

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR B

28th APRIL 2024 : Mass Times

Saturday 27 th April	6:30 pm	VIGIL MASS - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Steny & Sainora (Wedding Anv.)
Sunday 28 th April	9:00 am	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Rayna Goes (B'day)
Tuesday 30 th April	6:30 pm	WEEKDAY OF EASTER	Bob Doughty +
Wednesday 1 st May	9:00 am	WEEKDAY OF EASTER	Luis Goes +
Thursday 2 nd May	9:00 am	MEMORIAL OF SAINT ATHANASIUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH	Tiana (INT)
Friday 3 rd May	5:00 pm	ADORATION	Joaquim Fernandes (B'day)
	6:30 pm	FEAST OF SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES	

MALAYALAM MASS:

EVERY FIRST SUNDAY – 11:30 AM
EVERY SECOND SUNDAY - 3:00 PM



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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

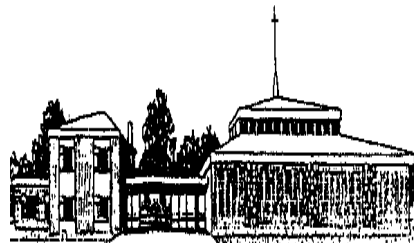
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Holy Family Catholic Church Swindon

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 B : Easter Week 5 Year 2.
Eucharistic Prayer	: Psalter 1 (or at Priest's Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.
First Reading	: Acts of Apostles 9:26-31
Psalm Response	: You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.
Second Reading	: 1 John 3: 18-24
Gospel Acclamation	: Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!
Gospel	: John 15:1 -8
Communion Antiphon	: I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

Barnabas explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul on his journey.

2nd Reading

His commandments are these: that we believe in his Son and that we love one another.

Gospel

Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty.

To Be Sincere and Fruitful, Remain in God's Love

Let your love be sincere. If your conscience doesn't condemn you, then you have nothing to worry about.

Our consciences are like the vineyard of the Lord.

The Lord God prunes our consciences with care, to be balanced and healthy in order to produce much fruits that will last in eternity.

One thing is to be part of the vine, another is to remain as branches we are meant to be.

Saul joins the Christian community as a new convert. It is not about your past or when you become a Christian; we are encouraged to remain in God's love. Faith, Hope and Love are important Christian virtues. The greatest of these is LOVE.

SECOND COLLECTION ON 4th & 5th MAY – CCS ADOPTION (CHILDREN'S SOCIETY)

BLESSING OF THE HOUSES: As usual, there will be house blessings this Easter. Please, contact the parish office to arrange for it.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: This is an important message to families in our parish, concerning any sick and housebound those need the parish priest for visit and for the sacrament of the sick. Please call the parish office or send us email as soon as possible. It is better not left till the last minute.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The date for the First Holy Communion is on Sunday 2nd June 2024 at 2:00 pm. The next session is **Rehearsal** on 4th May at 10:00 to 11:00 am.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME: The date for the sacrament of confirmation is on Tuesday 11th June, 2024 at 7:00 pm. The next preparation session is on 30th April 2024 at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Body Reception into the Church: Since the pandemic, we naturally stopped receiving bodies into the church overnight for funerals. And since some of our parishioners are asking for it, we could now resume this long term practice. However, we need to understand that certain days may not be practically possible to receive bodies into the church, considering any church activities, preceding funerals. For more information, please speak to the parish priest.

250 CLUB : The new subscription for the 2024/2025 250 Club is due. Thanks to all who subscribed last year. Congratulations to all who won prizes. We welcome old and new members this year. Please, contact parish office to **subscribe or renew your subscription.**

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: The Gift Aid Envelopes for the 2024-2025 tax year is available at our parish porch. All the tax payers are kindly requested to make use of the tax benefit.

THE TABLET: The international Catholic weekly "THE TABLET" is on sale. The cost of each copy is £5.00. If anyone would like the further subscription, please contact parish office and write down your details. Thank you.

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.

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 MARCH 2024

MARCH 2024		
PRIZE	MN	NAME
1st PRIZE	49	EVA RODRIGUES
2nd PRIZE	88	IRENE NEW
3rd PRIZE	228	CHRISTINE DILELLA
4th PRIZE	179	SR. ANCILLA
5th PRIZE	236	AZRA PEARL COLACO

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: University / College/ School Chaplaincies

Pope's Message: Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for the month of April, for the role of women.

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.