



# A WARM WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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## Thirty Third Week of Ordinary Time Sunday Cycle Year A, Weekday Cycle Year 1, Psalter Week 1

Date	Mass Times	Celebrations	Intentions
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	6:30pm ( <i>Saturday</i> ) 8:30am ( <i>Painswick</i> ) 10:00am	<b>Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Peggy, Paddy & Michael McNally R.I.P.  Peter Stephens R.I.P.
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	10:00am ( <i>Stonehouse</i> )	Weekday	Deceased members of the Vaghi Family
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November</b>	6:00pm	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Joan Ann Marza
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	10:00am	Saint Cecilia	Special Intention
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	1:00pm ( <i>Stonehouse</i> )	<b>Funeral Mass</b>	Bernard Gibbons
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	9:30am ( <i>Woodchester</i> )	Saints Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions	Special Intention
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November</b>		Weekday	
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>	6:30pm ( <i>Saturday</i> ) 8:30am ( <i>Painswick</i> ) 10:00am	<b>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b>	Brian & Helen Hursthouse People of the Parishes Bernard Gibbons R.I.P.

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** We pray for the parish of Thomas of Canterbury, Fairford,  
with Saint Mary, Cricklade.

We pray for all those within our parish and their intentions including: the communities at the Monastery of Our Lady and Saint Bernard, Brownhill and More Hall, Randwick; and all those connected with our schools.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November 2023** is for the Pope. We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

**We continue to pray for peace in the world**, including the situations in the Middle East and Ukraine. Donations for the Cafod Appeals can be made online: for the Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at <https://cafod.org.uk/?form=israelipalestiniancrisis>; and for the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal at <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>.

**YOUR PRAYERS** are asked for those who are housebound, in nursing homes, in hospital or sick including: Michael Lloyd, Caroline Sellick, Mikaela Hunter, Paddy Spruyt, Naomi King, Clare Barton, Ian Spencer, Maggie Ind, Stephen Hassall, Conrad Newman, Jo Curtan, Mary Paul, Virginia Couchman, Edward Johnson, Janet Strong, Maria Capicotto, Antonietta Lazdans, Sarah Williams, Gisele Smart, Helen Hursthouse, Gerardo Capaldo, Clare McDermott, Pat King, June & John Privett, Olivia Bouzyk, Raphael Moore, Ursula Kyne, Brian O'Donoghue, Lisa Knight, Francis Kerrigan, Monika Smit, Rebecca Frazier, Joan O'Donoghue, Peter Ollis, Peter McCombie, Anne Allen, Sister Catherine, Daryl Jackson, Grace Harper, Jamie Watt, Peter Tay, Ann Enright, Janie Wilmot, Kevin Sivell, Niall Walker, Murray Dolan, Cecilia Redgrave, Christopher & Clifford Browne, Victor Vincent, Stephen Carden, John Stephens, Phyllis Bruton, Marilyn Anderson, Chris Strong, Kate Thorley, Amanda Mullins, Paul O'Keith, Simon Terry, Anna Dowdeswell, Stephen & Paul Coupe, Anthea Van Venroy, Maisie McGinley and all their carers.

**To add a name to this list please contact the parish office – please ensure you have the agreement of the sick person.**

**World Day of the Poor:** This Sunday is the seventh World Day of the Poor, with the theme of 'Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor' (Tobit 4:7). To read the Pope's message for this day please visit <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/20230613-messaggio-vii-giornatamondiale-poveri-2023.html>.

**Canon Michael Fitzpatrick** will be celebrating our Masses this weekend, enabling Father Gary to celebrate Masses in the Forest of Dean and Newent as Dean while those parishes await the appointment of a new parish priest.

**Walk with Me** booklets for adults and calendars for children for Advent are available at the back of the church. These can help us to live the advent season more fruitfully. They are free of charge (although you may like to leave a donation in the repository box). There are also some copies of 'This is my Body' by Bishop Robert Barron which are free for anyone who would like one. Alternative Advent Children's calendars (digital and traditional) are also available from Mission Together. These, along with other resources to help children live out the season of Advent, can be downloaded from <https://missiontogether.org.uk/calendar/advent-resources/>. Some copies of the Diocesan Directory (£6.00) and Liturgical Diary (£6.50) are also available

**Decorating the Parish Hall for Christmas:** Families are invited to come and be a part of this this Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November from 3:00pm until 5:00pm.

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP):** There will be a second meeting this Thursday at 7:00pm in the upper room looking at the possibility of establishing a conference for our three parishes. All are welcome, including those who were not at the first meeting.

**Parish Christmas Fayre** next Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November (9:30am – 1:00pm). Raffle tickets are available.

**Patronal Feast:** Our parish patronal feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. There will be Mass at 10:00am (when our primary school children will be present) and 7:00pm. The evening Mass will be followed a **fish and chip supper** in the parish hall. The cost for the supper is £10.00 per person. Please book (and pay for) your meal after the weekend Masses, or call into the parish office. Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December is celebrated as the Solemnity of the Dedication of our parish church and there will be Mass for this at 10:00am on that day (the 6:30pm evening Mass will be of the Second Sunday of Advent).

**Cafod Soup Lunch** on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December from 12:00 noon until 1:00pm in our parish hall with proceeds towards the **Cafod Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal**. Sadly some staff and volunteers in Cafod's partner organisations have already lost their lives. We continue to offer support and prayers of solidarity for those putting their lives at risk, and for all those suffering because of the ongoing situation. There are details for making online donations to the appeal on the first page of this newsletter.

**Carols by Candlelight Concert** organised by Saint Peter's High School on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm in our parish church. This will be an uplifting yet reflective sequence of Christmas music and readings, suitable for all the family. Tickets (adults: £3; concessions: £1) will be available from 1<sup>st</sup> December from the school via 01452 520594 or [boxoffice@sphs.uk.com](mailto:boxoffice@sphs.uk.com).

**Rosary School Admissions:** If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2024 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of Gloucestershire County 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 and possibly their own admissions form. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. For more details about admissions to our Rosary Primary School please visit <https://www.rosaryschool.org.uk/reception-admissions-2024/>.

**Red Box Donations:** Throughout the year we support the missionary activity of the Church through the Missio/Mill Hill Red Box. Red Box holders are reminded that boxes should be returned for emptying by the weekend of **9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> December** for the annual count. Those who do not wish to use physical money can also donate in the following ways: send a cheque made payable to 'Missio – Mill Hill' either to the parish or to 'Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU'; by telephone on 020 7821 9755; or online at [www.missio.org.uk/redbox](http://www.missio.org.uk/redbox). When using any of these methods please ensure you state our parish name so that the contribution is correctly allocated.

**We remember in our prayers** Bernard Gibbons (Funeral Mass at Saint Joseph's, Stonehouse this Thursday at 1:00pm) who died recently. We also pray for his family and friends.