



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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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



Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B 2nd May 2021

Entrance Antiphon	O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.
Responsorial Psalm	You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.
Gospel Acclamation	Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.
Communion Antiphon	I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 1 st May		6.30pm Mass Confessions after Mass	Thanksgiving Mass for all the Lord has done for me and my family
Sun 2 nd May	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	David Peter Rogers Anniv People of the Parishes
Mon 3 rd May	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass		<i>Feast Saints Philip and James</i> Deceased members of the Gray and Moloney Families
Tues 4 th May	6.30pm Mass		<i>Feast of English Martyrs</i> For Victims and Survivors of Abuse
Wed 5 th May		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	For those with cerebral palsy, their careers, doctors and researchers
Thurs 6 th May	2pm to 4pm Eucharistic Adoration		Fr Gerry's Day off
Fri 7 th May		10.00am Mass	Neil Andersan's Intention
Sat 8 th May	9.30am Rosary 10.00am Mass Confessions after Mass	6.30pm Mass Confessions after Mass	Rudulfo Tata Rivera Vicente Serrano Sr. People of the Parishes

ALL MASSES AND LITURGIES CAN BE ATTENDED IN PERSON IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENGLISH GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS AND ARE AVAILABLE VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM AS OUR PRAYERS AT

<https://zoom.us/j/96050045104?pwd=YWsrTnVXVUJsL2dxMlVkUy9aU1c5UT09>

Meeting ID: 960 5004 5104 Passcode: 448036

Please pray: For all those who have died recently especially: Nathaniel Jelbert who died on 3rd March his Requiem will be at English Martyrs on 4th May – if anyone wishes to attend please contact Fr Gerry or Marisa and Margaret Greer who died on 15th April her Requiem Mass will be at St Augustine's the family are using all 30 allowed spaces. **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, Elizabeth Knight, Albert Turner, Maria Oldfield, Janet Wagner, Andrea Brushneen, Peggy Keogh, Lisa Knight, Maureen Moloney, Mary Gorman, Jim Young, Elizabeth Bopoto, Pat Murray, Deacon David Hebbes, Fr Donal Daly, Janet Peacey and Nicholas Payne.

First Holy Communion Preparation: Continue next week with First Holy Communion Children in certain cohorts attending preparation sessions in our halls with one parent starting at 10am. The cohorts are for St Augustine's those who started in 2019 and for English Martyrs those who started in 2021. The start time will enable English Martyrs families to attend the 9am Mass and St Augustine families to attend the 11am Mass. Please keep the First Holy Communion candidates, their families and our catechists in your prayers.

Marian Month of May: Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the Covid pandemic across the world. The initiative, behind which Pope Francis has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world. It takes place under the theme "The whole Church was fervently praying to God," which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts (12:5). Prayers will be broadcast from the Marian Shrine at 6pm Rome time via the Vatican media. Pope Francis will start this with a special rosary broadcast on the 1st May & conclude it on 31st May. In our own parishes as well as encouraging everyone to pray a decade of the rosary each day during May for this intention, as we did in May 2020, we would like people to pray a single decade sometime in May for all the people in a Street, Close, Road or Village for which one of the 2 parishes have pastoral responsibility. If you would like to receive some streets etc. to pray for please contact Marisa or Fr Gerry. Our Lady Queen of May – Pray for us.

Coronavirus India Appeal: At an assembly in St Peter's Catholic Primary School this week, the staff and children committed themselves to standing alongside their Indian Community in prayer and support at this difficult time for them. They are also collecting money to support the British Red Cross and Cafod Coronavirus India Appeal. If you would like to support the children and staff in this effort you can place a donation in the money basket marked Coronavirus India appeal. We also support in the children in the following prayer which they are encouraged to pray with their families: *Dear Father, We place ourselves in your presence as we remember in prayer all those who have died from coronavirus. May you grant them eternal rest, may your light shine upon them and may they rest in peace. We also pray for their families who are grieving at this time. We ask that you bring them comfort, healing and strength. Give them your hope and help them to face every day with you by their side. Calm their fears, hold them in your love and surround them with your peace. Amen*

Dare to Dream: A new reflection and video will appear on the Diocesan Website: <https://cliftondiocese.com/dare-to-dream/> each Friday of Easter. All the Dare to Dream resources are on the same page. Please record your thoughts as suggested and feel free to feed them back to Fr Gerry or any member of the Joint Parishes Pastoral Council anytime.

Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse – 4 May 2021: The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors (PCPM) has highlighted the importance of prayer and suggested to Pope Francis that the worldwide Catholic Church should join together in a day of prayer. The Holy Father has welcomed this initiative. From 2021, in response to a request from the Let's Be Honest working group, the Bishops have chosen Tuesday of the 5th Week of Easter as the Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse. Much of the material in this resource has been written by and with survivors. The material will be emailed to those who receive the email in this way and will also be on the newsletter page of our website. The rearranged 6.30pm Mass because of an earlier funeral that evening will be offered for victims and survivors of abuse.

Day of the Lord: The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have issued a reflection on post-pandemic recovery and the challenges faced by the Church in encouraging people back to the Church and her Sacraments. The reflection, entitled 'Day of the Lord' will be emailed to those who receive the email in this way and will also be on the newsletter page of our website.

Oberammergau Passion Play Pilgrimage: Led by Fr Gerry and The Revd. Sarah Todd from 13th to 20th May 2022 with 5 nights before the play in Eastern Tyrol, Austria. Organised by McCabe Pilgrimages. Cost £1,840pp sharing. For further details ask for a brochure or go to <https://www.mccabe-travel.co.uk/pilgrimages/maria-alm/>

Admission to St Peter's Catholic Primary School: We currently have places available in our Reception classes. If you are looking for a place in our current reception year or know of someone who is, please contact Mrs. Harris (Admissions Officer) by telephone: 01452 524792 or by email: admin@st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk.

Finances: We are very grateful to all those parishioners who have continued to give by Standing Order throughout the pandemic in both parishes and to those who have kept their Offertory Envelopes at St Augustine's up to date by handing these in when they come. Our loose collection in both parishes has suffered as a result of the lockdown and if you support either parish by this means we ask you to consider the donations you are able to make given your financial circumstances which we appreciate for many is worse and for some much worse than pre pandemic. For a while in 2020 the Diocese charged us a significantly lower Parish Share, during the rest of 2021 this will be charged based on our 2020 income. Once again thank you for your financial support to your parishes.

