



CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST BERNADETTE

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Seeking to revel in the Father's love; to proclaim Jesus as Lord; and to be alive in the Holy Spirit

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 6th January 2019

5.45pm Mass *Fred Hitchcock RIP*

Sunday 6th January – SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

10.30am Mass

Monday 7th January – Monday after Epiphany

No Mass

Tuesday 8th January – Tuesday after Epiphany

10.00am Christmas Mass at Primary School *Peter Bray*

10.00am Church Cleaning

Wednesday 9th January – Wednesday after Epiphany

9.30am Mass *Kathleen and Seamus McGrath*

10.00am Coffee Morning

Thursday 10th January – Thursday after Epiphany

No Mass

Friday 11th January – Friday after Epiphany

11.30am Requiem Mass *Mabel Nolan RIP*

Saturday 12th January – Saturday after Epiphany

9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10.00am Mass *Aileen's Son*

5.45pm Mass

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: From Fr Matt, "Thank you for your very generous Christmas offering and for your kind cards and gifts. Wishing you all a continued Happy Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year"

BUILDING PROJECT SECOND COLLECTION: Thank you for the £515 raised towards the building fund.

COFFEE MORNING: will start again on this Wednesday 9th January. Since November 2015, we have raised £3300 for the building fund. Many thanks to all our supporters.

CHURCH CLEANING: The next church cleaning will be this Tuesday 8th January 2019.

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FULL
OF HOPE
CLIFTON DIOCESE

*Confessions:
Sat 5pm – 5.30pm
or on request*

REQUIEM MASS: Mabel Nolan's Requiem Mass will be this Friday 11th January at 11.30am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Enrolment is now closed for the First Holy Communion programme for 2019. We will be delighted to meet the children for an official 'enrolment' at Mass on Sunday 13th January.

APPLICATION FOR RECEPTION CLASS AT ST BERNADETTE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2019: If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, you will need to make an application for a Reception class place via Bristol City Council on the common application form before midnight on Tuesday 15th January 2019 www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/primary-admissions In addition to the common application a baptismal certificate needs to be provided to the school by Tuesday 15 January 2019. Please contact that school on 0117 3772373 to arrange a visit.

ST DUNSTAN'S, KEYNSHAM: From Fr Matt:

"As I explained last weekend, later this year I will be taking pastoral responsibility for the parish of St Dunstan's, Keynsham as Fr Tibor will retire in the summer and will not be replaced. I will be working in conjunction with other priests in the deanery but, ultimately, I will be their parish priest. Currently there are 60 priests under retirement age in the diocese, serving 107 parishes. This number will drop to around 45 in 2021 (excluding deaths and Ordinations). Currently we have 7 priests in the deanery. We have to expect this number to drop to 3-4 in the next few years. All this will mean that we will have to expect changes. The need for more lay people to take responsibility for the running of parishes will increase. It will also mean that, at times, when a priest is away on holiday and supply priests are in short supply, there will be no celebration of Sunday Mass - instead, the Church offers provision for a Sunday celebration in the absence of a priest, and we will need to train people to lead these services. We need to prepare ourselves for this. In his Pastoral Letter last weekend, Bishop Declan highlighted how we will need to be inventive and creative as we face new realities. The way ahead looks challenging, but it is exciting too as we seek new ways to be a Church and to proclaim the Gospel to a hungry world.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £165.95 (Gift Aid) + £247.55 (Cash) + £197 (S/O) + £94.60 (Average Tax back) = £705.10 Thank you.