



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

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 14th July 2019 Year C

Responsorial Psalm	Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.
Gospel Acclamation	The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.
Communion Antiphon	The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Days and times of Liturgies in our Parishes for the Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 13 th July		6.30pm Vigil Mass (Sun)	Happy Marriage J&A
Sun 14 th July	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	Veronica Rafferty RIP People of the Parishes
Mon 15 th July		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	Holy Souls
Thurs 18 th July	10.00am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion		
Sat 20 th July	9.30am Rosary 10.00am Mass	6.30pm Vigil Mass (Sun)	Mina Ward (RIP) People of the Parishes

Please pray for those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who mourn. **Please also pray for the sick especially:** Allan Irvine, John Connors, Elsie Cavanagh, Jo Markey, Mary McVann, Susan Maher, 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, Pat Gilbert, Bridie O'Boyle and Janet Peacey.

Fr Gerry: Will be on the Diocesan Retreat from Monday 15th July to Friday 19th July at Buckfast Abbey. Please pray for Bishop Declan and all the priests who will be attending.

Your Prayers: In this Diocesan Year of Prayer inspire other members of the congregation in both Churches by sharing your prayers which will be displayed in the Church. You can use the card provided in the porch or your own card/paper and return them anytime with or without your name. Thanks to those who have already done this in English Martyrs.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH HALLS

English Martyrs Bible Study: Will meet again on Thursday 18th July at 10.30am in the Hall. After that they will take a summer break before gathering again on Thursday 12th September. Many thanks to Kathleen Withers for all her research and inspired insights into the scriptures.

St Augustine's Discussion Group: Will meet next on Wednesday 24th July in the Hall as they continue to discuss Wendy Beckett's book on Prayer. All welcome.

English Martyrs Coffee Morning: On Wednesday 17th July from 10.30 - 12 noon All welcome

St Augustine's 'Together in Prayer' Group: Meets at 7.15pm on Wednesday 17th July in the Canterbury Room, everyone most welcome. In the St Augustine's church porch there is a small box for your prayer requests, the group will gladly offer these up at the next meeting. Please feel free to use this service at any time.

Gloucester Waites in Concert: In St Augustine's Church Hall on Saturday 27th July 7.30pm for 7.45pm. Tickets £5 to include refreshments in aid of CAFOD. Tickets available after Mass from Ann Kinghorn or Monica Evans 01452 883905.

St. Peter's Church, London Road, Gloucester Thursday 18th July 2019 Time: 7.30pm During this month's prayer meeting our special speaker is **Elaine Venning** who will be talking on 'A Holy Workout', with music ministry led by Tony Wadley.

July Events at Prinknash Abbey: 20th July Fr Martin will be continuing the series of talks on the History of the Church in the meeting room at the Prinknash cafe at 10:30 am with **"The Rise of Islam and its effects on the Church in the 7th Century"** also on **Sat July 20th**, from 2-4 pm, the exploring faith group session in the meeting room with Fr Martin and Dr Sarah Richards will be **"Exploring Islam"**. **Sat 27th July** we will have a retreat day of **"praying with a focus on the beauty in nature"**, a peaceful day starting with Mass in the Abbey chapel at 0930 and then moving to the meeting room at 10.15, with plenty of time to enjoy the monastery walled garden in the afternoon if the weather is kind to us. everyone is welcome. all information is on the Prinknash Abbey website www.prinknashabbey.org **There are no sessions in August and the series starts again in September:**

Ecumenical Quiet Prayer Group: At St Barnabas church, Stroud Road on Friday 26th July at 2.30 p.m. All welcome.

Faith and Light Gloucestershire: Faith and Light (Gloucestershire) is a Christian group reaching out to Gloucester, Cheltenham and Stroud areas for people of any age with learning disabilities or learning difficulties, their families and friends. They had a great time exploring prayer last Sunday and will meet again in September date to be confirmed. For further details contact Cheri.steele@mail.com

Glastonbury Pilgrimage Sunday 14th July: Annual Pilgrimage led by Bishop Declan. Starts 12noon onwards starting at the Shrine church will become a chapel, Sacrament of Reconciliation and Private Healing will be offered. The Rosary procession will start at 2;15pm and Mass to follow for more information: www.glastonburyshrine.co.uk At this late stage there may or may not be room on an Executive Coach from St Peters please check with them during office hours.

Feast of St James 25th July 2019: Abbot David OSB (Buckfast Abbey) will celebrate Holy Mass at St James Priory , Whitson St, Bristol BS1 3NZ at 6pm. All welcome, tea and coffee afterwards.

Art Club in English Martyrs Hall Every Tuesday: Please come along and join in on our weekly Art club for all abilities, with a professional Tutor and a very friendly group 10.30am to 12.30pm. No appointment necessary just come along.

RETIRING COLLECTION: This weekend Priest's Retirement Fund This has been deferred from 18th/19th May because of other collections. Leaflets and Gift Aid Envelopes are available in the porch of both Churches.

PARISH COLLECTIONS: English Martyrs: £83.26, 2nd Coll Garas for Refugees £47.00 & Priest Retirement so far £400.00 Standing Orders £1486.00, Building Fund £195.00. Outstanding loan for the hall £ 5,732.89 as at 20th June on which we pay 2.75% pa interest and £17,500 in Parishioners interest free loans for the carpark. **Saint Augustine's for June:** Standing Order £1080.00 Cash in envelopes £654.74 loose plate £649.53 and 2nd collections £184.46. **Thank you for your continued support.**

Please Note: There is a newsletter supplement page on line listing more Diocesan and Ecumenical events coming soon.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

'Who is my neighbour?' asks a doctor of the Law in his attempt to clarify exactly what is being asked of him when the law speaks of loving God and neighbour. Jesus recognises his narrow concern and responds by recounting an incident of rural violence. We know the story well. It teaches clearly that love is the core and meaning of life and there are no limits. The lawyer's question concerns the genuineness and depth of our love. How far will we go? Are their limits to our love? Do we only love when it is convenient or does our love for our neighbour take us out of our comfort zone? The neighbour in the story is a Samaritan, despised by the Jews for apparently having little concern for morality or for religion. Yet, he is the one who stops when he sees someone in need and responds with compassion and kindness. If there are parallels for us today I might want to ask myself how I would respond if my neighbour happened to be a refugee struggling across dangerous seas to reach safety or a drug addict on the street or someone from a different faith or culture who does things differently to me? Following the Gospel is not an easy option. It can challenge the very heart of who we are. Today, let us pray for an open and generous heart which is ready and willing to respond to anyone who might need our help this week.



Vacancy: CAFOD Clifton is looking for a new staff member to recruit and manage volunteers who work in our parishes and schools around the diocese. The role is based in Bristol. The role is part time (17.5 hours per week), permanent and a great opportunity for someone who cares passionately about poverty and injustice. Please see: cafod.org.uk/jobs for details, from 1st July. The closing date is 17th July.

Justice & Peace Commission: The Commission exists to stimulate awareness of the need for justice and peace both at home and overseas and to foster and encourage action for justice and peace in the parishes of the Diocese. It also works with others including ecumenical groups on identifying opportunities to respond in practical ways. The Commission is looking for new members from the Cheltenham or Gloucester deaneries and if you are interested in joining the team please contact the Secretary, Sue Ingham, via email: justiceandpeace@cliftondiocese.com

Hospital Chaplaincy Volunteer: Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is seeking additional chaplaincy volunteers. The next training for potential volunteers begins on Wednesday September 25th 9.00am – 12.30pm and will run for a further 7 Wednesdays. For details and a booking form please contact 0300 422 6200/4286 or email ghn-tr.spiritualcare@nhs.net

Time to Talk' about mental health. Once a week coffee morning during June and July 2019 Wednesdays 10-11 am at Prinknash Abbey Monastery Cafe. The idea is to have a space where we can talk about any aspect of mental health. Everyone is welcome.

Events Prinknash in September: Sat 7th September: a retreat day starting with Mass in the Prinknash Abbey chapel at 0930 and moving to the meeting room at 10:15, an opportunity for *"a day of praying for the healing of memories and relationships"*. **Sat 14th September:** 10:30 in the meeting room at Prinknash cafe: the History of the Church series continues with a talk by Fr Martin on *"Charlemagne in the West and Iconoclasts in the East: the 8th century"* also on **Sat 14th September,** 2-4pm, the exploring faith session with Fr Martin and Sarah Richards will be *"Exploring Iconoclasm-(the destruction of Church art and icons)"*

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage: Friday 23rd to 30th August 2019. Coach and Jumbulance leaves St Teresa's Filton on Thursday 22nd August. Further information Lourdes@cliftondiocese.com or 0117 9025590 Option 7.

CAFOD-Candlelight Funds: CAFOD has established a Candlelight Fund as a special fund in memory of a loved one who has died. It will celebrate their life and touch the lives of thousands more. For more information visit Cafod.org.uk/candlelight or contact Roisin on 02070955348 or candlelight@cafod.org.uk

Faith in Action trial: Faith in Action is a national Catholic award for young people. The Clifton Diocese is currently piloting the scheme with young people in different parishes across the diocese. The aim of the trial is to explore how the awards could run in every parish, acknowledging and encouraging the service and presence of young people. The awards enable young people to reflect on their role in the Church, deepen their understanding of scripture & Catholic Social Teaching, and grow in their faith. For more information and to take part in the pilot email youth@cliftondiocese.com or visit www.cliftondiocese.com and search for Faith in Action.

Have you ever wondered what God is calling you to do with your life? If so, please read on! A three day vocations discernment retreat for Catholics aged 18 to 35 years old, discussing matters of consecrated life, priesthood and lay life, will be held at Downside Abbey from Friday 18th to Sunday 20th October, 2019. The speakers include Sr. Elizabeth Mary Mann, Fr. Nicholas Crowe OP and Prof. Gavin D'Costa. The residential cost with all meals included is £50 in shared accommodation in a Retreat House or £70 in an en-suite twin room in the Monastery Guest Wing. The non-residential cost with all meals included is £40. No one should feel unwelcome if they cannot meet these costs, so please discuss this with the organiser. For more information and to book please contact the organiser rinabird@outlook.com Your Parish Priest has the full programme should you wish to see it. The last Discernment Retreat attracted nearly 40 young Catholics who found the weekend hugely beneficial, so do please join us!