

ST MARY'S
(Our Lady, Help of Christians)

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Benvenuto - Bienvenu - Svāgatam - Chào mung - Merhba - Mabuhay - ласкаво просимо - Huanying

Open our hearts, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday 17th July 2022

9.00am Mass [Private intention](#)

10.30am Mass [Private intention](#)

5.00pm Mass [People of the parish](#)

Monday 18th July

Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Tuesday 19th July

Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Wednesday 20th July

Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Thursday 21st July

Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Friday 22nd July

St Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles

No Mass

Saturday 23rd July

St Bridget, Patron of Europe

No Mass or sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession is normally available 10.30am - 11.00am on Saturdays & by request.

There will be no Masses at St Mary's 16th July, 18th-23rd July, & 25-29th July. We welcome Fr Patrick Daly who will celebrate the Sunday Masses on 17th July.

HOSPITAL: If you or a loved one is going into the **Royal United Hospital**, contact the RUH Chaplaincy ruh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net or call 01225 428331 on arrival.

If Fr Jeremy is not available, and a priest is required urgently, please call:
St John's Fr Chris Whitehead 464471
St Alphege's Fr Alex McAllister 424894
Sts Peter and Paul Fr Bill 832096

Please be aware that we have CCTV cameras in the church, the car park & the parish centre.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

1st Reading: The story in this reading may come across as rather strange to us: the element that we need to remember is the power of Abraham's Intercession before God.

2nd Reading: Paul emphasises to the Colossians the need to shun false philosophies and instead concentrate on what Christ has done for them.

Gospel: The aspect of the Lord's Prayer stressed in Luke's account is that of the need for persistence in the prayer of petition.

CONGRATULATIONS to Fr Joseph Meigh, ordained to the priesthood last Saturday in Clifton Cathedral. Thank you to all the parishioners who supported him by travelling to Clifton Cathedral. We wish him well in his new role of assistant priest at St Osmund's in Salisbury. Please pray for him and all those called to the priesthood.

Parish prayer link:

For the priests killed in Nigeria

For the newly ordained Fr Joseph Meigh

For Fr Jeremy, 44 years a priest.

For those who will struggle to feed their children during the summer holidays

Diocesan Church Prayer Link:

Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Charlton Kings

Coming to Mass:

*Please use the **hand sanitiser**.

***Face coverings:** It is advisable to wear one, but it is not mandatory.

***Stewards** act as welcomers to the church.

***Communion:** move as directed by stewards.

*Holy Communion is under one kind

*The Sign of Peace is spoken only

*Please use the "leave a space" signs if you do not want to sit directly next to someone else.

PARISH OFFICE: Email Mon-Fri

Postal items: 4 Harley Street, Bath, BA1 2SF

To register as a parishioner, complete the census form on the website

<https://www.stmarysbath.org.uk/parish-life> & send/email it to the parish office. There are also paper copies of the parish census form at the back of the church as you arrive.

Email Charlotte to receive the Sunday bulletin by email and/or join the parishioner email list:

Bath.stmary@cliftondiocese.com The parish

centre is available for hire again: discount rates for parishioners, regular bookings & charities.

PRAYER FOR THE ELDERLY As the Church gears up to celebrate the 2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on 24th July, Pope Francis is calling on Catholics to pray throughout the month for the elderly. Read more about it here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/popes-july-prayer-intention-for-the-elderly/> You can watch Pope Francis talk about the importance of the elderly here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-to-the-elderly-god-sends-his-angels-to-console-your-loneliness/> The Pope underlines that there is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to grandchildren.

CONFIRMATION Mgr Liam Slattery will be coming to Bath on 11th November to confer the sacrament of Confirmation upon our young people (Y9-13). The preparation course begins on Tues 13th Sept. Application forms and all the information about the course are available from the parish website <https://www.stmarysbath.org.uk/sacraments>

SANCTUARY LAMPS: Three 7-day candles are available to purchase for your intentions. Envelopes are at the entrance to the church in which you can specify the lamp & the intention. Minimum offering per candle £5.00 to cover its cost. Please give the envelope to Fr Jeremy. The Intention will be published in the bulletin unless you wish it to remain private.

Week beginning Sunday 17th July

Sanctuary Lamp 1: Ints. Phil Rodgers

Sanctuary Lamp 2: Special intention

VAN: Does anyone have both a van and the muscles to take a broken filing cabinet to the tip? If so, contact the parish office.

CHARITY SHOP: We have a collection of unwanted items that need to go to a charity shop. If you could take them, contact the parish office to arrange a time to pick them up.

This week we remember:

Richard Powell RIP and Roy Sexton RIP, who both died recently;

Arthur Edmonds, Kevin Nix, Ellen Smith, Giancarlo Dall'Occo, Canon McCarron and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.



BE PART OF THE PARISH

Calling young people aged 7+ who would like to become an altar server. Uniform and training provided. If your child is interested, talk to Fr Jeremy after Mass. Those who have yet to make their First Holy Communion can still be an altar server. Young people who have just made their First Holy Communion or were confirmed last November would be very welcome.

*Altar serving is one of the volunteering activities recognised by the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

Mass stewards: If you would like to be a Mass steward talk to Fr Jeremy or email the parish office. The role is one of welcoming people to our parish at Sunday or weekday Masses, or at funerals during the week. This is an excellent way to get to know people, particularly if you are new to St Mary's or Bath.

CHILDREN LITURGY GROUP APPEAL:

Could you be a volunteer leader for our very popular & long-running Children's Liturgy Group? In recent times the number of volunteer leaders has dwindled. We are appealing to all in the congregation, parents of children who attend CLG or not, to consider volunteering to bolster the group's number of leaders & helpers. Please read the flyer at the back of the church or on the church website <https://www.stmarysbath.org.uk/news-events>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Please pray for Trinity, Annemaria, Devin, Anna, Abel, Rosette & Flavia who will make their First Holy Communion in India.

FINANCE

Collection 10th July

Church offertory £485.74

Contactless giving £25.00

Direct donations to bank £0

Envelopes £25.00

Standing orders £1220.12

Tax recovery (Gift Aid) £295.03

TOTAL £2050.89

Weekly cost of running the parish **£2425.00**

Live streaming: Our live streaming service is much appreciated by those unable to come to Mass. Could you help with the ongoing cost of nearly £2,500 each year for support from ChurchServices & other costs such as broadcasting licence fees? Contact Michael Gage to Gift Aid your donation GA.bath.stmary@cliftondiocese.com Please use the contactless giving terminal or send a cheque payable to **St Mary's Catholic Church Bath to 4 Harley Street, Bath BA1 2SF.**

Now Accepting Contactless Donations

You can find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal at the back of the church. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%. If you are a UK taxpayer, then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1.00 received. **Whilst the contactless terminal is wonderful and convenient, it does not tell us WHO has paid/donated. Therefore, please email the parish office if you have used it to pay for something.**

REGULAR EVENTS:

Sundays: Coffee after 10.30am Mass

Our volunteers are having a well-earned break over the summer, starting on 17th July. Coffee will resume on 4th Sept. If you would like to join the team, please talk to any of the helpers on Sunday morning. Alternatively, call or email the parish office and we can pass on your message.

Mondays: Lectio Divina Groups use Divine Reading to lead our reading & sharing of the Gospel for the next Sunday.

St Mary's: Meet fortnightly 7.30pm via Zoom to share a portion of scripture chosen by a group member. Info: Graham 07889 495419

Tuesdays: St Mary's Art Club All welcome to take part in the workshop format. £2.00 1.30-3.30pm St Mary's Parish Centre. Info: Joe Evans 07853 810041

Fridays: The Cedar Tree community café at Christ Church, Julian Road, Fridays 11am-1:30pm. All welcome to support this outreach to the local community. If you can help, contact janetmahto@gmail.com

Fridays: Youth Night at St Matt's Widcombe from 7pm - 9pm. Open to 11-18yr olds. Fill in the consent form [here](#).

Clifton Diocesan Trustees: The Diocese is currently looking for individuals to join the Board of the Trustees to enhance the skills of the Board in specific areas as a result of current vacancies. Suitable applicants should have in depth knowledge and experience of either corporate law, property law, or a HR environment. In order to support the full activities of the Board, experience in charity or corporate governance would also be beneficial. The commitment is to one 3 hour meeting per month on a Wednesday from 9.30 am in Bristol along with other on at least one sub-committee, and preparation for meetings. It is usual for a Trustee to give somewhere in the region of 6 hours per month plus travelling time.

If you would like to be considered for a position, please send your details to the Bishop's Private Secretary, St Ambrose, North Rd, Leigh Woods, Bristol BS8 3PW by 5th August.

Job: Church administrator for St Luke's Church All the details are available on our parish website under "News".

Talks: The Gospel of Matthew

All at 7.00pm St Alphege Parish Hall, Oldfield Lane, Bath BA2 3NR. Refreshments from 6.30pm

***"St Matthew's Infancy Narrative"

Fr Alex McAllister SDS Sat 16th Sept

***"Parables in St Matthew"

John Huntriss Sat 14th October

***"Miracles in St Matthew"

Fr Michael McAndrew Sat 25th November

***"St Matthew's Passion Narrative"

Fr Jeremy Rigden Friday 16th December

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sun 17th July LGBT+ Eucharist For the July Mass there will be a change of time and venue. Join the delegates of the Quest Annual Conference in the chapel at Wills Hall, Parrys Ln, Bristol BS9 1AE at 2.30pm. Bishop Declan will preside at this closing Mass of the conference.

Wed 20th July Missio Mass 7.00pm at St Patrick's Church, Park Lane, Corsham, SN13 9LG. Mass will be followed by refreshments and a Missio/Mill Hill presentation.

Sat 26th July Christian meditation, St Mary's Parish Centre 7.30-8.45pm

June - Aug EXHIBITION ON THE EUCHARIST St John's Church is hosting an exhibition curated by & flowing from the prayerful initiative of Blessed Carlos Acutis, a young Italian man with a love for the Blessed Sacrament. You don't have to complete the exhibition all at once. Use the trail so it ends in the Sacred Heart Chapel for a time of prayer.

Wed 7th Sept 10.00am Mass with the S.V.P. followed by refreshments in the Parish centre. All welcome!

Sat 10th/ Sun 11th Sept In September & October, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland & Wales for the very first time. The Relics will be at Clifton Cathedral from 2.00pm Sat 10th Sept to 11.00am Sunday 11th Sept <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relic-tour-2022> Read about the visit to Clifton Cathedral [here](https://cliftondiocese.com/bernadette/)

Coach: We are considering booking a coach to take parishioners to the cathedral on Sat 10th Sept. If you are interested in booking a seat, please email or call the Parish Office so that we can gauge the level of interest.

Tues 13th Sept Confirmation preparation begins, St Mary's Church, 7.00pm

7-9TH OCT 2022 YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS (YCA) WEEKEND AT DOUAI ABBEY

Theme: "The Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics". Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (Rachael Mackenzie and Fr. Glaysher) and socials. Prices start from £12pp (day) and £55 pppn (residential). Limited places - booking closes 16th Sept. Info: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> or <http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>

Booking: <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2022>