



Sunday Year B
Newsletter 19th May 2024
SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST



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Readings

Entrance Antiphon (*Vigil Mass Simple Form*)

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.

First Reading (*Sunday only*)

The Acts of the Apostle 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

Responsorial Psalm

(*Response for both the Vigil and Sunday*)

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth. Alleluia!

(*Words of Psalm Sunday different for Vigil*)

#Bless the Lord, my Soul! Lord God, how great you are. How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches.

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created: and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his Works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord.

Second Reading (*Sunday Only*)

Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised

PENTECOST SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, From the clear celestial height Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure Come, thou light of all that live! Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow Thou in toil art comfort sweet Pleasant coolness in the heat Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine, And our inmost being fill: If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay All his good is turned to ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew On our dryness pour thy dew Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will Melt the frozen, warm the chill Guide the steps that go astray. Thou, on us who evermore Thee confess and thee adore, With thy sevenfold gifts descend: Give us comfort when we die Give us life with thee on high Give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-23 (*Sunday only*)

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you, receive the Holy Spirit.

Communion Antiphon: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God. Alleluia!



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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

Parish Liturgies and Liturgical Days

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS	SAINT AUGUSTINE'S	MASS INTENTION AND LITURGICAL DAY
Sat 18 th May		6.30pm Vigil Mass	Manuel Brazao RIP
Sun 19 th May	9.00am Mass	11.00am Mass	P J Reilley for a speedy recovery Alice and Peter Crowther RIP
Mon 20 th May	9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	Funeral Service 12.30pm for Michael Townsend	BVM Mother of the Church William (Bill) Gillibrand RIP
Tues 21 st May		9.30am Adoration 10.00am Mass	7 th Week in Ordinary Time Year 2 Barbara Wood B'day Remembrance
Wed 22 nd May	No Mass in either Church. On Wednesday Fr Gerry is concelebrating a Requiem Mass for a former Catholic Headteacher at the Catholic Primary School of St Joseph's Portishead, where he was PP. On Thursday he and other priests are gathering with our new Bishop Bosco for Mass.		
Thurs 23 rd May			Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest
Fri 24 th May	10.00am Mass		Thanksgiving Daniel Ajay
Sat 25 th May	No Morning Mass, Rosary or Confessions. Fr Gerry in Bristol	6.30pm Mass	People of the Parishes

Confessions times this week: English Martyrs no scheduled confessions this week.

St Augustine's before Saturday evening Mass 5.45pm to 6.15pm in both parishes upon request to Fr Gerry

Please pray for: Timothy Martin Peacock who will be Baptised, Confirmed and make his First Holy Communion in English Martyrs at their 9am on Sunday 26th May. **We pray for those who have died recently especially:** For Michael Townsend whose Funeral Service will be at 12.30pm on Monday 20th May at St Augustine's **We also pray for those who mourn or whose anniversaries occur at this time. Please pray for the sick especially:** Brian Hutcheson, James Broslin, Margaret Knight, Max Hall, Zita Drummond, John Connors, Susan Maher, Ellen Wagner, Maria Oldfield, Janet Wagner, Andrea Brushneen, Peggy Keogh, Maureen Moloney, Elizabeth Bopoto, Pat Murray, Janet Peacey, Nicholas Payne, Claire Cooper, Dorothy Flower, Bernadette Williams, David Williams, Jan Donnelly, Roman Peacey, Rita Smith, Monica Evans, Patrick McGovern, Julia Brenchley, Kathleen Withers, Edgar Rebello, Ian Gough, Maria Oandasani, Alan Dinsmore, George O'Neill, and Maria McGovern. **A gentle reminder that names can only be added to the pray list for the sick if individuals or their legal representatives have consented in order to comply with GDPR regulations**

English Martyrs Children's Mass: Thank you to all those Children who are taking part in any way in today's special Children's Mass, complete with a play and songs. The next Children's Mass will be on Sunday 16th June.

Children's Liturgy of the Word at St Augustine's: Will take place next on Sunday 26th May. On other Sunday's families with young children are invited to use the resources at the back of the Church.

St Augustine's Faith Discussion Group. The next meeting in St Augustine's Hall will be on Wednesday 22nd May starting at 7.30pm with refreshments from 7.15pm The group continues to read & discuss the Acts of the Apostles. The following meeting will be on 5th June.



English Martyrs Summer Fete is to take place on Saturday the 22nd June 12 noon until 4 pm: We would like you to start bringing in items for the fete and leave them in the Narthex. We need good bric-a-brac, toys, handbags/scarves, books, toiletries and bottles (full) for the bottle stall. On the week of the fete we'd really appreciate cakes for the cake stall. **Sorry but we can't take electrical goods or videos.** Thank you all in advance for your continued support of our events



PLEASE SUPPORT US!

Volunteers Required: We urgently need your help to keep our church going? Can you spare a few hours per month during the day? We would love

help cleaning the church and hall plus cutting the grass? If so, please, please contact Marisa in the office at English Martyrs thank you!

Please consider being a St Augustine's 'Welcomer' at either Saturday evening or Sunday mass. A list is in the porch so please give it a go and increase our happy band who gives a warm welcome to all. Thank you.

Saturday Vigil Mass at St Augustine's: A report on the census was given to the St Augsutine's Open meeting last Wednesday evening, 22 people returned a census form. 11 wanted the time to remain unchanged at 6.30pm. 11 wanted the time to be earlier but there was no consensus as to the exact time. The open meeting suggested that perhaps a consensus could be agreed by those who regularly attend this Mass to have the Vigil Mass at 6.30pm during BST and to move it 1 hour earlier to 5.30pm when the clocks in the UK are set to GMT. Those who attend this Mass are asked to prayerfully consider this proposal and next Saturday 25th May at the 6.30pm Mass your views will be sort. No change to Mass times changes even if there is a consensus are not final until they are agreed by our Pastoral Area Dean Fr Gary and Bishop Bosco.

Syro-Malabar Mass Times and use of St Augustine's Church: Following a request at the St Augsutine's Parish Open Meeting there is now a diary on the St Augsutine's Page of the Joint Parishes website which list the Syro-Malabar Mass times and other uses they have requested of the Church until the 31st July. As with the Hall booking diary this will be updated as required.

Celebration of Marriage and Family Life at the Cathedral on 25th May at Midday: All families are encouraged to join Bishop Bosco in celebrating this Mass with him. You will be made very welcome Five couples from our Parishes will have their names read out during the Mass as Fr Gerry is aware they have or will celebrate 65th, 60th or 40th Wedding Anniversaries during 2024 and their names have been passed onto the Diocese. They are Dorothy and John Flower, Cathy and George Harkin, Sadie and John Thompson, Eilis and Ken Brill and George & Nikki O'Neill Congratulations and Blessings to them all. If there are others who are or who have celebrated significant anniversaries in 2024, please do let him know.

ENCOUNTER - DAY OF RENEWAL: There will be a special day of renewal at St Bonaventure's, Bristol from 10am to 4pm starting with Mass on Saturday 25th May. Mass, uplifting worship, inspiring teaching and testimonies. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available and prayer for baptism in the Holy Spirit. Childrens' stream available too. Refreshments provided but bring a packed lunch. To give us an idea of numbers for the day, we ask you to book a free ticket for all members of your party here: www.dftholyspirit.com/encounter-may-2024

CYAN – Young Adult Social: CYAN is a group of Catholic Young Adults (18-35 year olds). They will be having their next social on Sunday 26th May. Join us for Mass at St Gregory's at 5.00pm, followed by Pizza and socialising in the Old Priory, all topped off with Mini Golf in the Brewery to end the night. register your interest either by following and messaging our Instagram page: [cyan_glos](#) or please message Abbi on 07495 788633.

Dementia Friendly Church, 8th June 2024: The Safeguarding Team are supporting this initiative for Clifton Diocese having seen an increase in concerns from Parishes where Dementia is present. This is a great opportunity for the Parish to attend and learn more about how we can support our aging population to continue to worship safely in the Catholic Church. The Safeguarding Team will be attending the event but it is important that this event is supported at Parish level so your attendance will be very much appreciated. If you have any questions, then please don't hesitate to contact the Safeguarding Coordinator on 01179540993. Please book direct by using the Eventbrite link and it would be really helpful if you can let the Safeguarding Team know so they have an understanding of attendance. See the Clifton Diocese website for further details.

We are pleased to confirm that the Annual Pilgrimage to Glastonbury, led by the Bishop, is taking place again this year on the second Sunday in July – Sunday 14th July 2024. The theme of this year's pilgrimage is again 'Mary, Woman of Prayer', in line with the Pope's theme of the Year of Prayer. Once again, this year, from 12 noon until 3.00pm, the Shrine Church will become a chapel of Exposition and Silent Adoration, and will also offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, in a quiet and more contemplative environment immediately opposite the Abbey grounds. Also, from 12 noon until 3.00pm, Private Healing Prayer will be offered in a separate tented chapel, which will be erected immediately inside the Abbey gates, close to the church. The Rosary Procession will start in the Abbey grounds at 2.15pm, and the pilgrimage Mass will be celebrated by the Bishop at 3.30pm

Growing Seeds of Hope: we are delighted to let you know that the Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph will be returning once more to lead us in our exploration of how we form people in the Faith Their knowledge and practical experience will help to guide and inspire us in our ministry as catechists. I hope it will also enable and inspire anyone who may not yet be a catechist but who cares about the formation of children, young people, and adults, not only for sacramental preparation but in all the in-between stages. The day takes place on **Saturday 13 July at St. John the Baptist parish centre, Trowbridge**. Refreshments from 9.30am. Please bring a packed lunch. The day will end at 4pm. Registration is essential for this event, parishioners just need to contact us at the adult.education@cliftondiocese.com email address.

2024 - Year of Prayer

The Joint Parishes Pastoral Council at their meeting last week decided to invite everyone in both parishes to submit their favourite prayer whether written by a great saint, or by themselves, or that they have been praying for years or only started praying recently. The prayer can be only a few words or of a longer length. It should be a prayer rather than a prayer request. If you know who wrote the prayer, please do include this when you send your prayer in as we need to ensure we credit the prayer appropriately.

Ideally prayers should be sent by email as a pdf or word attachment or included as text in the email itself to either of the parish email accounts that is tuffley.englishmartyrs@cliftondiocese.com or matson.staugustineofcanterbury@cliftondiocese.com If you don't use email if they could be neatly written out and put in an envelope marked 'Favourite Prayer'. All favourite prayers should be submitted by 10pm on Sunday 9th June and your welcome to send in more than one.

Depending on how many are received by the submission date the prayers will either be included here in the newsletter or maybe in a booklet to be printed and shared with parishioners as long as copyright will allow us to do so. Please do send in your favourite prayer so that together we can encourage one another to deepen our live of prayer.