

**SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
YEAR C
2nd NOVEMBER 2025: Mass Time**

Saturday 1 st Nov.	6:30 pm	VIGIL MASS – SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	Joseph & Jadwiga Jarosz +
Sunday 2 nd Nov.	9:00 am 3:00 pm	SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS AFRICAN MASS	People of the Parish
Monday 3 rd Nov.	6:30 pm	COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOUL'S DAY)	Departed Members of the Parish
Tuesday 4 th Nov.	6:30 pm	MEMORIAL OF SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO, BISHOP	Simao Fernandes & Consolasao De Souza +
Wednesday 5 th Nov.	9:00 am	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Thomas Kallumpurath + (3rd Anniversary)
Thursday 6 th Nov.	9:00 am	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Private Intention
Friday 7 th Nov.	5:00pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm	HOLY ADORATION ROSARY WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Elkan Fernandes (Birthday)

AFRICIAN MASS: EVERY 1st SUNDAY OF THE MONTH @ 3:00 pm
MALAYALAM MASSES: Every 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month @ 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: A priest 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

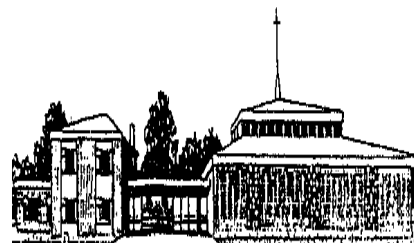
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Holy Family Catholic Church Swindon

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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Wed & Fri: 10 am - 2pm.

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Readings	:	Sunday Mass Cycle C: Ordinary Time Week 31 Year 1.
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter (or at Priest's Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.
First Reading	:	Apocalypse 7:2-4.9-14
Psalms Response	:	Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.
Second Reading	:	1 John 3:1-3
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. Alleluia.
Gospel	:	Matthew 5:1-12
Communion Antiphon	:	Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

Behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages.

2nd Reading

We shall see God as he is.

Gospel

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

Last Sunday's gospel seems to set the tone for that of this Sunday. Just like the republican, another tax collector, Zaccheus climbed his way up to salvation.

Did he need to trouble himself that much? He knew he was a short man and people blocked his view. He could represent those who have little or no faith just because the world and society have blocked their proper views about God. And they are anxious to know the Truth. It could be our own lifestyle as Christians that could easily block people from meeting Jesus.

But Jesus could see his effort and asked him to come down. Jesus visited him, then Zaccheus promised that he would give back to the poor what he had taken from them.

What a joy for him and his household to hear those words of absolution from the Lord, "Today, salvation has come to this house."

SECOND COLLECTION ON 1st & 2nd NOVEMBER – CATHEDRAL APPEAL

BLESSING OF GRAVES: Kingsdown - Sunday 2nd November 1:00 pm.

Whitworth Road - Sunday 9th Nov. 1:00 pm, Stratton - Sunday 16th Nov. 1:00 pm

BEDROCK: The Bedrock Community is inviting everyone for praise and worship on Saturday 8th Nov. soon after 6:30 pm mass. All are welcome.

THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP: The next meeting will be on 6th Nov. at 2:00 pm until 3:15 pm in the Convent. All are welcome.

THE CATHEDRAL MASS: Bishop Bosco will be celebrating 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. 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 to have Mass at the Cathedral, we look forward to seeing you there.

VACANCIES | CLIFTON DIOCESE SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES: The Little Way Catholic Educational Trust are very excited to recruit Chaplaincy and Youth Ministry team members to support the primary schools within our Trust with chaplaincy and youth ministry. We are at the start of our journey into developing a team of youth ministers to work within our Trust schools. These roles will be to work across six primary schools in the first instance and so a willingness to travel between those schools (across Gloucestershire) either by one's own transport or by using public transport or lift shares if necessary. Salary - £17,306.00 Annually (FTE) - National Living Minimum Wage. Closing Date - 11:59pm, 7th Nov 2025. Start Date - 5th Jan. 2026. Positions Available – 2. Interview Date - Friday 14th Nov. 2025. Further Details - Charlotte Blanch, CEO of the Little Way Catholic Educational Trust. Telephone: 07962 521428. Email: c.blanch@lwcet.co.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The date for First Holy Communion 2026 is on Saturday 6th June 2026 at 11:00am and Sunday 7th June at 2pm. There will be a meeting for the Catechists, parents and children for First Holy Communion on 13th Dec. at 10am.

CONFIRMATION: The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026 is on Tuesday 9th June 2026 at 7:00pm. The application forms are available online and in the parish office.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Red Wednesday Mass for Persecuted Christians on Wednesday 19th Nov. at 6.45pm in Clifton Cathedral with Bishop Bosco MacDonald as main celebrant. The default position of 'the world' on the issue of Christian persecution is largely silence. #Red Wednesday week offers a chance as Catholics and other Christians to make a stand together in solidarity. Please come and unite in prayer with our suffering brothers and sisters in Christ. All are welcome.

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.

PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Holder Clifton Diocese

Account Number 66287197

Sort Code 52-10-03

250 CLUB (2025 - 2026): WINNERS OF OCTOBER 2025

OCTOBER 2025		
PRIZE	MN	NAME
1 st PRIZE	64	TERESA MARTIN
2 nd PRIZE	55	ALEX FERNANDES
3 rd PRIZE	114	FLORENCE D'SOUZA
4 th PRIZE	10	PASCOAL DA CUNHA
5 th PRIZE	47	ANTHONY RUTHERFORD

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. Patrick, Brockworth. Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Churchdown.*

Prayer Intention for the Universal Church: *The prayer intention for the month of November is for the prevention of suicide.*

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.