



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



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'Together, Reach Out and Welcome All with Joy, Compassion and Unfailing Love'

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## Catholic Schools for the Parishes

St Peter's Catholic Primary School  
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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

## Parish Prayer

O God, be at the heart of our parish and in all our hearts.  
Strengthen our faith and our hope in Your promises.  
Grant us a spirit of self-sacrifice, so that, with your grace,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we may radiate Your love to everyone we meet.  
Help us to reach out with joy and mercy, to build a loving, healing community.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



## Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time 18<sup>th</sup> Aug 2019 Year C

<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	Lord, Come to my aid!
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Aug		6.30pm <b>Vigil Mass (Sun)</b>	People of the Parish
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am <b>Mass</b>	11.00am <b>Mass</b>	Birthday Intention for MD John Conway RIP
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<b>Requiem Mass 12noon Marie Hill</b>		Marie Hill RIP
Tue 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.30am <b>Adoration</b> 10.00am <b>Mass</b>		St Bernard
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Aug		9.30am <b>Adoration</b> 10.00am <b>Mass</b>	St Pius
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug			Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary <b>Fr Gerry's Day off</b>
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Funeral service 11.00am Maria Maiolo	9.00am <b>Mass</b>	Holy Souls
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.30am <b>Rosary</b> 10.00am <b>Mass</b>	6.30pm <b>Vigil Mass (Sun)</b>	Feast of St Bartholomew Marie Hill RIP Patrick Neade Anniv

**Please pray** for those who have died recently especially Marie Hill her Requiem Mass will be on 19th Aug at 12 noon and Maria Maiolo whose funeral service will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug at 11am both at English Martyrs. **Please remember all whose anniversaries occur at this time and all 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, Keith Hill, Pat Murray, Pat Gilbert, Bridie O'Boyle and Janet Peacey.

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

**Silence before Mass:** Will continue at least to the next Joint Parishes Pastoral Council which is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September. If you have any comments please pass them to Fr Gerry or any member of the council. The start of the time of silence, about 5 minutes, is marked by reading the parish prayer together and the end when the bell is rung for the start of mass. There are copies of the double sided A4 sheet – ‘What to do in the quiet time before Mass begins’ and ‘Other thoughts on Preparing well for Mass’ next to where the newsletters are handed out to guide you.

**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. .

**St Augustine’s Discussion Group:** Will meet again on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September in the Hall as they continue to discuss Wendy Beckett’s book on Prayer.

**English Martyrs Bible Study:** Will meet again on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am in the Hall. After the summer break. Many thanks to Kathleen Withers for all her research and inspired insights into the scriptures.

**Barn Dance with Supper:** Will be held in St Augustine’s Hall on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5.00 (includes Supper with Tea/Coffee). Raffle on the night. Please feel free to bring your own alcoholic drinks. Funds raised will support our local parish project for 2019 Gloucestershire Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers (GARAS)

**St Augustine’s ‘Together in Prayer’ Group:** Will meet again on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September probably in the afternoon in the Canterbury Room. 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.

**Strength to Strength ‘The Practical benefits of Daily Prayer’:** A six session DVD series produced by CaFE designed to give practical help to those wishing to pray more in their daily lives. Inspired by the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Filmed in an engaging and humorous way with a TV studio audience. Each session lasts approx. 40 mins with mid-point group questions & prayerful reflections. Will start on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in English Martyrs Church Hall.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Is from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Those who are going will be praying for us at home. Follow the pilgrimage on line by visiting <https://cliftondiocese.com/lourdes-2019/> throughout the pilgrimage.

**Canonisation of Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman:** This will take place at St Peter’s in Rome on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019. This will make Cardinal Newman the first English person who has lived since the 17<sup>th</sup> century officially recognised as a saint by the Roman Catholic Church. To prepare for this momentous occasion, a new website has been created by the Oratories of England, with information about Newman, including on the second miracle, updates on the canonisation, videos, blogs, podcasts and more. Visit the official website at [newmancanonisation.com](http://newmancanonisation.com)

**Clifton Cathedral Year of Prayer 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019:** ‘Beauty, Spirit Matter’. Speaker Aidan Hart subject ‘Praying with Icons’. Entrance by ticket only £10 in advance from [www.cliftondioces.com/beauty-spirit-matter](http://www.cliftondioces.com/beauty-spirit-matter) or by telephoning 0117 9025591 from 10.30am until 3.15pm

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ALL WHO SUPPORT THE PARISHES BY MONTHLY STANDING ORDER**

**DONATIONS:** The Diocese are changing the way in which they process standing order donations due to our new online parish accounting system which means payments will come straight to the parish account. The Diocese will be sending out letters to each of our current Standing Order Donors with a new form to be completed, signed and returned in the pre-paid envelope supplied. Your donation is extremely valuable to your parish and the Diocese, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing generosity and support. **It is very important that the Diocese have your correct address. If you have moved recently or indeed since you took out the standing order please check the address details the Diocese has for you are correct with:** Marisa Wood, details as for the parish office overleaf, if your standing order is for English Martyrs and Richard Merigold if your standing order is for St Augustine’s **email:** [GA.matson.staugustineofcanterbury@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:GA.matson.staugustineofcanterbury@cliftondiocese.com).

**English Martyrs:** Calling any volunteers who may have some hours to spare in the mornings for help counting the offertory, full training will be given. Please contact Marisa in the office thank you.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS:** English Martyrs: Office closed last week cash collection will be reported next week. Standing Orders £1486.00, Building Fund £195.00 Outstanding hall Loan on 20<sup>th</sup> August will be £4,256.57 on which we pay 2.75% pa interest and £17,500 in Parishioners’ interest free loans for the car park. **Saint Augustine’s July** Standing Orders £1,074.50, Cash in envelopes £511.00 and Loose Plate £625.58 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections £486.29. **Thank you for your continued support.**

#### **Year of Prayer Thought for 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

Today’s Gospel does not make for comfortable reading. For many of us Jesus is the ‘Prince of Peace’ not someone who wishes to bring conflict into people’s lives. Jesus turns, what we might think of as the norm, upside down. He speaks of the humble and the poor being blessed and the rich and powerful being turned away. This teaching of Jesus has caused many to resist and challenge Christianity. In Jesus’ own life resistance to his message led to his death on a cross. Despite this he responded with non-violence, love and forgiveness. On our journey of faith, we will meet resistance when we challenge the status quo. We will lose friends and even family. May our response be as Jesus’, the Prince of Peace.

