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NINETEENTH SUNDAY



Dear Friends,

Luke 12:32-48 - Jesus taught His disciples to be watchful, alert and awake... to be prepared. He said to them that no one knew the day or the hour when God would break into their history. He also said that the son of man would come when he is least expected.

Be alert! Stay awake! Be watchful! Now is the moment of Grace!

Jesus used imageries familiar to his listeners. “Let your loins be girt” he said... in other words, pull up your sleeves; “keep your lamps burning”, trim the wick and replenish the lamps with oil... just be ready to welcome God as and when he breaks in... you do not know the day or the hour!

How would you like God to find you when he breaks in? Your work completed? Your mission accomplished? Fulfilling the mission given to you? Your lamps burning bright?

Make sure that all is in good order!

Jesus told them the parable of the faithful steward to emphasize the need for preparedness. He asked them about what would happen to a steward who was abusive in his master’s absence.

Jesus called them to be faithful even in the master’s absence, even when no one is watching. Faithfulness is an enduring quality of a person and not just doing duties and fulfilling obligations.

He also taught them that responsibility came with privilege.... “More will be asked of the man to whom more has been entrusted”.

Abuse of privileges brings disaster. Be watchful. Be grateful and be responsible for the gifts and talents which God has given to you.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

When	Where	Masses Requested	Saints & Feasts
Sat 9 th Aug 5.30pm	St. Peter’s	Ian McLennan - RIP	Adoration followed by Mass at 6.00pm
Sun 10 th Aug 9.00am 11.00am	St. Michael’s St. Peter’s	Marie - RIP Alan Botham - RIP	19th Sunday Rosary at 10.40am followed by Mass
Mon 11 th Aug	No Mass	Fr. Maria’s Day off	St. Clare
Tue 12 th Aug 9.45am	St. Michael’s	Requiem Mass of John Fitzgerald	St. Jane Frances De Chantal
Wed 13 th Aug 10.00am	St. Michael’s		
Thu 14 th Aug 9.30am	St. Peter’s	Bernadette Langton - RIP	St. Maximilian Kolbe
Fri 15 th Aug 9.30am	St. Peter’s	Elizabeth James - Thanksgiving	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Solemnity

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 10th August. 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.

PLEASE NOTE

Due to the Requiem Mass of **John Fitzgerald** at St. Michael’s on Tuesday, 12th

August, there will be no Mass at St. Peter's that day.
Thank you for your understanding.

CENTRALIZED PARISH ADMINISTRATION

To streamline the administration of our parishes, all administrative tasks will now be coordinated from St. Peter's, Cirencester. If you need to contact the parish office, please use the St. Peter's email address or telephone number. Any emails going forward that are sent to the St. Michael's email address will be redirected to St. Peter's for handling.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO GLASTONBURY: SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2025

This year's pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, 7th September 2025 and will be centred around the theme of 'Mary, Woman of Hope', aligning with the Jubilee Year's theme of "Pilgrims of Hope."

As well as the usual Rosary Procession around Glastonbury town centre in the afternoon, there will be an additional Procession in the morning to celebrate the Jubilee from the Abbey grounds to the top of Glastonbury Tor.

Fr. Dominic Findlay-Wilson introduces this year's Pilgrimage in the video below. Full details: [Glastonbury Pilgrimage / Clifton Diocese](#)



REST IN PEACE

We are sad to announce the recent death of a long time parishioner of St. Michael's Tetbury **John Fitzgerald**. John carried out many ministries at St. Michael's over the years. We wish to express our condolences to his wife and family.

His **Requiem Mass** will be celebrated on **Tuesday, 12th August at 9.45 am at St. Michael's Tetbury.**
May his soul rest in peace.



John Fitzgerald

Clifton Diocesan Annual Formation Day

The Clifton Diocesan Annual Formation Day will take place on 11 October at St. Brendan's College, Brislington, with Mgr John Armitage (Parish Priest, Former Rector of the National Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham and Master of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom) as

our keynote speaker. Anyone who has heard Mgr John speak before knows what an inspiring and gifted priest and speaker he is. He will be reflecting on the theme of 'Being an Evangelist Today: the tools required to be a joyful witness of Jesus'. In addition, there will be several workshop options for people to attend. There will be more information shortly but please do put the date in your diary; we look forward to seeing you in October!

DEPARTMENT FOR ADULT EDUCATION AND EVANGELISATION



A FUTURE full of

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St. Peter's Parish Barbeque



ST. PETER'S PARISH BBQ – YOU'RE INVITED!

We're delighted to invite you all to the **St. Peter's Barbeque** on **Sunday, 14th September** - so please mark the date in your calendar!

Join us for a joyful afternoon filled with delicious food, warm fellowship, and lots of fun for all ages. You're most welcome to bring along a **vegetable salad or dessert** to share.

To help us with planning, kindly **make yourself known to Fr. Maria or Patrick Scodeller, or Cathy Nelson** if you're able to attend or contribute something.

Let's come together as a parish family and make it a day to remember!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Offertory Collection

Last Week:

St. Peter's: £ 319.90 (incl. via the Dona Machine)

St. Michael: £ 140.32

