



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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SUN5DAY 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 met.
Help us to reach out with joy and mercy, to build a loving, healing community.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 26th January 2020 Year A 'Sunday of the Word of God'

Responsorial Psalm	The Lord is my light and my help.
Gospel Acclamation	Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom and cured all kinds of sickness among the people.
Communion Antiphon	Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 25 th Jan		6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Intentions of the Wagner Family
Sun 26 th Jan	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	Nora O'Toole (Anniv) Thanksgiving Mass Janet Peacey
Mon 27 th Jan		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	People of the Parishes
Tues 28 st Jan	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass		Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas Trevor Whurr RIP
Wed 29 nd Jan		10.00am Mass	Intentions of Mgr Liam Slattery
Thurs 30 th Jan			Fr Gerry's Day off
Fri 31 st Jan	No Mass today		Fr Gerry attending Requiem for Fr David McDonald
Sat 1 st Feb	9.30am Rosary 10.00am Mass	6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Intentions of Miss C Webb Mary McVann RIP

Please pray: For all those who have died recently and 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, Susan Maher, David Rogers, Ellen Wagner, 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, Janet Peacey and Elizabeth Knight. **We also pray for** Mgr Liam VG and Parish Priest at St Peter's Gloucester who has been diagnosed with Hodgkin Lymphoma and is undergoing chemotherapy.

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

First Holy Communion: English Martyrs Next Children's Session Saturday 8th February 9.30am to 12 noon in the Hall. St Augustine's Next Children's session Sunday 2nd February starting at 9.45am in the Hall. Sat 8th February Sacrament of Reconciliation starting at 11am in the Church Parents Meeting The next parents meeting for candidates from both parishes will be looking at the 'Word of God' on Wed 12th Feb at 7.30pm in English Martyrs Church Hall. The material is aimed at parents not the children however if you need to bring a child(ren) with you there will be activities provided for them.

All Readers in both Parishes: The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time has been declared by Pope Francis as "Sunday of the Word of God". At all Sunday Masses Readers will be invited during the Mass to come forward for **the Blessing of Readers**. If you wish to stop reading at Mass or become a reader please speak to your parish coordinator or Fr Gerry.

Bible Study: Continues at 10.30am in English Martyrs Church Hall on Thursday 6th February.

Discussion Group: Continues to explore Wendy Beckett's Book on prayer. Their next gathering will be on Wednesday 12th February in St Augustine's Church Hall.

Gloucester and District Christian Choir @ St Augustine's: The well received Christian Choir is returning for another concert on Friday 21st February in St Augustine's Church at 7.30pm. Tickets at £5 each will be on sale after weekend masses from 25th January. Please place the date in your diary and invite your friends as this is certain to be a good evening

St Augustine Lenten Lunches: The popular and delicious Lent lunches will be on all Fridays during Lent from Friday 28th February to Friday 3rd April in the Hall starting from 12 noon. Proceeds to CAFOD and Together in Matson. All welcome

English Martyrs Quiz Night on Friday 6th March 2020: This annual event in the hall starts at 7.30pm (prompt). Tickets are £4.00 for an adult and £2.00 per child, which includes a light ploughman's supper. Tea and coffee, and squash for the children. Family tickers (Adult and up to 3 children) are £11.00. team size is 6 but if you can't get a 6 together, come along anyway and we'll help you form a team on the night. Tickets are available after Sunday Mass and everyone is welcome. Why not come along for a fun family evening!

Alpha: Will continue on Monday evenings in English Martyrs Church Hall starting at 7pm for supper and input from 7.45pm. with the final session being on Monday 24th February. Alpha is being coordinated by Helen McGeogh, Tuffley Pioneer. The evenings are particularly aimed at those new to the Christian faith although all are welcome.

Quiet prayer Group: The next quiet prayer group will be on 31st January at Christchurch, Abbeymead opposite Morrisons at 2.30pm please come along and pray for and with us all.

Youth Ministry Parish Network Groups: Met for their initial meeting in October 2019 with a positive response from a few parishes. The purpose of these networks is to bring parishes together to support each other, learn new skills and explore opportunities to minister to young people. We ask that all parishes send a representative to the network meetings who can feed back to the PPC and other parish groups. The second in our series of four network meetings will look at volunteer and catechist recruitment & retention in parishes. The dates and venue for Gloucestershire is Tuesday 28th January at English Martyrs Church Hall from 6.30pm – 9.00pm.

Come and SEE: Mike Curtis who works with the Gloucester City Mission, which does so much for the homeless will be speaking on his faith journey on Wednesday 5th February at 7.30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent. All welcome

Prinknash Ecumenical Prayer Group Course and Retreat on Christian Healing Ministry: Our recently formed Prayer Group St Joseph @Prinknash is running a Christian Healing Ministry Training course developed by The Christian Healing Mission (CHM). John Ryeland, the Director of CHM will be leading a Retreat Day at Prinknash Abbey Meeting Room on 21st March 10.30am to 4.30pm. Prior to that there is a training course which begins on Sat 1st Feb 11 am – 4.30pm and continues on Sat 8th Feb and Sat 7th Mar at the same times all in the Prinknash Meeting Room next to the café. The course & retreat is free although the accompanying workbook costs £6. Donations on the retreat day are welcome to cover costs.

PRINKNASH ABBEY DIVINE MERCY: You are invited to join us for Divine Mercy Prayers and devotions led by Abbot Martin at Prinknash Abbey Chapel on Sat 1st February from 3-4pm. All welcome

Newman Association: There will be a talk on Tuesday 4th Feb 2.30pm, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts' Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. **Dr Austen Ivereigh, a Catholic writer, campaigner and co-ordinator of Catholic Voices, will speak to us on Wounded Shepherd: Pope Francis and his struggle to convert the Catholic Church.** All are welcome. Admission: £3 (members & students free)

Consecration of England to Our Lady of Walsingham: We are now registered as taking part in Behold 2020. Because the Consecration is taking place at 12 noon on Sunday 29th March our Parishes Consecration will follow the 11am Mass at St Augustine's on that day. Prior to that we can consecrate or re-consecrate ourselves to Our Lady by following the 33 Days to Morning Glory material, this starts on Friday 21st February and concludes on Wednesday 25th March the Solemnity of the Annunciation. If you would like to take part in the 33 Days to Morning Glory please contact Fr Gerry as overleaf by no later than Sunday 9th February so he can obtain resources. For further details see <https://www.behold2020.com/>

Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham to Clifton Cathedral: Starts on Thursday 20th Feb and continues to Saturday 22nd February at 1.30pm. The Slipper Chapel of Our Lady of Walsingham along with an exhibition, devotions, masses and talks will take place over this time. See the detailed daily schedule on the noticeboard or at www.dowrytour.org.uk

FOODBANK FOOD DONATIONS: Although Christmas is over, the Foodbank still needs your donations of food, as those in need are still in need! Please continue to bring in regular donations to the Foodbank in either Church. You can also help by supporting their fund raiser below!

'Leap Day Barn Dance' in aid of Gloucester Foodbank: On Saturday, 29th February at Kendal Road Baptist Church. Dance to Peterfold from 7.30pm until 10pm. Tickets cost £5.00 and can be purchased from Nikki O'Neill after 9 am mass or Tel: 07976 958402.

Parish collections: English Martyrs: 19th Jan £64.27 St Augustine's Reports Monthly Thank you.

