

St. Peter's Cirencester & St. Michael's Tetbury

7, St. Peter's Road, Cirencester, Glos. GL7 1RE

Telephone: 01285652087

cirencester.stpeter@cliftondiocese.com

www.stpeterscirencester.org

Silver Street, Tetbury, Glos. GL8 8DH

Telephone: 01666502367

tetbury.stmichael@cliftondiocese.com

www.stmichaelstetbury.org.uk

Parish Priest: Fr. Maria Selvan MSFS

maria.alexander@cliftondiocese.com

Parish Administrator: Elaine Wright

Parish Finance Administrator: Michael Burnell

michael.burnell@cliftondiocese.com

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Dear Friends,

In John 21:1-19 Peter and his friends fished all night without success. At daybreak, they found Jesus on the shore. At the word of Jesus, they cast their nets again and had a great catch.

The unsuccessful and disappointing night is turned into joy because they listened to the word of Jesus. Trust in the word of Jesus helps us rise above failures, disappointments, etc.

The disciples, who worked hard all night without success, were asked to try again and take a different approach, "cast your net off to the starboard side".

They tried again without complaint, they were open to try something different and they had a great catch.

Try again... and again! Take a different approach... a new approach... try something that has not been tried before... Never give up!

They came ashore and found that Jesus had prepared breakfast for them, fish and bread. They broke bread again and recognized Jesus for the third time after the resurrection.

He met them again and again bringing them comfort and deepening their faith in the resurrection. Jesus did not give up on the disciples who had difficulty understanding the Scriptures and understanding all that he had told them while he was alive.

Reflect on the compassion and patience of Jesus. Be compassionate! Be patient!

“Do you love me more than these?” Jesus asked Peter... more than the fish, the net, the sea, the career, all knew and all he had! Peter simply said, “You know that I love you” and made no comparisons. The Lord knew him and trusted him with his mission.

Do you love me more than all you know, all you have?... this is a good question for our reflection today... take time to prayerfully reflect and respond to the Lord’s question.

Third Sunday of Easter – Year C

When	Where	Masses Requested	Saints & Feasts
Sat 3 rd May 5.30pm	St. Peter’s		Adoration followed by Mass
Sun 4 th May 9.00am 11.00am	St. Michael’s St. Peter’s		Third Sunday of Easter Rosary at 10.40am followed by Mass
Mon 5 th May	No Mass	Fr. Maria’s Day off	
Tue 6 th May 9.30am	St. Peter’s		
Wed 7 th May 10.00am	St. Michael’s		
Thu 8 th May 9.30am	St. Peter’s		Mass followed by Legion of Mary in the Meeting room
Fri 9 th May 9.30am	St. Peter’s		

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

In St. Peter’s Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

In St. Michael’s Wednesday 10.30am to 11.00am

A Warm Welcome: today is Sunday 4th May. 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 most welcome to join us for coffee and tea in the Parish Hall.

CHILDREN TO LEAD THE LITURGY – SUNDAY, 11TH MAY

We're excited to announce that the **liturgy on Sunday, 11th May**, the **Second Sunday of the month**, will be **joyfully animated by the children of our parish** at St. Peter's!

This is a wonderful opportunity for our young ones to actively participate in the Mass, express their faith, and bring their unique energy and joy to our celebration. We kindly ask **parents to encourage and support their children** as they prepare for this special liturgy—whether through reading, singing, bringing up the gifts, or simply being present with open hearts.

JOIN US FOR THE EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION AT RAU

We warmly invite you to the Eucharistic Celebration at the **RAU** on **Tuesday, 13th May, at 7:00 PM**. It is a wonderful opportunity for us to come together in prayer and community.

After the Mass, kindly stay for **refreshments, including coffee, tea, and delicious cake** - because every good gathering deserves a sweet treat! Bring a friend, share in the joy, and make it an evening to remember.

All are most welcome!

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We are delighted to share that the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place at **St. Peter's Church on Tuesday, 11th June**. This is a joyful and significant milestone in the faith journey of our candidates, and we invite everyone in our parish community to keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this special day.

In preparation for Confirmation, there will be an opportunity for **confession** on **Monday, 19th May**. This is open not only to the candidates, but also to their parents and to anyone in the parish who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Come and take part in this beautiful step towards renewal and grace—we look forward to seeing you there!

LEGION OF MARY

Members of the Legion are available to visit anyone who needs a listening ear, sick, elderly or just lonely. If anyone needs, kindly contact the parish office or Cathy Nelson.

WOOLSACK DAY IN TETBURY

St. Michael's will have a stall at the Woolsack Day in Tetbury towards the end of May. We will have a Tombola. We would be grateful for any donations towards the Tombola, e.g., bottles with drinks of all varieties, tins, and jars of home produce etc. Many thanks in advance

THE GREAT BIG LENT WALK APPEAL

Mary, our CAFOD rep. for St. Michael's, managed to walk 80 miles during Lent and Sue Ingall and Jane Archer made up the rest to 100 miles. The money raised is to go towards relief at the Myanmar earthquake site through CAFOD. For those who have generously offered to sponsor please could you give Mary the money so that she can forward it to the DEC through CAFOD. Many thanks.

THE JUBILEE ICON IN CLIFTON DIOCESE

To celebrate and commemorate the Jubilee Year 2025, Pilgrims of Hope, an icon was commissioned from iconographer Mulugeta Araya in Ethiopia, for the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

The icon interprets Jesus' teaching of healing and liberation in the Synagogue in Luke 4:16-21, which refers to Isaiah 61:1-2: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me..."

You are warmly invited to visit, meditate on and pray at the following Churches:

28th-30th April: St. John the Evangelist, Bath

1st-2nd May: St. Nicholas of Tolentino, Bristol

3rd May: Encounter 2025 event

4th-6th May: Holy Rood, Swindon

7th-9th May: The Shrine of Our Lady of Glastonbury

The Jubilee Icon webinar: to explore the meaning and symbolism of the Icon, you are warmly invited to the webinar. Please register here: [The Jubilee Icon in Clifton Diocese Tickets, Wed 23 Apr 2025 at 19:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Celebration of Marriage and Family Life Mass

Bishop Bosco is looking forward to celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 17th May (12 noon) and is inviting all families to join him to acknowledge the joys and challenges of family life. In addition, we will celebrate those couples with significant anniversaries this year. If you are, or know of a couple, celebrating a special anniversary during 2025 please do let us know. You just need to send the names to our email address:

adult.education@cliftondiocese.com

together with an address so that a personal invitation can be sent out from the Bishop, including the number of years celebrating.

It is always a wonderful Mass at the Cathedral, and it is always good to see so many of you there.

ADULT EDUCATION AND EVANGELISATION



"God has poured out his love into our hearts"

Romans 5:5



CELEBRATING marriage & family life



"Every encounter with Christ, who in sacraments gives us salvation, invites us to 'go' and communicate to others the salvation that we have been able to see, to touch, to encounter and to receive and which is truly credible because it is love."
Pope Francis, General Audience, 6 November 2013

Join the Bishop for Mass in the Cathedral as we celebrate the gift that is Marriage & Family Life on Saturday 17 May at 12noon.

All are welcome.

If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, newly married, or looking forward to marriage in 2025, then please contact us: adult.education@cliftondiocese.com or 0117 902 5595.





Offertory Collection

Last Week:

St. Peter's: £310.77 (incl. via the Dona Machine)
Good Friday Collection: £374.46
Standing Order for April: £1973.00

St. Michael: £110.00
Good Friday Collection: £10.00
Standing Order for April: £745.00

