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TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(OCTOBER 5, 2025)

Entrance Antiphon: **Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.**

Response to the Psalm: **O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts.'**

Gospel Acclamation: **The word of the Lord remains for ever
and this word is the good news that was preached to you.**

Communion Antiphon: **The Lord is good to all those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES
6.00pm (Sat) 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am

CONFESSIONS
After 9am Mass on Weekdays

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

4th **SATURDAY** 09.00am Mass – Mercy Fernandes (Intention)
06.00pm Mass – Dixon Vas & Malucha Rosario (Thanksgiving)

5th **SUNDAY** 08.00am Mass – Zion Vas (Intention)
09.30am Mass – William Edward Coker
11.00am Mass - Baby Raphael (RIP)

6th **MONDAY** **NO MASS**

7th **TUESDAY** 09.00am Mass – Alexandre Gonsalves & Conceicao Fernandes (Wedding Anniversary)

8th **WEDNESDAY** 09.00am Mass - Ashbell Pereira (Intention)

9th **THURSDAY** 09.00am Mass - Maria Woolcott (RIP)

10th **FRIDAY** 09.00am Mass - Jamie Donnelly (RIP)

NEXT SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (OCTOBER 12, 2025)

11th **SATURDAY** 09.00am Mass – Wilma Coelho (Thanksgiving)
06.00pm Mass – Joao Gonsalves (Anniversary)

12th **SUNDAY** 08.00am Mass – Rhys Da Cunha (Intention)
09.30am Mass – Sr Liberata Fernandes (Intention)
11.00am Mass - Frank Buchanan (Anniversary)

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: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Emmanuella Ruck, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Nellie Blake, Tommy Fox

MASS: The weekday Mass will be 9am Mass from Tuesday to Saturday. Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed after Weekday Mass, except on Friday.

CONFESSIONS: There will be confessions after every Mass from Tuesday – Saturday. No confession on Friday.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Church Freeanna Braganca who is being baptised here in St Marys this weekend.

RECENTLY DIED: Please remember to pray for the repose of the soul of Liam (William) O'Shaughnessy who died recently. The family invites all friends and relatives to join them in celebrating his life on Friday 24th October: Mass: 12.30pm – St Anthony of Padua, Melksham SN12 6HJ • Crematorium Service: 2.00pm – Semington BA14 6HL

No flowers but donations to <https://secure.dorothyhouse.org.uk/public/index.aspx> who cares so excellently for Liam - a donation box will also be at the church!

READERS ROTA for the month of October and November is now at the back of the Church.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: We are in need of Ministers of the Eucharist due to the growing number of people at every Mass. If you are a Minister of the Eucharist and would like to help, please give your name and Phone number to Fr Dominic/ Deacon Elias.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Those who used to Minister to the sick and would like to continue taking Holy Communion to the sick, please give your names to Fr Dominic/ Deacon Elias.

CAFOD: this Sunday will be for CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day Collection. Your Fast Day envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please give as much as you can so that hunger isn't a fact of life for the world's poorest people.

The second collection this Sunday will be towards CAFOD (the Catholic Agency for overseas development). For more information, see the poster and envelopes at the back of the Church.

OPEN DAY: 'St Mary's Catholic Primary School' have an open morning/afternoon on Thursday 9th October 2025 promptly at 10am or 2pm for any parents wishing to view the school in preparation for Primary School applications. Please come along no need to book'

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: If you have changed your address, email address or telephone number since registering as a parishioner you are now able to amend your entry yourself through the Parish website. Press Register on the website and there is a section marked 'Register' which allows new parishioners to enter their details and to submit the details of any changes since your first registration.

GIFT AID: Those Parishioners who gift aid their offering to the parish and do so through a standing order will soon receive a letter asking them of Clifton parishioners are asked to change their mandate to pay St Mary's Parish. You will soon receive a letter telling you what you need to do.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT - Does your relationship need some TLC? Need help - deeper issues? Next programme starts 17th October www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: +44 7887 296 983

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR: If you care about children, believe in Catholic education, want to transform lives, then our Catholic schools need you! You could serve as a Foundation Governor or Director? Please take a letter from the Bishop from the back of the Church.

GIFT AID DONATIONS: Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Dominic or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFERTORY: The offertory collection last Sunday came to £1743.93 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

‘The righteous shall live by his faith.’

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you ‘Violence!’ and you will not save? Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

And the LORD answered me: ‘Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end — it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

‘Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95(94):1-2. 6-7b. 7c-9. R7c, 8a

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts.’*

Come, let us ring out our joy to the LORD;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come into his presence, giving thanks;
let us hail him with a song of praise.

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts.’*

O come; let us bow and bend low.
Let us kneel before the LORD who made us,
for he is our God, and we the people,
the people of his pasture, the flock of his hand.

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts.’*

O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your forebears put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.’

*O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts.’*

Second reading

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

‘Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord.’

Beloved: I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear, but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God,

Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord remains for ever

and this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

‘If you had faith.’

At that time: The Apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith!’ And the Lord said, ‘If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, “Be uprooted and planted in the sea”, and it would obey you.

‘Will any one of you who has a servant ploughing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, “Come at once and recline at table”? Will he not rather say to him, “Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterwards you will eat and drink”? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, “We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.” ’