



**CONTACT US Parish Priest – Fr Philip Thomas**

**Parish Administrator–Elaine Wright**  
**ST PETER’S RC CHURCH,**  
Telephone 01285 652087

Website: [www.stpeterscirencester.org](http://www.stpeterscirencester.org)  
Office Email: [cirencester.stpeter@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:cirencester.stpeter@cliftondiocese.com)

**ST MICHAEL’S RC CHURCH**  
Telephone: 01666 502367

Website: [www.stmichaelstetbury.org.uk](http://www.stmichaelstetbury.org.uk)  
Office Email: [tetbury.stmichael@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:tetbury.stmichael@cliftondiocese.com)  
Contact Fr. Philip via the relevant Parish Office

**DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING** The Safeguarding Team will be delivering safeguarding awareness sessions to volunteers on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am to 11.00am. The training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams.** If you would like to attend, please contact Beci Monks on [rebecca.monks@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:rebecca.monks@cliftondiocese.com)

**DAY FOR CATCHISTS 25<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER @ ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, TROWBRIDGE** This will offer an opportunity for conversation and formation, focused on family catechesis. David Wells and Ingrid La Trobe will lead the day to give catechists the confidence to enable parents to be the first teachers of their children’s faith. **11.00am till 4.00pm.** Refreshments will be provided from 10.30am, we ask for catechists to bring a packed lunch. To register, contact. email: [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com) Please see noticeboard for further information.

**REQUEST FROM FREYA MCGUINNESS** Freya is studying Social Anthropology at the University of Edinburgh and researching for her dissertation. It is looking at how our beliefs in immortality/ mortality affect the way we behave towards the environment, in the face of the climate crisis. The groups she is looking at are Roman Catholics living in Britain and Buddhists living in Vietnam. She has previously conducted interviews with a priest from the Holy Ghost in Balham, but is interested in exploring different parishes to get a potentially wider array of perspectives and opinions. If you are interested in helping Freya, please contact the parish Office, and we will forward her email with more information to you.



**PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL** Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



St Peter’s RC Church  
7 St Peter’s Road  
Cirencester  
Gloucestershire  
GL7 1RE

St Michael’s RC Church,  
Silver Street  
Tetbury  
Gloucestershire  
GL8 8DH



**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE B. V. MARY**

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Aug **6.00pm The Proper Vigil Mass [different readings etc from the morning] – Socially Distanced and No Music**

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s (Pro Populis)  
11.00am Mass in St Peter’s (Jona Jinton’s Ints)



**WORSHIP THIS WEEK - WEEK XX Year 1)**

- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Aug St Stephen of Hungry  
**No Mass in St Peter’s**
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Aug Feria of Week 20  
9.30am Mass in St Peter’s (In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received)
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Aug Feria  
10.00am Mass in St Michael’s
- Thu 19<sup>th</sup> Aug St John Eudes, Priest  
9.30am Mass in St Peter’s
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Aug St Bernard of Clairvaux  
9.30am Mass in St Peter’s  
**11.00am Funeral Requiem for Seamus Darragh in St Peter’s**  
**12.30pm Mass in St Peter’s**
- Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Aug St Pius X, Pope, Memorial  
10.00am Mass in St Michael’s  
**11.00am Holy Baptism**  
**12.00 Noon Mass with the Catenians in RAO**

**NEXT WEEK – ORDINARY SUNDAY XX1 (Year B)**

- Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Aug. 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter’s **Socially Distanced and No Music**
- Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 9.00am Mass in St Michael’s  
11.00am Mass in St Peter’s (Pro Populis)

**CONFESSIONS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, AT THE MOMENT  
PLEASE TELEPHONE TO ARRANGE**

## THE PROPER VIGIL MASS TEXTS

### Entrance Antiphon

Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary, who today were exalted above the choirs of Angels into eternal triumph with Christ.

### First Reading

1 Chron.15: 3-4, 15-16 &16:1-2 *The Ark of God is brought into the Tent of Meeting*

### Responsorial Psalm

Go up, Lord, to the place of your rest, you and the ark of your strength.

### Second Reading

1 Cor. 15: 54-57 *He gave us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it. Alleluia!

**Gospel** Luke 11: 27-28 *Blessed is the womb that bore Christ*

### Communion Antiphon

Blessed is the womb of the virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the eternal Father



## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- For the needy of body, mind or soul, wherever they may be. .
- All who have asked for our prayers.
- The dead in Christ -Seamus Darragh, Rita Clayden.
- Our Diocesan Prayer Link this weekend is **St Peter Glouester.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

**Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.** Noon, feast of the Guardian Angels. This will be First Holy Communion Day for our candidates in Cirencester

**JOINT PARISH BBQ** It is with regret that it has been decided to postpone the BBQ for both parishes planned for next Sunday. This was meant to be a much needed opportunity for both parishes to get together socially after a turbulent eighteen months, a chance to grow and to live the joy of the Gospel together, as Pope Francis asks.

**A WARM WELCOME** As always, we welcome visitors and newcomers to join our "regulars", asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces on us all. You are welcome to join us for coffee and refreshments after 11.00am Mass in St Peter's. It has been decided to suspend coffee in St Michael's until at least September.

## MASS OF THE DAY PROPER

### Entrance Antiphon

A great sign appeared in heaven:a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet,and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

### First Reading

Rev. 11:19,12:1-6,10 *The woman adorned with the sun and crowned with stars*

### Responsorial Psalm

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

### Second Reading

1 Cor. 15:20-26 *Christ as the first-fruits and then, those who belong to him*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia Mary has been taken up into heaven, all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia.

### Gospel

Luke 1:39-56 *The Almighty has exalted up the lowly*

### Communion Antiphon

All generations will call me blessed, for He who is mighty has done great things for me.



**CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE:** Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October @ 12Noon and is inviting all married couples to join him. However, if you are celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 65<sup>th</sup> or 70<sup>th</sup>; please let the parish office know, you will receive a personal invite.

**READERS IN ST MICHAEL'S AND ST PETER'S:** In view of the relaxation of the rules, we will be returning to our normal practice of having two readers, before the Gospel, one for each lesson, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> August. We must record our thanks who have helped us in both churches, whilst we have not had rotas and faced restrictions. Their willingness is much appreciated. IT IS NOW OUR HOPE THAT THOSE WHO READ BEFORE LOCKDOWN WILL BE WILLING AND ABLE TO BE ON A ROTA ONCE AGAIN. EVERY PARISH RELIES ON VOLUNTEERS. WE ARE ALSO SEEKING FLOWER ARRANGERS AND A ROTA FOR COFFEE. WELCOMERS AT THE DOOR ARE ALSO NEEDED. PLEASE CONTACT THE RELEVANT PARISH OFFICE. PARISH LIFE IS NOT DONE TO US OR FOR US BUT BY US!!

**NEW TO THE PARISH?** Please fill in a registration form and take an active part in our two welcoming Parishes.