

**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
(Last Sunday in Ordinary Time) YEAR A
26th NOVEMBER 2023 - Mass Times**

Saturday 25 th November	6:30 pm	VIGIL MASS - THIRTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Danny, Elizabeth & Lily Cross +
Sunday 26 th November	9:00 am	THIRTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Hannie Leahy +
Tuesday 28 th November	6:30 pm	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Josephi Costa & Simao Costa +
Wednesday 29 th November	9:00 am	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Josie L Goes (Thanksgiving)
Thursday 30 th November	9:00 am	FEAST OF SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE	Asica & Collin Rodrigues (Wed Anv)
Friday 1 st December	5:00 pm	ADORATION	Kingston Family + Lally Family + Obi Family +
	6:30pm	MEMORIAL OF SAINT ALEXANDER BRIANT, MARTYR	

MALAYALAM MASS: EVERY SECOND SUNDAY 3 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Father Obi is available to celebrate this sacrament on Saturdays from 5:45pm until 6.15pm and on request when possible.

If Father Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call:
 Saint Mary's: 01793 535089
 Holy Rood: 01793 522062
 Saint Peter's: 01793 871167

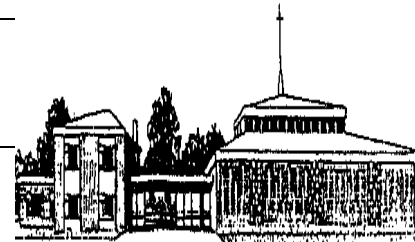


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We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time.
 We pray for God's special blessing on you.
 We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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Parish Office Hour: Wed & Fri: 10 am -2pm

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Readings	: Sunday Mass Cycle A : Ordinary Time Week 34 Year 1.
Eucharistic Prayer	: Psalter (or at Priest's Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever
First Reading	: Ezekiel 34: 11-12
Psalm Response	: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Second Reading	: 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26
Gospel Acclamation	: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!
Gospel	: Matthew 25: 31-46
Communion Antiphon	: The Lord sits as the King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading
 As for you, my sheep, I will judge between sheep and sheep
2nd Reading
 He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.
Gospel
 He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another

This is the last Sunday in ordinary time of Year A. It is the moment of conclusion in the church's liturgical calendar of this year. What a way to end it. It is ending in praise, as always. We celebrate Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe.

Of course, Matthew concludes his gospel account of the life of Jesus in a grand style. He is the king who comes to rule the earth; his kingdom will replace the temporary kingdoms of this world. He will rule with justice and righteousness. As a true shepherd, prophesied by Ezekiel, his style of leadership is service, inspired by love. He will be the judge who will reward everyone according to their deeds.

Very interesting is what will be the mode of this final judgement. What will be the big questions? I was hungry, did you give me food? I was in prison, did you visit me? I was without clothing, did you spare any of yours? If the answer will be yes, then we will have gained the prize of heaven. This is the Gospel Striking Message.

SECOND COLLECTION ON 26th NOVEMBER : CATHOLIC YOUTH (CHRIST THE KING)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The date for the First Holy Communion 2024 is on Saturday 11th May 2024 at 11:00am and Sunday 12th May at 2:00pm. There will be meeting for the Catechists, parents and children for the First Holy Communion on 9th December 2023 at 10:00am. Application forms are still available on our parish website and in the parish office.

CHRISTMAS CARDS : There will be a sale of handmade Christmas cards before and after each weekend mass. Please support this fund-raising. Profit will be given for the building project.

THE PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES : There will be a meeting of the Association on Monday 4TH December between 1:30 - 3:00pm in the convent. You are most welcome to join us for Adoration, Prayer, Tea and Biscuits.

ACHIEVE AFRICA: The annual Christmas Lunch for Achieve Africa is next weekend, Saturday, 2nd December 2023, at 12:30pm. The tickets are available now. A representative of Achieve Africa, Raiza Jorje, will be making an appeal after mass on the 2nd and 3rd December . There will be a second collection to support this important charity for the African children in need.

QR CODE : There is an opportunity for the parishioners to donate by using QR CODE which is published on the notice board. This donation will be going to our hall building. Please, support this important project through this donation. Thank you.

THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP: There will be a meeting on Thursday, 30th November at 2pm in the Presentation Convent. All are welcome.

CHURCH GROUNDS: Some parts of the Church grounds are being cleared at the moment in view of the structural developments we hope to engage ourselves as a Parish Community. A lot of consultations are going on; we hope the outcome will benefit us as a parish and the community around us. We keep you updated as events unfold. We are hugely grateful for your continued support. Let us keep each other in prayer.

PARKING: Please park considerately and legally when using the Church. Parking is available in the car park behind the church, and also in our primary school car park on Sunday mornings and Saturday evenings. It is important that **footpaths and pavements are kept clear**, particularly for people with reduced mobility.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: The Gift Aid Envelopes for the 2023-2024 tax year is available at our parish office. All the tax payers are kindly requested to make use of the tax benefit.

WEEKLY OFFERING: We are encouraging our parishioners, those who are able, to consider setting up direct debit / standing order, which could also attract gift aid (Tax return) from the government to support our parish. You are equally welcome to make a one off donation to the parish.

PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Holder Clifton Diocese
Account Number 66287197
Sort Code 52-10-03

250 CLUB (2023 - 2024): WINNERS OF OCTOBER 2023

OCTOBER 2023		
PRIZE	MN	NAME
1st PRIZE	136	JOSEPH RUDDICK
2nd PRIZE	32	AQUILINE LOBO
3rd PRIZE	128	GRETA TULLY
4th PRIZE	45	PETER CROZIER
5th PRIZE	154	ANCY LOBO

Anniversaries: We pray for the dead, and those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Diocesan Prayer Link : St Catharine, Frome., St Dominic , Mells

Pope's Message: Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for the month of November, for the Pope. We pray for the Holy Father, as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.