



# St Mary's Catholic Church

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## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B

(JULY 14, 2024)

Entrance Antiphon: **As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.**

Response to the Psalm: **Let us see, O Lord, your mercy  
and give us your saving help.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:  
you have the message of eternal life.**

Communion Antiphon: **Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.**

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat) 9.00am, 10.30am

### CONFESSIONS

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

### THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>SUNDAY (Sat)</b>	06.00pm	Mass – Josefina Costa (Anniversary) Kevin Fernandes (Anniversary)
	09.00am	Mass – Victor & Antonina Melynychuk (RIP)
	10.30am	Mass – Princia Fernandes Ana Fernandes Domingos Dias
<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	09.00am	Mass – Francisco Souza (RIP)
	<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS – SAMUEL WALTON</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	09.00am	Mass – John Lincoln (RIP)
<b>Thursday</b>	09.00am	Mass – Peter Vas (RIP) Ubaldinha Dias (Intentions)
<b>Friday</b>	09.00am	Mass – Vijay family, Paruvamma Sbyamala, Muthayya Pillai, George Family, Liya Family, Sunog, Archana

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (JULY 21, 2024)

<b>SUNDAY (Sat)</b>	06.00pm	Mass – Santana Dias (RIP) Eusy Cardozo (Anniversary) Delilah Fernandes (Intentions) Anysia Barreto (Intentions)
	09.00am	Mass – Ferdinand & Gertrude Iwuoha & family (Thanksgiving)
	10.30am	Mass – Marcelino Rodrigues (RIP)

**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, Bill O'Donnell, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Dawn Connolly-Williams, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Breda Brown, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake

**BISHOP BOSCO** was delighted to be here at St Marys last Sunday and thanks all parishioners for their welcome and good wishes.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Fr Michael thanks all those who worked to make his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations go so well. Thanks for all the gifts and good wishes and for all those who supplied refreshments, snacks and cake after the Mass.

**BAPTISM:** We welcome into the Church Villier Fernandes who is been baptised here in St Marys this Sunday.

**RECENTLY DIED** Please remember to pray for the repose of the soul of Samuel Vincent Edward Walton who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place here at St Mary's Catholic Church on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 at 12 Noon. Please also remember to pray for his family.

**ST ANNE'S FEAST:** Mass will be celebrated for the feast of St Anne here in St Mary's Church on Saturday 27 July, at 2pm.

**FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2025:** Many parishioners are asking about First Communion and Confirmation in 2025. Enrolment for the sacraments will be in November and December 2024 and the Catechesis will begin in January.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2024 - 23rd August to 30th August:** The Clifton Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes is taking place this year in late August with pilgrims coming from all over the Diocese to embark on this journey. Details can be found on the Diocese website Lourdes | Clifton Diocese or by contacting [lourdes@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:lourdes@cliftondiocese.com) /0117 902 5590 for an information pack. Please be aware the deadline for deposits is 31st March 2024, with payment in full by 31st May 2024. See Poster at the back of the Church.

**RED BOX 2023:** In 2023 Parish raised £1210.73 through our Red Boxes and donations to mission and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! The missionary community here at our parish is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests, like Fr Ignatius MHM working with a rural community in Uganda, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. Visit [mission.org.uk](http://mission.org.uk) to find out more.

**PARISH DANCE:** We are having a parish dance on Saturday 31 August 2024. If you would like to supply or sponsor some of the items mentioned on the list; which is put up on the notice board at the back of the Church, please call Natasha on 07720982226 between 4.30 and 8pm. Any help you can give will be much appreciated.

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** At the parish dance we will have a raffle. Raffle tickets will be available after all Masses on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of July. Tickets cost £1 each or £5 a book. (Tickets are also available from the parish office.

**7th ANNUAL YOUTH CONVENTION** held at St Peters Catholic Church, West Swindon - on 20th July from 10am – 4pm. The event is for all 13yrs + Tickets available from the Sacristy.

**GOAN SWINDON ASSOCIATION:** is organising it's Annual Goan Summer Festival on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July 2024 at Stratton Jr Football Club Ground (located in St Luke's Academy), Cricklade Road, Swindon SN2 5BA. The day begins with Mass at 12noon and ends at 9pm.

**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.

**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. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

**CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER:** If you want to subscribe to 'The Universe Catholic Weekly Newspaper. Contact Michelle on mobile 0743 661 7650 or email: [michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk](mailto:michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk)

**PARISH OFFERTORY:** Last week the offertory collection came to £ 1791.60 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

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***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.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First reading** Amos 7:12-15

*A reading from the prophet Amos*

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer;' get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 84(85):9-14

*Let us see, O Lord, your mercy,  
and give us your saving help.*

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land.

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven.

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps.

**Second reading** Ephesians 1:3-14

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians*

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.  
Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ,  
to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence,  
determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ  
for his own kind purposes,  
to make us praise the glory of his grace,  
his free gift to us in the Beloved,  
in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.  
Such is the richness of the grace  
which he has showered on us  
in all wisdom and insight.  
He has let us know the mystery of his purpose,  
the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning  
to act upon when the times had run their course to the end:  
that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head,  
everything in the heavens and everything on earth.  
And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own,  
chosen from the beginning,  
under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things  
as he decides by his own will;  
chosen to be,  
for his greater glory,  
the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.  
Now you too, in him,  
have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation,  
and have believed it;  
and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise,  
the pledge of our inheritance  
which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his  
glory praised.  
The word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation**

cf.Jn6:63,68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;  
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

**Or**

cf.Ep1:17,18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

**Gospel Mark 6:7-13**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark*

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, ‘Do not take a spare tunic.’ And he said to them, ‘If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.’ So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord.