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ALL SAINTS' DAY



Dear Friends,

On All Saints Day, we remember all Saints and Martyrs. Saints are people who live in God's presence forever. Martyrs are people who voluntarily suffer death as the punishment for witnessing to faith in Jesus and refusing to renounce Jesus.

Every day, we remember one or more saints. On All Saints Day, on November 1st every year, we remember all who live in God's presence forever. Saints were ordinary people just like us. But they dedicated their lives to God, loved and died for God. They give us examples of how people dedicate their lives to God.

Saints of God come in every age, in all size, shape, colour and age. Abraham was 175 years old when he died; Moses died at the age of 120; Jesus was 30 when he was crucified; Agnes and Maria Goretti were only 12 years old when they were martyred; Antony of the desert died at the age of 105.

All Saints Day is a celebration of the communion of saints and we are part of this communion! We

are all called to be saints, and we can all become saints! All we have to do is to dedicate our lives to God, love and serve Him!

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

When	Where	Masses Requested	Saints & Feasts
Sat 1 st Nov 5.30pm	St. Peter's	Meryl Franco - RIP	Adoration followed by Mass at 6.00pm
Sun 2 nd Nov 9.00am 11.00am	St. Michael's St. Peter's		All Saints - Solemnity Rosary at 10.40am followed by Mass
Mon 3 rd Nov 9.30am	St. Peter's		All Souls
Tue 4 th Nov	No Mass	Fr. Maria's Day off	St. Charles Borromeo
Wed 5 th Nov 10.00am	St. Michael's	Mark & Agatha Loh – Int.	
Thu 6 th Nov 9.30am	St. Peter's	Meryl Franco - RIP	
Fri 7 th Nov 9.30am	St. Peter's	Meryl Franco - RIP	St. Willibrord

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 2nd November. 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.

ALL SOULS' DAY



All Souls' Day is dedicated to prayers for the dead. Many western churches annually observe All Souls' Day on November 2nd, and many Eastern churches celebrate it prior to Lent and the day before Pentecost. Many Christians visit cemeteries where their loved ones are buried. Some

cemeteries offer candles to be placed on these graves. The candles are blessed and marked with the names of the deceased to be placed at the designated grave sites. The Catholic Church remembers deceased members of the congregation on this day.

All Souls' Day was first instituted at the monastery in Cluny in 993 CE and quickly spread throughout the Christian world. People held festivals for the dead long before Christianity. It was Saint Odilo, the abbot of Cluny in France, who in the 10th century, proposed that the day after All Saints' Day be set aside to honor all the departed and not just recognized as saints. Although All Souls' Day is observed informally by some Protestants, it is primarily a Roman Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox holy day.

May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace...

JOIN US FOR THE EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION AT RAU

We warmly invite you to the Eucharistic Celebration at the RAU on **Tuesday, 11th November**, at **7.00 PM**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to come together in prayer and community.

After the Mass, 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!

COMMUNITY KITCHEN - MEXICAN FIESTA

There will be a Community Kitchen Dinner (Mexican Fiesta) on Sunday, 09th November from 4.30 to 6.00pm at the St. Peter's Parish Hall. If you or someone you know could use a free, warm dinner or fellowship, please come along. It's a wonderful atmosphere led by volunteers from our local Catholic parishes. No booking required. – Melissa

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF HOLY SOULS - MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES

During the month of November, we pray for the Holy Souls in purgatory. We also remember those dear to us who have died, family and friends, and the deceased of our parish. Remember that purgatory is on the threshold of heaven, it is where we encounter the healing fire of God's boundless love and mercy. It prepares us for the fullness of life with God. Holy Souls envelopes are available in the church. Please place the names of your deceased relatives or friends as well as the Mass offering you might wish to make and return to the

Presbytery. Alternatively, place your envelope in the Sunday collection. Please do not leave your envelope in church. Intentions will be prayed for at all Masses throughout the month of November.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AT TETBURY

As we approach Remembrance Sunday, the community at Tetbury will come together to honour those who gave their lives in service to our country.

A **two-minute silence** will be observed at **11.00am on Tuesday, November 11th** around the **Market Hall**, offering a moment of reflection and gratitude.

The **Remembrance Service** will take place on **Sunday, November 9th at 2.30pm** in **St. Mary's Church**, followed by the traditional **parade down Long Street** to **St. Saviour's**, where a **wreath-laying ceremony** will be held in the churchyard.

As part of our longstanding tradition, **St. Michael's** will take part in laying a wreath in remembrance. Those who wish to join the service are warmly invited - please contact **Brian** for further details. Let us come together as a community to remember, reflect, and give thanks.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT ST. MICHAEL'S

At St. Michael's on December 12th we will be celebrating the annual Christmas lunch in the church hall from 12 midday.

There will be a collection box for donations for the Christmas raffle in the porch, all contributions gratefully received.

MARRIAGE MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL WILL BE ON SATURDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

Bishop Bosco is to celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 14th February (12 noon) and is inviting all families to join him to acknowledge the joys & challenges of family life. In addition, we will celebrate those couples with significant anniversaries in 2026. You are **all** very welcome to join our diocesan family for this Mass. If you are, or know of a couple, celebrating a special anniversary during 2026 please do let us know. You just need to send names

to: adult.education@cliftondiocese.com with an address so that a personal invitation can be sent out from the bishop. Please include the number of years celebrating. It is always a wonderful Mass at the Cathedral, we look forward to seeing you there.

ADULT EDUCATION AND EVANGELISATION



A FUTURE full of
HOPE
MARRIAGE & family life



"God has poured out his love into our hearts"
Romans 5:5



Join the Bishop
for Mass in the
Cathedral as we
celebrate the gift
that is Marriage
& Family Life on
Saturday 14 February
at 12noon.

All are welcome.

If you are celebrating
a significant
anniversary this year,
newly married, or
looking forward to
marriage in 2026,
then please contact us:
adult.education@cliftondiocese.com
or 0117 902 5595.

CELEBRATING marriage & family life

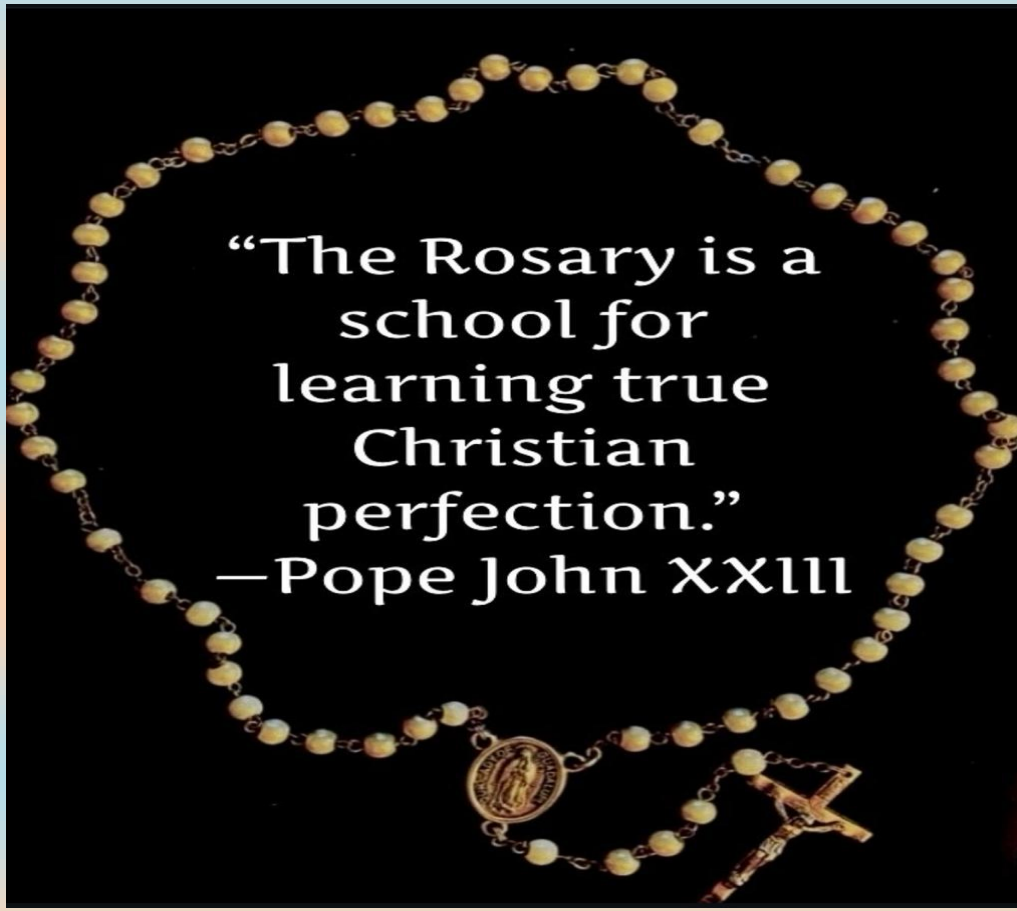


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ROSARY AT ST. PETER'S

You are welcome to come and pray the Rosary, have a chat and cup of tea.

Every Monday at 6.00 pm in the meeting room at the St. Peter's Parish Hall.



Offertory Collection

Last Week:

St. Peter's: £ 353. 52 (incl. via the Dona Machine)
Building Maintenance Fund: £ 50.00

St. Michael: £ 76.60

