

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR C
25th MAY 2025: Mass Time**

Saturday 24 th May	6:30 pm	VIGIL MASS – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Leeonora D'Souza +
Sunday 25 th May	9:00 am	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Netta Kingston (Birthday) Lourenco Fernandes (Birthday)
Tuesday 27 th May	6:30 pm	FEAST OF SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP	Clarinda Pinto (Birthday)
Wednesday 28 th May	9:00 am 10.:30 am	WEEKDAY OF EASTER FUNERAL	Sophia Viegas (TKS) Hannah Farrelly+
Thursday 29 th May	9:00 am	SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	Francisco Lucas D'Souza & Richard D'Souza +
Friday 30 th May	5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm	HOLY ADORATION ROSARY WEEKDAY OF EASTER	Alistair & Sarvshree (Wedding Anv.)

MALAYALAM MASSES: Every 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month @ 3:00pm

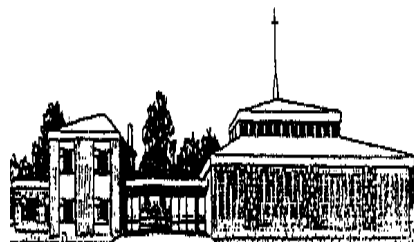
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Father Obi is available to celebrate this sacrament on Saturdays from 5:45pm until 6.15pm and on request when possible.

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

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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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Readings	:	Sunday Mass Cycle C: Easter Week 6 Year 1.
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter 2 (or at Priest's Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.
First Reading	:	Acts of Apostles 15: 1-2, 22-29.
Psalms Response	:	Let the peoples praise you, O God; Let all the peoples praise you.
Second Reading	:	Apocalypse 21: 10-14, 22-23
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him. Alleluia!
Gospel	:	John 14: 23 - 29
Communion Antiphon	:	If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

It has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements.

2nd Reading

He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.

Gospel

The Holy Spirit will bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

The vision of John in Revelation 21 and 22 which we hear about in today's second reading paints a beautiful image of Jerusalem, the City of God. It is a city magnificently established on a hill top. It radiates with great light shining for all others to see. There are twelve gates. On these gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. It is a place where every tribe and tongue and nation is envisioned to be represented.

It is the vision of the people of God, the Church, where everyone finds a home.

St Peter's Basilica welcomes millions of pilgrims and tourists every year. And so should every church in cities, towns and villages of the world welcome anyone who come seeking God. We may not see the names of the ancient tribes of Israel on the pillars of the Vatican or walls of our churches; but the twelve apostles who are the foundation of the Church remind us constantly the universality of the church.

Acts of the Apostles 15 we read today remind us of the continuous challenge we have as a church to be open and inclusive in our evangelical and mission approach.

The Gospel of John speaks again about love. Love opens us to hear God's word and keep it; that God may come to make a home in us. Love is the new circumcision.

SECOND COLLECTION: 31st & 1st JUNE – CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION NETWORK

BLESSING OF HOUSES: As usual, there will be house blessings. It is an opportunity to visit the sick and the house bound. Please, contact the parish office to arrange for it.

THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP: Thursday social group will be meeting on 29th May at 2pm-3:15pm in the convent. All are welcome to renew friendship and to make new ones.

VISITATION OF STATUE OF OUR LAND OF FATIME AND THE RELICS OF ST. FRANCISCO AND JACINTA: On the 7th and 8th of June, The World Apostolate of Fatima-England and Wales is bringing to Holy Rood church. All are invited. For more information, please check poster on the church notice board.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SWINDON: Saint Joseph's Catholic College have an exciting vacancy for a Lay Chaplain effective to start from September 2025. The role is fulltime and during term times only, but we'll also consider candidates interested in parttime and flexible working options. Please see the Eteach link here <https://www.eteach.com/job/lay-chaplain-1486583> for the full recruitment pack or contact our HR team for further information at HR@stjosephscollege.net or by phone on (01793) 236053. Deadline for applications is Monday 15th June 2025.

ROSARY: Please write down your name on the notice board, if you would like to lead the rosary this month for 20 minutes before the mass. Thank you.

250 Club: 250 Club new applications and renewal forms for the Year 2025-2026 are now available in the parish porch. Thanks to all who subscribed last time and we encourage old and new members to subscribe. Thank you for your continuous support.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: The Gift Aid Envelopes for the 2025-2026 tax year is available at our parish porch. All the tax payers are kindly requested to make use of the tax benefit.

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 (2024 - 2025): WINNERS OF APRIL 2025

APRIL 2025		
PRIZE	MN	NAME
1 st PRIZE	90	OSVALDO CAMELO
2 nd PRIZE	125	EILEEN KENNY
3 rd PRIZE	211	ANTHONY RUTHERFORD
4 th PRIZE	132	NUALA SZELIGA
5 th PRIZE	170	CHINAZA ONYEOKORO

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. Luke and St. Teresa, Wincanton, with Milbourne Port, Castle Carey and Bruto.*

Prayer Intention for the Universal Church: *The prayer intention for the month of May is for working conditions.*

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanised.