

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD YEAR C

5th JANUARY 2025: Mass Time

Saturday 4 th Jan.	6:30 pm	VIGIL MASS – SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	Philip Saladana +
Sunday 5 th Jan.	9:00 am	SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	Magdalena Ribeiro (TKS)
Tuesday 7 th Jan.	6:30 pm	TUESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY	Neziah Gonsalves (B'day)
Wednesday 8 th Jan.	9:00 am	WEDNESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY	Jose & Ema (Wedding Anv.)
Thursday 9 th Jan.	9:00 am	THURSDAY AFTER EPIPHANY	Cardozo & Afonso Family (INT) 3 Halmilton Close +
Friday 10 th Jan.	10:00 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	FUNERAL ADORATION FRIDAY AFTER EPIPHANY	Michael Robert Daley + Private Intention



MALAYALAM MASSES : Every 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month @ 3:00 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:
St. Mary's: 01793 535089 / Holy Rood: 01793 522062 / St. Peter's: 01793871167

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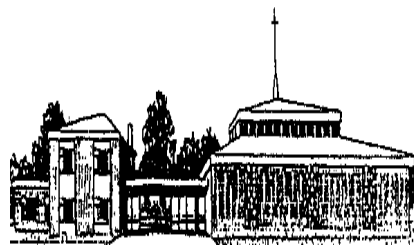
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We pray for God's special blessing on you.

We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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Parish priest Office Hours:

Wed & Fri: 10 am - 2pm.

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Readings	:	Sunday Mass Cycle C : Christmas Week 2 Year 1.
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter (or at Priest's Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; And kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.
First Reading	:	Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalms Response	:	All the nations on earth shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.
Second Reading	:	Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia. We saw his star when it rose And have come to worship the Lord. Alleluia.
Gospel	:	Matthew 2:1-12
Communion Antiphon	:	We have seen his star in the East, And have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

2nd Reading

It has now been revealed that the Gentiles are fellow heirs of the promise.

Gospel

We have come from the east to worship the King.

On this Sunday, we continue to savor the joy of the new born king, we continue to greet the Word made flesh that now dwells among us, and we continue to rejoice because, as the wisdom of God, he dispels our darkness and illumines our lives. Today, the church invites us to reflect on the important of Christ's coming to us, as we celebrate the visit of the wise men from the east to pay him a remarkable homage.

THE CHRISTMAS CRIB: Thank you to Pradeesh and Family and also the Malayalam Community for their great work in preparing the Christmas Crib for us. Thank You.

CONFIRMATION 2025: The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation is on Tuesday 20th May 2025 at 7:00pm. The application forms are available online and in the parish office. The first preparation session will start on 4th February 2025 at 6:30 - 8:00 pm. The preparation programme is on the parish notice board.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The date for First Holy Communion 2025 is on Saturday 10th May 2025 at 11:00 am. The first preparation session will start on 11th January 2025 at 10:00 am to 11:00 am.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: This is an important message for families in our parish. It concerns any sick or housebound person that needs the parish priest for a visit and for the sacrament of the sick. Please arrange an appointment with a priest or send us an email as soon as possible. It is better not left till the last minute.

THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP: Next Thursday Social Group meeting 9th January 2pm-3.15pm in the Convent. Meet old friends and make new ones over a cuppa and chat, all welcome.

BEDROCK : The Bedrock Community inviting everyone for praise and worship soon after 6:30 pm mass on Saturday 11th January to give thanks to our Almighty God for this New Year.

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.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE CHURCH: A very big thank you to all the volunteers in our parish community. We cannot thank you enough for the gift of your time and talents. However, we are mindful that our parish priest and the entire pastoral team have a duty of care for our staff and for those who volunteer to support us in any way. We have carefully discerned that some are beginning to be burdened by their voluntary services. Recently, we have received a good number of brilliant recommendations in the suggestion box; part of it being the need to make some changes and to relieve some volunteers of their duties. Therefore, without prejudice to the excellent services of our volunteers, we invite anyone who wishes to be relieved of their duties in the parish, especially those in the finance and pastoral committees of the parish, to inform our parish priest as soon as possible. We do hope that any decision taken in this regard will rightly be understood as having been carefully made with prayer and discernment.

PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS

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

250 CLUB (2024 - 2025): WINNERS OF DECEMBER 2024

DECEMBER 2024		
PRIZE	MN	NAME
1 st PRIZE	113	BLANCHE METTHEWS
2 nd PRIZE	159	ANN DOYLE
3 rd PRIZE	238	FRANCISKINA DE MELLO
4 th PRIZE	213	LYDIA FERNANDES
5 th PRIZE	144	ULA BRZOZKA

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

Diocesan Prayer Link: *St. Thomas of Canterbury, Fairford with Cricklade.*

Pope's Message: Pope Francis has released his prayer intention for the month of January. The intention is for the right to an education.

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.