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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year A

### Good Shepherd Sunday

(April 26, 2026)

Entrance Antiphon: **The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.**

Response to the Psalm: **The Lord is my Shepherd there is nothing I shall want.**

Gospel Acclamation: **I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord.  
I know my sheep and my own know me.**

Communion Antiphon: **The Good Shepherd has risen,  
who laid down his life for his sheep  
and willing died for his flock, alleluia.**

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

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

### THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**(26<sup>th</sup> April SUNDAY) (Sat)** 06.00 pm Mass - Natasha Vas (Birthday - Intention)  
08.00 am Mass - Verance Oliveira (Thanksgiving)  
09.30 am Mass - William Coker (RIP)  
11.00 am Mass - Gerard Cooke (RIP)

**27<sup>th</sup> MONDAY** **NO Mass – Adoration until 11am**

**28<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY** 09.00am Mass – Jose De Sa (RIP)

**29<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY** 09.00am Mass – Roshelle Faleiro (Birthday - Intention-)

**30<sup>th</sup> THURSDAY** 09.00am Mass - Samantha Vandal (Thanksgiving)

**01<sup>st</sup> FRIDAY** 09.00am Mass – Lidia Fernandes (Intention)

**02<sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY** 09.00am Mass – Matheo Fernandes (Birthday - Intention)

### NEXT SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (MAY 3, 2026)

**03<sup>rd</sup> SATURDAY(SUN)** 06.00pm Mass – Maureen Hanbury (RIP)  
08.00am Mass - Venancio Edwin Fernandes (Birthday intention)  
09.30am Mass – Carmelina Fernandes (Anniversary)  
11.00am Mass – Anne Rudick (Anniversary)  
05.00pm Mass – Feast of the Holy Cross (Mass will be in Konkani (Goan language))

**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, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Nellie Blake, Tommy Fox

**RECENTLY DIED - DEACON JOSE ESTROCIO:** All are welcome to attend the Requiem Mass for the soul of late Deacon Jose Estrocio, on Thursday 30th April at 11.00am at Holyrood Church. We continue to keep his family in our prayers.

**BAPTISM:** We welcome into the Catholic Church, Denver Sanches, Siani Dias Do Rosario who are being baptised here in St Marys this weekend.

**HIRING OF CHAIRS:** Chairs on hire contact Deacon Elias on 07833 746001. All Proceeds to Church Extension.

**AWAKENING** led by AFCM (Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry Birmingham, UK) will be coming to St Marys on 10<sup>th</sup> May starting with rosary from 2.30 - 6pm, followed by praise and worship, preaching of Word of God, adoration, healing service and counselling and confessions.

**ROSARY FOR PEACE** is a prayer event at Holy Rood Church on 5<sup>th</sup> May organised by Aid to Church in in partnership with teachers from local Schools/ Colleges. Parishioners are also invited.

#### **CANON DAVID RYAN'S Golden Jubilee of Ordination**

Canon David Ryan is inviting any former parishioners to join him in celebration of his Golden Jubilee of Ordination on Saturday 18th July for Mass at 11am with Bishop Bosco at St Gregory the Great Church, Cheltenham - followed by refreshments in the parish hall.

*He writes 'Throughout my 50 years of service in the Diocese of Clifton I have been blessed with loving support from the parishes to whom I have been appointed. I look forward, in joy, to join with all who are able to come and celebrate with me on my Golden Jubilee, and will remember in prayer those who are unable to attend on the day. With my blessing, Canon David Ryan.'*

If you are able to attend please reply to Mandy Baker by 18th May at [mandybaker@live.co.uk](mailto:mandybaker@live.co.uk)

**Encounter 2026** – From Eastertide to Pentecost. “Mission – How the Holy Spirit Guides Me in My Vocation” Join us for a series of inspiring evenings exploring how the Holy Spirit calls, guides and sends each of us on mission. Our first speaker is Harry Sadd, aged 16. Clifton Cathedral (or livestream or YouTube after the event) Tuesdays, 21 April – 19 May | 7:00–9:00pm. For more information, contact [Encounter@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Encounter@cliftondiocese.com) or ring Ann on 07815 751 556.

**OFFERTORY GIFT AID:** The very best way for parishioners to help us is to set up a standing order, as it provides a regular and largely predictable income, with minimal processing costs. St Mary's have two Offertory accounts; one for your regular offertory giving and one for the Church Development Fund. If you are a UK taxpayer your offertory contribution can be Gift Aided, whereby the parish can claim, from the UK Government, an extra 25% on every donation you make at no cost to you. This is an extremely important part of the church's finances and to achieve this all that is required is for a Gift Aid declaration form to be completed and signed alongside the standing order instructions. For all Non-UK taxpayers, all that would need to be completed is the standing order instructions. Forms can be collected from the Parish office.

**GIFT AID ON CANDLES:** We can now claim Gift Aid on candles lit on the stand in front of the Church. In order to claim this you will need to put your details on the card reader and tick the Gift Aid box.

**CHURCH EXTENSION:** The last week Collection from sale of food after Sunday Masses + Collection in basket came to £340. Some volunteers have prepared delicious food or snacks and sell them after Sunday Mass. If you are interested in contributing, please contact Natasha Vas on 07720 982226.

**11am MASS CHOIR PRACTICE** on 30<sup>th</sup> April, at 6pm.

**MARRIAGE SUPPORT:** From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. Contact To find out more: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) +44 797 338 0443.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** If you have changed your address since registering as a parishioner, you are now able to amend your entry yourself through the Parish website. On the home page, scroll down to 'Parishioner Registration' and follow the link. Please select 'Change of Address' (there is no need to re-register).

**MISSIO:** The **MISSIO Red Boxes** are emptied and are ready to collect from the Sacristy. New donors are welcomed.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The first Mass intention will be printed in the Newsletter. The other Mass Intentions shall be prayed for and the names will be read on the requested day but will be offered somewhere else. Please put your Mass intention in the envelope and add your phone number and drop in the box provided at the back of the Church two weeks in advance.

**Please do not use the card machine for Mass intentions.**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last Sunday came to £ 1825.50. Many thanks for your generosity.

**RETIRING COLLECTION** is towards Clergy Training Fund. This Fund enables the Bishop to support those who offer themselves for training for the Diocese Priesthood and is also used to support the on-going formation opportunities for clergy in our Diocese and formation of permanent Deacons.

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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.