

Saint Patrick's Church



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Sunday Readings: Of the Feast
Weekday Readings: Year 2

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10.30am

Vigil Mass (Sat) 5.30pm

Sunday Mass 9.30am

The People of the Parish

Monday 10 February	No Mass	Saint Scholastica, Virgin
Tuesday 11 February	6.00pm Mass	Our Lady of Lourdes
Wednesday 12 February	12.00pm Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Thursday 13 February	12.00pm Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Friday 14 February	12.00pm Mass	FEAST OF SS CYRIL & METHODIUS
Saturday 15 February	10.00am Mass	Our Lady on Saturday
Sunday 16 February	9.30am Solemn Mass <i>followed by refreshments in the Hall</i>	THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5.30pm Sung Vigil Mass of Sunday

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Racial Justice Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 58: 7-10

Former exiles returned to Jerusalem were disappointed that it was taking so long to restore their city. Isaiah told them it was their fault because they were not sharing. Then he gives them an alternative.

Psalm (111) Response

The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-5

Saint Paul had given an eloquent speech to the sophisticated people of Athens, and failed miserably. In his next stop, Corinth, he vowed to get out of God's way and preach only Christ crucified. The results were very different.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
Anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16

As Jesus continues his Sermon on the Mount, he uses two metaphors to teach his followers their special role in the world.

Please remember in your prayers

The Sick: Christopher Brawl, Julia Wright, Pauline Feeney, John Hunt, Margaret Brown, Lindsay Price and Christopher and all in our hospitals and nursing homes and those who care for them.

Day of Prayer for Racial Justice / Tuesday World Day of Prayer for the Sick

Pope Francis February Prayer Intention: that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Diocesan Prayer Link: St Patrick, Brockworth

& Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Churchdown

Christians in Corsham Prayer Link: The Anglican Churches

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Liturgical Ministries in the Parish Thank you to the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who gathered last Saturday and to all who sent apologies. If you could not make it please let Fr Michael know of a Saturday or evening when you might be free to arrange for a re-run. We continue our Liturgical Ministry gatherings with a morning for **CLOW (Children's Liturgy of the Word)** leaders next Saturday 15th February in the hall at 10.45am after the 10am Mass. This is for all our CLOW leaders and anyone who might like to take up this ministry.

First Holy Communion 2020 Parents/ Carers of First Holy Communion Candidates meet for the first time at St Patrick's School on Friday 14th at 3.30pm.

Preparing for Holy Week - Dates for the Diary. We are gathering for a series of three evenings in the hall to help us celebrate the Sacred Triduum (Three days) as a community with understanding and richness. Thursday 12th March '*Celebrating Holy Thursday*'. 19th March '*Celebrating Good Friday*'. Thursday 2nd April '*Celebrating the Great Easter Vigil*'. We will look at what we celebrate, its background and why and how we celebrate this wonderful season of our redemption. Do come along!

LGBT The next diocesan celebration of the Eucharist for the LGBT community, family and friends is on February 16th at St Nicholas of Tolentino, Bristol. All welcome.

Being a Dementia Friendly Church A day of speakers, workshops and resources to help you grow a dementia friendly church 9.45 -15.00 on Friday 13 March Westbury on Trim. Workshops will include: Telling your story, praying with meaning, caring for the carer, creating a playlist for life. The day is free and lunch provided. To register please go to: www.dementiachurch.eventbrite.co.uk. Or call Tony on 0117 968 1002 Baptist Church, Bristol BS9 3TE. Speaker is Charlotte Overton-Hart.

NEWS THIS WEEK

Congratulations to Guy Tomlinson who is to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at 9.30am Mass this weekend. Please keep Guy in your prayers as he begins a new path on his spiritual journey.

Starting THIS WEEK Bishop Barron's 'Catholicism' film series St Patrick's Church Hall on Thursday 13th February 7.30pm – 8.30pm. Popcorn & other cinema snacks & drinks provided. 2.7m x 1.5m screen. All free, no pressure: attend as many or as few dates as you like. Please arrive in good time for an 7.30pm showing. See poster for full details.

Parking on Bath Road Would vehicles parking on the path please ensure there is safe access on the path for wheelchair users and pedestrians to use the footpath with ease. Please do not park over the dropped kerb. Thank you.

Lent 2020 The Season of Lent will soon be upon us. (Ash Wednesday – 26 February). There will be two Masses for Ash Wednesday – 9.30am in St Patrick's School and 7pm in the Church both with the giving of ashes. All welcome at either Mass. Our ecumenical friends are invited to join us for the ashing in Church. We continue to pray that one day we may all be able to share together at the Lord's table, the perfect sign of our unity.

Children's Liturgy Would like to thank the whole parish for supporting our Mary's Meals Backpack Project. We made 28 full backpacks and collected 4 huge boxes of spare items to gift to Mary's Meals. Thank you for a fantastic response, we were overwhelmed by your support. All the items donated were collected by Mary's Meals last week.

Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham The Bishops are inviting us to prepare for the rededication of our country and its people as the Dowry of Mary. The statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will be 'visiting' Clifton Cathedral on **20 –22 Feb** and there is a full itinerary for the two days. See the notice board or go to behold2020.com for more information.

Singers and Musicians meet at 6.15pm on Wednesdays in Church. All welcome as we prepare our music for the Mass.