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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES - B SUNDAY - JANUARY 21, 2018

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat)
8.30am 10.30am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9.30am - 10.00am
& 5.00pm - 5.30pm

Entrance Antiphon:

*O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour,
strength and honour in his holy place.*

Response to the Psalm:

Lord, make me know your ways.

Gospel Acclamation:

*The kingdom of God is close at hand;
believe the Good News.*

Communion Antiphon:

*Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.*

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	06.00pm (Sat)	Mass - John Ryan (Anniversary)
Sunday	08.30pm 10.30am	Mass - Rosemary Gentilcore (Anniversary) Mass - Ronald Millard (RIP) + Sr Mary Stephen (RIP)
Monday	09.00am	NO MASS
Tuesday	09.00am	Mass - John De Souza & Rosy De Sa (Intentions) + Maria Silveira (Intentions)
Wednesday:	09.00am	Mass - Clarinda Perpetua D'Souza (Intentions) + Brazilia Fernandes (Intentions)
Thursday:	01.30pm	Mass - REQUIEM MASS - Jean Russell
Friday:	09.15am	Mass - Stephen Sloan (RIP)
Saturday:	09.00am	Mass - Paul Carter (Anniversary)

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (JANUARY 28, 2018)

Sunday	06.00pm 08.30am 10.30am	Mass - Eileen Smith (Anniversary) Mass - Paddy Reape (Anniversary) Mass - John O'Gorman (Anniversary)
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Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who are sick especially: Cathy Walker, Joshua Crabb, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Alfie and Harry Crabb, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, David Edwards, Irena Fliska, John Foley, Eileen Hughes, Benny Zammit, Terri Rhind, John Ruck, Joanne Connelly, Ken Rees, Bill Sheffield, Ruth Sellars, Lucy Murray, Eileen Foley, Mary Joyce, James Malcolm, Bill Cummins, Bernard Snell, Sophie Hembert, Bill McKay, Bill O'Donnell, Elizabeth McGill, Ernie Popkiss, James Armstrong, Francisco Fernandes, James Evans, Bernard McGuinness, Margaret Bates

RECENTLY DIED: Please pray for Jean Russell and Tracie McGrory who have died recently. Jean's Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 25th January at 1.30pm. Tracie's Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 6th February at 10am. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

FRIDAY MORNING MASS will be at 9.15am until Easter.

FIRST COMMUNION MEETING: There will be a meeting of all parents and children who will receive their First Holy Communion in 2018. It is at 10.30am on Saturday 27th January. It will be held in the Church. At this meeting you will be given all the information about enrolment preparation and dates of First Communion. You will need to collect and fill in an application before the meeting. If any children in year 3 or above would like to be prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion in 2018. Please speak to Fr Michael for an application form.

CONFIRMATION 2018: Bishop Declan will be coming to our Parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on 19th June 2018. Anyone, in Year 9 and above who would like to be confirmed, please speak to Fr Michael for an application form.

PREPARING FOR MISSION - Life in the Spirit Seminars Tuesday evenings Lent

Clifton Cathedral is hosting Life in the Spirit seminars for 5 Tuesday evenings in lent starting on Tuesday 20th February at 7.30pm. This is a great way to help us all prepare for mission. The speakers are Mgr David Oakley of Oscott Seminary, David Payne and Jenny Baker of Café, Fr Richard McKay from our diocese and Fr Chris Thomas from the Archdiocese of Liverpool. For more information, Email renewal@cliftondiocese.com or call 07815 751 556.

MARRIED COUPLES MASS: Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday, 3rd February (12 noon). Those who are celebrating significant wedding anniversary like 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th during 2018. The names of these couples – engaged / anniversaries – need to be emailed to adult.education@Cliftondiocese.com so that personal invitations can be sent to them. See Poster on the notice board for further details.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION: Do you support Catholic Schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? [Bishop Declan says you need to make your voice heard](#). The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic Schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it. Ask them not to U-turn on their promise to Catholics. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

MARRIAGE COURSE: Marriage Care is offering one-day group courses where you will learn how your relationship grows when you deal with important issues in a constructive and loving way. Course dates in 2018 are: 24 March, 19 May, 29 September and 13 October in Swindon. We also offer FOCCUS for individual couples. For booking and further information, please contact: appointments@marriage.org.uk or call 0800 389 3801 or 01159 934 255.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: last weekend came to £840 and £510 by standing order. Many thanks for your generosity.

YEAR OF MISSION

Now we start to listen to St Mark's account of Jesus. This is Good News! We hear the first words of Jesus that Mark records: Repent, and believe the good news. That simple call is one to reorientation, to a turning back towards God, to seeking him and to finding him. We find that Jesus' mission is to gather disciples who share in the mission of drawing God's people back to him. Their skills are used and transformed. Jesus calls us in the hope that we might respond with that same energy and enthusiasm. Let's use this week to reread Mark's Gospel and encounter once again the Jesus who calls us to share in his mission, too. Let's allow the good news he proclaims to touch us, to call us, to transform and renew us first before we set out in proclaiming good news to others.