



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.



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A 23rd February 2020

Responsorial Psalm	The Lord is compassion and love.
Gospel Acclamation	If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.
Communion Antiphon	I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 22 nd Feb		6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	John McVann Anniv
Sun 23 rd Feb	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	People of the Parishes K T Joseph RIP
Mon 24 th Feb		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	Mark Taylor RIP
Tues 25 th Feb	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass		Barbara Wood RIP
Wed 26 th Feb	7.30pm Mass with distribution of ashes	10.00am Mass with distribution of ashes	Ash Wednesday Concetta Alongi RIP Mina Ward (RIP)
Thurs 27 th Feb	10.00am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion		Fr Gerry's Day off
Fri 28 th Feb		11.15am Stations of the Cross 12 Noon Mass	Holy Souls
Sat 29 th Feb	9.30am Rosary 10.00am Mass	6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Raymond (Nick) Nicholls B'day RIP 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.

First Holy Communion: Parents Meeting The next parents meeting for candidates from both parishes will be looking at the Holy Eucharist on Wednesday 18th March at 7.30pm in English Martyrs Church Hall. The material is aimed at parents not the children, If you need to bring a child(ren) with you there will be activities provided for them.

St Augustine's Children's session this Sunday and then Sunday 15th March starting at 9.45am in the Hall.

English Martyrs Next Children's Session Saturday 7th March 9.30am to 12 noon in the Hall.

Bible Study: The Bible Study returns to its usual English Martyrs venue at 10.30am on Thursday 27th February.

Discussion Group: Meets this Ash Wednesday 26th February at 7.30pm in St Augustine's Hall.

Shrove Tuesday 25th February: Pancakes, Pudding and Praise in English Martyrs Hall from 7.30pm. All welcome.

LENT 2020: During Lent, on Wednesdays, except Ash Wednesday and Wednesday of Holy Week, there will be an early mass at 6.30am followed by breakfast alternating between the two parishes and in the evening there will be an opportunity for us to watch videos produced by the Bishops of England and Wales to enable us to deepen our understand of 'Creation' and what we can do to help the climate emergency. The course will take place in St Augustine's Hall starting at 7.30pm.

The Easter Triduum: This year will be celebrated in English in the Ordinary Form at English Martyrs as follows:

7.30pm Mass of the Last Supper with washing of the feet Maundy Thursday 9th April,

3pm Good Friday Celebration of the Passion of the Lord with Holy Communion Friday 10th April

9pm Easter Vigil Saturday 11th April

Easter Sunday is on 12th April our Sunday Mass times remain the same as usual 9am English Martyrs 11am St Augustine's.

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: 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!

Leap Year Day Prayer Stations: On Sat 29th Feb from 10am to 2pm you are invited to visit St George's CofE Church and visit and pray at the Prayer Stations prepared by the Church in Tuffley. Tea and coffee and a warm welcome awaits. Use the extra day you have this year wisely, spend some of the time in prayer.

Newman Association: There will be a talk on Tuesday 3 March at 7.30pm, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts' Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU. James Abbott, journalist, broadcaster and digital specialist, working for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales, will speak to us on: The Digital World: To fear or to embrace? All are welcome. Admission: £3 (members & students free) Enquires to Stephanie Jamison, tel: 01242 539810

World Day of Prayer Friday 6th March: There are two events taking place in our Parishes using the material written by the Christian women of Zimbabwe on the theme "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk". 10.30am at Christchurch Abbeydale followed by coffee and cake and 2pm at St Barnabas Church followed by refreshments. Everyone welcome.

PRINKNASH ABBEY: Come to the Abbey Chapel on Saturday 7th March 3pm to 4pm and join us for DIVINE MERCY prayers and the ROSARY led by Abbot Martin McLaughlin. Everyone Welcome.

The Governing Body of St Peters High School and Sixth Form Centre are looking to appoint foundation governors. If you are interested, please contact the clerk to the governors Derek Newman at dnewman@sphs.uk.com

St Peter's High School Casual Exam Invigilator Posts: St. Peter's are looking to recruit a number of Casual Exam Invigilators to join our invigilation team, £9.20/hour (includes holiday pay Invigilators need to be available during the months of **November, May & June** and must be available for at least **6 sessions** per week. **Start Times:** Morning Session – 8.45am Afternoon Session – 12:30pm The post requires you to oversee and supervise examinations and to ensure that guidelines and regulations for the integrity and security of the examination papers and procedures are followed during examination sessions. Further information can be found by contacting Karen Thompson via recruitment@sphs.uk.com

Vacancy for: RE Lead Salary: £42,000 - £45,000 depending on experience Hours: 35 hours full time Permanent Post. The appointed candidate will report to the Director of Education for Schools and Colleges to ensure that the Bishop's vision for our Catholic schools is visible in their Catholic identity, character and ethos. The RE Lead will be responsible for supporting the development of Catholic schools are providers of high quality educational, religious and spiritual standards. A copy of the job description and person specification are available on the Department's website: <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/> where you will also find the application form. The closing date for applications is Friday, 13 March and interviews will take place on Friday, 20th March 2020. Applications can be submitted via email to colleen.collett@cliftondiocese.com or via post to The Director, Department for Schools and Colleges, Alexander House, 160 Pennywell Road, Easton, Bristol BS5 0TX.

Parish Finances: English Martyrs: Cash Offertory next week. On 20th February English Martyrs paid the last instalment on their hall loan to the Diocese! A truly magnificent achievement, well ahead of schedule and we are especially grateful to all who have given generously of their time and money at fundraising events and in collections over the years since the inception of the idea of a new parish hall. Interest free parishioner carpark loans outstanding £17,500. Standing order donations received into the parish bank account in January £1,706 **St Augustine's** Standing order donations received into the parish bank account in January £1,367. Offertory envelopes and cash £1,063.73 **Thank you for your generosity.**

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



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