 till 3pm, £5 per table, plus refreshments to be served). And a hobbies exhibition on Sat 30 March (all day; model railways, Lego models, coin or stamp collecting, craft etc. plus refreshments. Both events in the St George's Hall, Grange Road. To reserve a table for the sale or space for hobbies contact Glenda Stevens tel. 01452 307456 or email:[stgeorgeschurch1@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeschurch1@gmail.com)

**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.

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**Oberammergau Pilgrimage Update:** This exciting adventure from 15<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 seems a long way ahead but it's getting closer each day. The travel company have asked us to fill our remaining spaces now as they'll be reviewing all unsold space by the end of February. Family members and friends are most welcome. The seven-night holiday includes five nights in Austria, two nights in Oberammergau village, and top category tickets for the Passion Play. Deposits are fully refundable until April 2019. More details from Fr Gerry or Marisa Wood

**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 at £12 for the year.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS: English Martyrs:** £334.84, Cafod £3.57 **St. Augustine's Reports Monthly.**

### Clifton Diocese Year of Prayer SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The epiphanies carry on... this time at Cana. Here is the first of Jesus' *signs*. They reveal to us who Jesus is. What could be seen as a clear reminder of unworthiness and brokenness (water) is transformed into a symbol of rejoicing and presence (wine). Maybe there's something of a new weddedness that it to take place between God and his people once again... in Jesus. Mary's presence and, indeed, her 'instructions' to the servants give us food for our own prayer: do whatever he tells you. The Lord calls us close to him and as we open ourselves up to him, as we seek to encounter him through prayer, we seek to do his will. Prayer can be an abandonment to the will of God, a letting go so as to let God come flooding into our lives. And as we see from the wine at Cana, God always brings an abundance!

