



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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NO CONFESSIONS SATURDAY 16TH OCTOBER AS FR GERRY IS ON ANNUAL LEAVE ENGLISH MARTYRS

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.



Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 11th October 2020

Entrance Antiphon	If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.
Responsorial Psalm	In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.
Gospel Acclamation	The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.
Communion Antiphon	The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 10 th Oct		6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	Cliff Wakefield RIP
Sun 11 th Oct	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	Hugh Berry RIP Mariad Farrell Sick
Mon 12 th Oct	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass		Harry Gray Anniv
Tues 13 th Oct	6.00pm Rosary	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass 10.30am Rosary	People of the Parishes
Wed 14 th Oct	6.30pm Mass		Deceased members of the Nichols family
Thurs 15 th Oct	No Masses in either Church as Fr Gerry is on leave		St Teresa of Avila
Fri 16 th Oct			
Sat 17 th Oct	No morning Mass or Confessions	No Confessions 6.30pm (Vigil) Mass	St Ignatius of Antioch

**MASSES AVAILABLE VIRTUALLY LIVE VIA SKYPE GUEST LINK <https://join.skype.com/IMJtoOE71NTR>
EXCEPT 6.30PM ON SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER**

**BOTH CHURCHES ARE USING TRACK & TRACE AND CAN ACCOMMODATE
APPROX 70 PEOPLE. PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR FACE COVERING
THE CHURCHES WILL OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER 20 MINUTES BEFORE MASS STARTS**

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: Those in hospital with Covid-19 and John Connors, Susan Maher, Ellen Wagner, Kath Griffiths, Albert Turner, Shelia Robertson, Maria Oldfield, Janet Wagner, Andrea Brushneen, Joan Humphreys, Peggy Keogh, Lisa Knight, Maureen Moloney, Mary Gorman, Jim Young, Elizabeth Bopoto, Pat Murray, Pat Gilbert, Bridie O'Boyle, Rosemary Bernard, Janet Peacey and Elizabeth Knight.

Thanks: To Fr Paul Brandon and Fr Stephen Squires who will be supplying for the Sunday Masses on 17th and 18th October as Fr Gerry takes some annual leave in Walsingham 'England's Nazareth' from 15th to 22nd October.

First Holy Communion 2019/20 Children: All families have now been contacted by the lead catechists Debbie at English Martyrs or Tony at St Augustine's via the last contact details we have for them about our plans subject to the uncertainties of the pandemic for their children making their First Holy Communion in 2021. Families can contact them or Fr Gerry to explore other options if they wish to do so.

First Holy Communion 2020/21 Children: At this stage given all the Covid-19 uncertainties it is far from certain when and how the 2020/21 First Holy Communion preparation will be run. The hope is we could celebrate First Holy Communion at the usual times the first Saturday of May in English Martyrs and mid-June in St Augustine's but these may need to be changed. In order to get some idea of numbers, so Fr Gerry and the catechists can plan as soon as things become clearer, please ask Fr Gerry after Mass or email him on gerry.walsh@cliftondiocese.com for an Expression of Interest Form. These should be returned by Sunday 1st November.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Preparation for Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church: If you are interested in becoming a Catholic whether you have been baptised or not please contact Fr Gerry by Sunday 25th October. The plan is to start a course of preparation probably online given all the current covid-19 restrictions during the first week of November.

Rosary Whirlwind British Isles – October 2020 - for Faith, Life & Peace: Is taking place throughout October with a nightly online Rosary at 8pm led from a different Marian Shrine, Cathedral or Parish. For details as to how you can join the online Rosary go to <https://www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk/> or follow their twitter feed. This Tuesday 13th October the anniversary of the 'miracle of the sun' at Fatima in 1917 our Parishes will take part in the 'Rosary Whirlwind British Isles Day' with the Sorrowful Mysteries being said after Mass at St Augustine's at ~10.30am and the Glorious Mysteries being said at 6pm from English Martyrs. You will be able to attend in person following the same conditions as for Mass or join us online via the Skype link.

Back to Basics: CELEBRATE are going Back to Basics! This Sunday afternoon on their Facebook page and their YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmBrUA8zNZGzO324RWA3rZw/featured> from 3.30pm they will have a session for children aged 5-10 years old and their parents. On Monday 19th from 7.30pm to 8.30pm on Zoom Claire Fernandes will talk about the Family To register go to <https://www.celebrateconference.org/back-to-basics-2020> .

Children Starting School in 2021?: If you have a child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2021 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of Gloucestershire Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2021.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day: This took place on Friday 9th October the theme being Rebuild Lives. Cafod Harvest Fast Envelopes are attached to the physical newsletter this weekend and are also available loose on the newsletter table – like the newsletter if you touch it please take it! To space out the second collections we will take the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day collection in the parish on the weekend of 17th/18th Oct. though you may leave your CAFOD collection envelope in any collection. If you wish to give online go to www.cafid.org/give or text CAFOD to 70085 to donate £10 (cost £10 +text cost)

Alex's Challenge for St Mungo's: I wanted to pass on a huge "THANK YOU!" to everyone who supported me on my "race across the world" challenge for St Mungo's these last months! It was certainly a big ask to cycle 900 miles in 12 weeks, but with all the generosity and support behind me I was able to complete the challenge on time and in fact managed 956 miles in total! With your kind donations we managed to raise an impressive £1,015!! That added to the Event Total meant we raised just shy of £10,000, including my US based colleagues - St Mungo's were blown away and as we come out of one of the most trying times in recent history for the homeless your generosity will have had a significant impact on their lives, so thanks again. Alex

Year of Communion Gospel Reflection for 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In his first exhortation, 'The Joy of the Gospel', Pope Francis reminds us of the key message which lies at the heart of Christianity: "Jesus Christ loves you, he gave his life for you, and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you." This is the first proclamation, the Kerygma which we as Christians are called to proclaim. It is the Good News, the really good news of an invitation to a banquet – not just any banquet but the great banquet of the Lord. Everyone is invited but either through a lack of awareness or complete indifference not everyone accepts the invitation. There are also those who will ridicule or attack us when we try to offer the invitation. We cannot give up – we are sent to the four corners of the earth, to anyone who will listen so that all can hear and respond, as they choose. It is not just about saying yes to the invitation, it is about saying yes in all its fullness to following Jesus, whatever the cost!

