



# 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.



## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th January 2020 Year A

<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!
<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	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan		6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Mary McVann RIP
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	Special Intention SG Philip Harkin RIP Anniv
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	People of the Parishes
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass		Memorial of St Agnes Private Intention E.B.
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan		10.00am Mass	Nessa Emerson-Heaney RIP
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	10.00am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion		<b>Fr Gerry's Day off</b>
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan		10.00am Mass	Memorial of St Francis de Sales Dan Campbell RIP
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.30am Rosary 10.00am Mass	6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Feast of the Conversion of St Paul Michael Douglas RIP Intentions of the Wagner Family

**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 Sat 25<sup>th</sup> January Sacrament of Reconciliation starting at 11am in the Church. Next Children's Sessions Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am to 12 noon in the Hall. St Augustine's Next Children's session Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February starting at 9.45am in the Hall. Sat 8<sup>th</sup> 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' this Wed 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Discussion Group:** Continues to explore Wendy Beckett's Book on prayer. Their next gathering will be on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January in St Augustine's Church Hall.

**Bible Study:** Continues at 10.30am in English Martyrs Church Hall on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

**All Readers in both Parishes:** Next Sunday 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.

**Christmas Masses and Easter Triduum Survey:** In order to inform discussion Fr Gerry and the Joint Parishes Pastoral Council are asking anyone who did not do so last weekend, especially those at the 11am Sunday mass at St Augustine's, where it was not distributed as you came in, to complete a short survey about Christmas Masses and the Easter Triduum.

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

**Faith and Light (Gloucestershire):** *To live friendship with persons of an intellectual disability.* For people of any age, their families and friends. We meet for faith sharing followed by food and fun activities. On the third Sunday of the month at 2.30pm, the next meeting will be this Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January, at English Martyrs, 247 Tuffley Lane, GL4 ONX All welcome! Contact Cheri [cheri.steele@mail.com](mailto:cheri.steele@mail.com) or 07865999567.

**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 24<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Diocesan events for the area at English Martyrs:** English Martyrs Parish Hall is hosting a Rite of Election information evening on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January aimed at those who are journeying towards becoming Catholic in the near future, their sponsors catechists and anyone who is interested. Refreshments at 7pm, start 7.30pm conclude at 9pm, for further details see the newsletter supplement online They are also hosting the Gloucestershire Youth Network Meeting on Tues 28<sup>th</sup> January from 6.30pm to 9pm which will be looking at 'volunteer and catechist recruitment & retention in parishes. Further information on both of these on our Newsletter supplement page.

**PRINKNASH ABBEY RETREAT DAYS:** Will continue in 2020, led by Abbot Martin McLaughlin and Dr. Sarah Richards. Each Retreat Day has its own theme, and offers an opportunity for quiet time, free time, confession, and Mass. Everyone is welcome. The first 2020 RETREAT DAY is SATURDAY 25 JANUARY – start 10am in Meeting Room. Finish 3.30pm. Theme "Jesus rose early and went to a quiet place to pray": A day to embrace peace and solitude. Further details on Poster on Church Notice Board, and on the Prinknash Abbey website [www.prinknashabbey.org](http://www.prinknashabbey.org)

**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 1<sup>st</sup> February from 3-4pm. All welcome

**Consecration of England to Our Lady of Walsingham:** On 1<sup>st</sup> January the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God the Bishops of England formally launched Behold 2020. This give us an opportunity to consecrate ourselves to Our Lady on 25<sup>th</sup> March having followed 33 days of preparation starting on 21<sup>st</sup> February and will culminate with the Consecration of England by all the Bishops to our Lady on the Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March. Further details at <https://www.behold2020.com/dedication-1> Prior to that Clifton Cathedral will be hosting a Triduum of prayer from 20-22<sup>nd</sup> of February when they will receive the statue of Mary from the Slipper Chapel at the Catholic National Shrine in Walsingham as part of the preparation for the year of dedication. More information will follow in due course.

**St Augustine's 200 Club:** All members are due to pay their annual subscriptions. Several numbers are now free due to parishioners moving away or dying. You have to be in it to win it. Please make a cheque payable for £12 to St Augustine 200 Club, Matson. Claire Cooper will be in the porch after each Sunday mass to collect your money New members always welcome. Together last year we raised £1235 for Parish Funds, Thank you for all your help and support.

**200 Club English Martyrs 2020:** We would love to have some more new members for 200 Club where £75 in total of winnings are awarded each month. Members annual payments are now due. Please see Ann Apperley, Tim Houlihan or Marisa.

**Parish collections:** English Martyrs: 12<sup>th</sup> Jan £84.82 Donation £100 St Augustine's Reports Monthly **Thank you all for your continued generous support.**

**PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER SUPPLEMENT, ON THE THIRD PAGE OF THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER PDF GIVING FURTHER INFORMATION, OTHER EVENTS AND DIOCESAN VACANCIES ON THE PARISH WEBSITE**

### **Gloucester and District Christian Choir**

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



## Newsletter Supplement for 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020

**The role of the Marriage and Family Life worker:** Is key in supporting the implementation of the Bishop's vision for the diocese in '*A Future Full of Hope*'. A job description & application form can also be found on the Clifton Diocese website. This is a part-time post, three days a week (21 hours). Closing date: Sunday 19 January. For more information please contact: [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com) or tel: 0117 902 5595.

**The Governing Body of St Peters High School and Sixth Form Centre:** are looking to appoint foundation governors. Applications from people with skills in the following areas are particularly welcome: Strategic Planning, Governance, Project management, Risk management, Change management, Financial management, Employment law and Practice Education. If you are interested, please contact the clerk to the governors Derek Newman\_email: [Dnewman@sphs.uk.com](mailto:Dnewman@sphs.uk.com)

**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 21<sup>st</sup> March from 10.30am to 4.30pm. Prior to that there is a training course which begins on Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 11 am – 4.30pm and continues on Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Feb and Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Mar at the same times all in the Prinknash Meeting Room next to the café. The course and retreat is free although the accompanying workbook costs £6. Donations on the retreat day are welcome to cover costs.

**'Called by Name'** An evening in preparation for the Rite of Election. This is an opportunity for catechumens, candidates, sponsors and anyone interested in supporting people who are preparing to become full members of the Catholic community to come together and reflect upon what it means to be 'Called by Name' which is central to the liturgy we celebrate at the Rite of Election. Our evening together will not simply focus on what happens at the Rite of Election but on its central important message, which is the desire to respond to a call from God. During the course of the evening we will also look at the liturgy itself and the Rite of Sending to the Rite of Election. Do come if you can. The date and venue for Gloucestershire is Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at English Martyrs Church Hall from 7.30pm to 9pm.

**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 28<sup>th</sup> January at English Martyrs Church Hall from 6.30pm – 9.00pm