



# St Mary's Catholic Church

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(May 14, 2023)

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Entrance Antiphon: **Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
Proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, Alleluia.**

Response to the Psalm: **Cry out with joy to God all the earth.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him."**

Communion Antiphon: **If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,  
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.**

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### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat) 9.00am, 10.30am

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

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### THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (Sat)** 06.00pm Mass – Dixon & Malucha Vas (Intentions)  
09.00am Mass – Minguel & Inaciana De Souza (Intentions)  
10.30am Mass – Ronnie Hilary Fernandes(RIP)

**Monday** NO MASS

**Tuesday** 09.00am Mass - Rayden Rodrigues (Intentions)

**Wednesday** 09.00am Mass – Thanksgiving for all who attended Ita Messenger's funeral

**Thursday** **(FEAST OF THE ASCENSION)**  
09.00am Mass - Jose Antonio Crasto (Anniversary)  
07.00pm Mass - Mackenzie Fernandes (Intentions)

**Friday** 09.00am Mass - Mary Nice (RIP)

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### SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (May 21, 2023)

**SUNDAY (Sat)** 06.00pm Mass – Gustau & Helena Bogdaniec (RIP)  
09.00am Mass – John De Sousa (Intentions)  
10.30am Mass – Revlon Fernandes (Intentions)

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**Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated**

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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOU PRAYERS** all those who are sick especially: Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Ruth Sellars, Lucy Murray, Bill O'Donnell, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Connor McLaughlin, Peggy Notley, Peter Hazel, Mick Noble, Josie Dyson, Barbara Fawcett, Jerome Gonsalves, Dawn Connolly-Williams, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Breda Brown

## **ASCENSION DAY**

Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord and is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated here at St Marys at 9am and 7pm.

## **KNOCK PILGRIMAGE**

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

## **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES IN SWINDON**

Are you thinking of getting married in the Catholic Church? There's quite a bit to arrange. Marriage Care are offering two Face-to-Face daytime courses this year at St Peter's, Carronbridge Rd., Swindon SN5 7ES on 10<sup>th</sup> of June or 30<sup>th</sup> September. You can find more information and book here: [Getting married | Marriage preparation | Marriage Care](#) If you haven't already discussed your plans with a priest that's a good idea too!

## **BAPTISM**

We welcome into the Church Willow Clapham and Leander Cardoso who are being baptised here this weekend.

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

This year more than a hundred of our children will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time and this weekend 50 of them will do so.

## **CONFIRMATION**

Preparation for Confirmation will begin this weekend with an information meeting for candidates and their parents on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the Church.

## **VOCATIONS "Come, follow me"**

This Eastertide we continue in Clifton Diocese to pray for vocations to the priesthood for our own diocese. Please watch Fr Stephen Corrigan of St Peter's, Gloucester talk about vocation and his own call to priesthood, about being a seminarian and now being a priest in a parish, as well as the joy and fulfilment in his life and ministry as one of our newer priests: go to [www.cliftondiocese.com/vocations](http://www.cliftondiocese.com/vocations).

## **SWINDON FOOD BANK**

We have received a note of thanks from the Swindon Food bank for our donations in 2022. Last year St Mary's gave 639.9Kgs of Food. With many thanks to all involved. A thank you note is put up on the notice board.

## **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, may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

## **SWINDON FOOD COLLECTIVE**

Many thanks to all those who contribute to Swindon food bank. Any donations can be left in the basket at the back of the Church.

## **PARISH OFFERTORY**

Last week the offertory collection came to £ 1207.70 and £500 in standing orders. The second collection which is towards Clergy Training Fund came to £1108.15. 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.*