

Gift Aid Declaration/**Deklaracja na Gift Aid (Darowizna na kościół)**  
**Registered Charity No. 1170168**  
Roman Catholic Diocese of Clifton – Holy Family Parish  
**Rzymsko-Katolicka Diecezja Clifton – Holy Family Parafialny**

Title: **Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms** (Proszę zakreślić odpowiednie)  
Please fill in all the data in Block Capitals/**Proszę wypełnić poniższe dane drukowanymi literami**  
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First Name(s)/**Imię** .....  
Home Address/**Adres** .....  
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Post Code/**Kod pocztowy** .....  
Telephone Number(s)/**Numer telefonu** .....  
**E-mail** .....

Please tick if you do not want to be contacted by e-mail by either the Parish or the Diocese.  
**Proszę wstawić krzyżyk, jeśli ni chce Pan/Pani kontaktowania się drogą e-mail ową przez plebanie lub diecezje.**

Please treat all gifts of money that I make today, and in the future, as Gift Aid donations.  
**Proszę traktować wszystkie moje dakti, które składam dzisiaj i będę w przyszłości jako Gift Aid (Darowiznę na kościół)/LUB**

Please treat all gifts of money that I have made in the past 4 years, and all future gifts of money that I make from the date of this declaration, as Gift Aid donations.

**Proszę traktować wszystkie moje dakti, które składałem/-łam przez ostatnie 4 lata i będę w przyszłości jako Gift Aid (Darowiznę na kościół)-od daty niniejszej deklaracji.**

Please tick the appropriate box.

**Proszę wstawić krzyżyk w odpowiednie pole.**

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year, it is my responsibility to pay any difference to HMRC.  
**Placę podatki w UK i rozumiem, że jeśli zapłacę mniejszą kwotę Podatku Dochodowego/Income Tax [lub] Podatku od zysków kapitałowych/Capital Gains Tax/niż wszystkie moje Gift Aid (Darowizny na Kościół) w tym roku podatkowym, to jest to moim obowiązkiem spłacić naiezną różnicę do HMRC.**

Signature ..... Date .....

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer. Please notify the charity if you:-

- want to cancel this declaration
- change your name or home address
- no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains

**Gift Aid (Darowizna na kościół) jest woina od podatku, ponieważ opłacasz podatek w pracy na obecny rok podatkowy. Proszę podać swój adres, aby potwierdzić, że mieszkasz w UK i placisz podatek.**

**Proszę powiadomić Kościół o następujących zmianach:**

**Jeśli chcesz wycofać swój udział w programie Gift Aid**

**Zmienić swoje dane: nazwisko lub adres**

**Twoje zarobki są mniejsze niż minimalne wynagrodzenie na rok i dlatego nie opłacasz podatku dochodowego lub podatku od zysków kapitałowych**

If you pay income tax at the higher, or additional, rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return, or ask HMRC to adjust your tax code.

**Jeśli placisz za wysoki podatek i chcesz otrzymać dodatkową zniżkę podatkową, to proszę uwzględnić w swoim rozliczeniu podatkowym wszystkie swoje Gift Aid (Darowizny dane na kościół), lub poprosić HMRC o dobranie kodu podatkowego – właściwego do twoich zarobków.**

# Holy Family Parish Patchway



## New Parishioners Welcome Booklet 2023-2024

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PATCHWAY, SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE, BS34 5DP  
*Pastoral Area of St Edmund of Abingdon*

Parish Website:  
[www.holyfamilyrcchurchpatchway.co.uk](http://www.holyfamilyrcchurchpatchway.co.uk)

Parish Email:  
[bristol.holyfamily@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bristol.holyfamily@cliftondiocese.com)

Parish Tweet: @holfamilyBS34

**PARISH PRIEST**

**Fr Eugene T Campbell VF**

*(Vicar Forane of the Pastoral Area of St Edmund of Abingdon)*

 **Holy Family Presbytery**

**Southsea Road**

**Patchway**

**South Gloucestershire**

**BS34 5DP**

 **0117 9081247**

 **[eugene.campbell@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:eugene.campbell@cliftondiocese.com)**

**PARISH DEACON**

**Rev Donald Cramer-Barnicoat**

 **50 Beaufort Crescent**

**Stoke Gifford**

**South Gloucestershire**

**BS34 8QY**

 **0117 9698124**

 **[donald.cramerbarnicoat@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:donald.cramerbarnicoat@cliftondiocese.com)**

*Gift Aid it*

GIFT AID DECLARATION  
CLIFTON CATHOLIC DIOCESAN TRUSTEES REGISTERED  
REGISTERED Charity No. 1170168

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ - Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: **HOLY FAMILY PARISH, PATCHWAY, BRISTOL.**

**For every £1 you donate the Diocese will claim 25p of Gift Aid**

I declare that I wish the charity to treat all donations I have made for the four years prior to this year, and all future donations as Gift Aid donations. I confirm that I am a UK taxpayer and I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid on all my donations for each tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

signed: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

I intend to give regularly using *(please tick)* Standing Orders \_\_\_\_ Envelopes \_\_\_\_

*Please return this form to your parish.*

✂ \_\_\_\_\_

**BANKERS STANDING ORDER FORM (new donor)**

from your name: \_\_\_\_\_

address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_\_

to the Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ Bank

address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_\_

Sort Code: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay **Nat West Bank**, The Mall, Clifton, Bristol. Sort Code: **52-10-03**

Please credit Diocese of Clifton Covenant Account No. **66849357**

on the **6th** day of \_\_\_\_\_ or the **6th** day of the following month  
if received after the above date and on the **6th** day of each month until further notice.

the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ please quote ref: **Holy Family, Patchway.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Gift Aid it



Throughout the diocese we are drawing up pastoral guidelines for the mission of our parishes and other communities. In drawing up our plans we need to ensure we can resource them properly.

Gift Aid is a simple way of increasing financial giving without pain. We can claim back your tax, so increasing the value of your giving.

+ 10p

*Holy Family Parish **needs** your help!*

**Tax changes are going to cost our parish.**

**Gift aiding the donations you already make will cost you nothing, but will make a real difference to our parish.**

*If you change your mind you can cancel the arrangement at any time...*

**... and you can increase your giving at anytime too!**

**And if you already Gift Aid, please take this opportunity to review how much you give?**

# Masses & Services

**FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY**  
6pm SATURDAY

**SUNDAY MASSES**  
at 9.30am & 11am

*Some Masses are live-streamed.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday 11.00 ~ 11.30am  
and at call

**BAPTISMS ~ WEDDINGS ~ FUNERALS**  
by appointment

Weekday Masses

***Please check the weekly Parish Newsletter or the parish website for up to date information***

# Our Parish Primary Schools

We are very lucky to have  
**two** successful Catholic Primary Schools in our parish.  
Both schools accept children from 4 ~ 11 years  
who are from the Catholic Faith ~  
other Christian Faiths and those who have no Faith.

## HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Amberley Road  
Stoke Lodge  
South Gloucestershire  
BS34 6BY

☎ 01454 866786

💻 Anne2.Collins@holyfamillyprimary.co.uk  
www.holyfamilyprimary.co.uk

Head Teacher: Mr William Harding  
Secretary: Mrs Anne Collins.

## ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARYS SCHOOL

Webbs Wood Road  
Bradley Stoke  
South Gloucestershire  
BS32 8EJ

☎ 01454 866390

💻 admin@stmarysbs.org.uk  
www.stmarysbradleystoke.org.uk

Applications for admission to the schools is via  
www.southglos.gov.uk ~ Both schools are their own admissions authority

The next questions relate to your involvement in the life of the parish.  
**WOULD YOU LIKE INFORMATION ON OR VOLUNTEER FOR ANY OF THE  
FOLLOWING MINISTERIES AND ACTIVITIES:-**

|                                     |   |                            |   |                       |   |                          |   |                                      |   |                               |   |                        |  |
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| Eucharistic Ministry                |   | Reading Ministry           |   | Altar Server          |   | Choir                    |   | Musician                             |   | Sacristy Duty                 |   | Washing Church Linen   |  |
| Gift Aid                            |   | Offertory Envelopes        |   | Church Cleaning       |   | Flower Arranging         |   | Welcomer                             |   | Offertory Collector           |   | Collection Counter     |  |
| Parish Finance & Premises Committee |   | Journey in Faith Catechist |   | Children's Catechesis |   | 1st HC Catechist         |   | Confirmation Catechist               |   | Baptism Catechist             |   | Marriage Catechist     |  |
| Taking Holy Communion to the sick   |   | Parish Care Team           |   | Fund Raising          |   | Visiting the house-bound |   | Rep for the Deanery Pastoral Council |   | Society of St Vincent De Paul |   | After 11am Mass Coffee |  |
| Ecumenical Partnership              |   | Community Liaison          |   | Legion of Mary        |   | Brownies                 |   | Grass cutting                        |   | Choir                         |   | Altar Serving          |  |
| Office duties                       |   | Bradley Stoke Liaison      |   | Patchway Liaison      |   | Theatre Trips            |   | Pilgrimages                          |   |                               |   |                        |  |

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| SIGNED:     | DATE:       |
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*Tear these pages out of your book  
and either put them in an envelope  
and put them on the Offertory Collection  
or drop it into the  
presbytery letter box.*

*Thank you*

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH**  
**Patchway,**  
**South Gloucestershire.**  
**CENSUS**

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS

ADULTS IN RESIDENCE:

|   | First Name | Surname | Religion | Marital Status |
|---|------------|---------|----------|----------------|
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| 2 |            |         |          |                |
| 3 |            |         |          |                |
| 4 |            |         |          |                |

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| ADDRESS     |  | Post Code: | Telephone Number | Ex-Dir? |
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| Second line |  |            |                  |         |
| Third line  |  |            |                  |         |
| Fourth line |  |            |                  |         |
| Email:      |  |            |                  |         |

*Information provided on this form, together with all other personal data held about these individuals by the Parish and the Clifton Diocese, is processed in accordance with the Diocese's Privacy Notice; which is available at <https://cliftondiocese.com/privacy-notice> or from the Parish Office.*

IF YOU ARE HAPPY FOR YOUR ADDRESS / EMAIL / TELEPHONE NUMBER TO BE GIVEN TO A PARISHIONER / OR PARISH GROUP PLEASE SIGN HERE:

**CHILDREN IN RESIDENCE:** *This information will NOT be given out without Parental Permission be sought first.*

|   | First Name | Surname | Date of Birth | Baptised ? | Communion? | Confirmation? | School |
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*Please turn over*

**USEFUL NUMBERS**  
**&**  
**EMAIL ADDRESSES**

|  |                      |   |
|--|----------------------|---|
| Fr Eugene Campbell   |                      | 0117 9081247<br>eugene.campbell@cliftondiocese.com  |
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| Church Gift Aid Sec.   | Angela Thorpe        | angela_1@fsmail.net   |
| Choir & Musicians  | Teresa Pembery       | 0117 949212<br>Teresa.pembery@googlemail.com  |
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| Children's Liturgy   | Becky Thornton-Smith |   |
| Parish Fund Raising  | Sam Witts            | 0117 6960196<br>sam.witts@stmonicastrust.org.uk   |
| Parish Finance Officer   |                      |   |
| Safeguarding Officer   | Sam Witts            | 0117 6960196  |



# Local Mass Times in the area

There are a number of Catholic churches fairly close to Holy Family. Here is a list of some local churches with their Sunday Mass times

**Clifton Cathedral** (The Cathedral Church of SS Peter and Paul), Clifton Park, Bristol BS8 3BX

(There are many other churches in central Bristol)

**Bishopston St Bonaventure** Egerton Road, Bishopston, BS11 9TU

**Downend St Augustine of Canterbury** Boscombe Crescent, Downend BS16 6QR

**Filton St Teresa of the Child Jesus** 71 Gloucester Road North, BS34 7PL

**Fishponds St Joseph** Forest Road Fishponds BS16 3QT

**Henbury St Antony** Keinton Walk, Henbury BS10 7BE

**Lawrence Weston Our Lady of the Rosary** 12 Kings Weston Lane, BS11 0QU

**Shirehampton St Bernard** Pembroke Avenue, Shirehampton BS11 9TU

**Southmead St Vincent de Paul** Glencoyne Square, Southmead BS10 6DS

**Thornbury Christ the King** 11 Castle Street, Thornbury BS35 1HA

**Westbury-on-Trym Sacred Heart** Grange Court Road Westbury-on-Trym BS9 4DR

**Wotton-under-Edge, Holy Cross** 15 Old Town, Wotton-under-Edge, Glos, GL12 7DH

**Polish Church, Our Lady of Ostrobrama**, Cheltenham Road, Bristol, BS6 5RH

| SATURDAY |  |
|----------|--|
| 5.00pm   | <b>Holy Cross, Wotton-under-Edge</b>   |
| 5.15pm   | <b>St Vincent de Paul, Southmead</b>   |
| 6pm      | <b>HOLY FAMILY, Clifton Cathedral, St Joseph's, Fishponds, St Antony's Henbury, St Augustine, Downend, Our Lady of the Rosary, Lawrence Weston</b> |
| 7pm      | <b>Our Lady of Ostrobrama, Polish Church</b>   |
| SUNDAY   |  |
| 8am      | <b>Clifton Cathedral, St James Priory</b>  |
| 9am      | <b>St Bernard's, Shirehampton Christ the King, Thornbury</b>   |
| 9:15am   | <b>St Teresa's, Filton, Sacred Heart, Westbury-on-Trym</b>   |
| 9:30am   | <b>HOLY FAMILY, Cathedral, Downend, Thornbury</b>  |
| 10am     | <b>St Bonaventure's, Bishopston St Joseph's, Fishponds, Our Lady of Ostrobrama, Polish Church,</b>   |
| 10:30    | <b>St Teresa's, Filton, Christ the King, Thornbury</b>   |
| 11am     | <b>HOLY FAMILY, Our Lady of the Rosary, Lawrence Weston,</b>   |
| 11:15am  | <b>Clifton Cathedral, Sacred Heart, Westbury-on-Trym</b>   |
| 6 pm     | <b>Clifton Cathedral, St Joseph's, Fishponds, St Bonaventure's, Bishopston,</b>  |
| 7 pm     | <b>Our Lady of Ostrobrama, Polish Church</b>   |

# Missio ~ APF



The Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF) assists each and every one of the Catholic Church's 1,069 mission dioceses to provide pastoral care and preach the Gospel effectively.



It was founded in Lyons, France, in 1822 by a young French woman, Pauline-Marie Jaricot. She began by persuading local working people to support overseas mission by giving a farthing a week. A century later, when the organisation was established in almost every country in the world, Pope Pius XI made it the official mission-funding society for the Catholic Church.

The APF in England and Wales works collaboratively with the Mill Hill Missionary Society; the only major missionary society to have been formed in England. Mill Hill missionaries are sent to the most remote places in the world to show the love of Christ to those who are in need, both spiritually and materially.

As part of this partnership, APF-Mill Hill publish *Mission Today*, a quarterly magazine that keeps supporters up to date with mission news.

In England and Wales, funds for overseas mission are collected through the famous Red Boxes. These can be found in 200,000 homes and they have helped raise millions of pounds for the missionary Church.



Missio is a registered charity No.1056651, governed by a Trust Deed dated 18 June 1996. Missio is part of the Pontifical Mission Societies worldwide network and does not receive grants from the Government or EU sources and does not keep investments.

**You can be a part of the 'RED BOX' scheme in the parish by collecting a box. from the back of the Church. Fill-up the box, fill in the form on the bottom of the box, and return it when the notice goes into the Parish Newsletter.**

Treasurer: John Sleightholme sleightholmej@gmail.com



Clifton Diocese is the Catholic diocese covering the West of England and includes the City and County of Bristol, the counties of Gloucestershire, Somerset, Wiltshire, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire and Bath and North East Somerset. The Diocese came into existence in 1851 and was preceded by the Western District. There are 107 parishes within 13 deaneries serving a Catholic population of around 190,000. Around 33,000 people attend Mass around the diocese every weekend. More than 2,000 people are actively involved in Catholic associations in the diocese. The diocese was legally established as a charity on 6 May 1934 under the title Clifton Catholic Diocesan Trustees. **CLIFTON DIOCESE (a Company Limited by Guarantee registered in England and Wales under number 1046207. A registered charity number 1170168. Registered Office: St Ambrose North Road Leigh Wood, Bristol BS8 3PW)**

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## Right Reverend Declan Lang ~ 9th Bishop of Clifton



Bishop Lang was **born on 15 April 1950** in Cowes on the Isle of Wight. Both his parents came from Ireland. His father was a doctor in Cowes having previously worked as a GP in Birmingham. He went to Allen Hall, St Edmund's College, Ware to train for the priesthood in September 1968 and while he was there he also went to Royal Holloway College University of London, where he gained a BA in history.

He was **ordained a priest on 7 June 1975** by Bishop Derek Worlock at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Bishop Lang's **Episcopal Ordination was on 28 March 2001** in Clifton Cathedral, Bristol. Within the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales Bishop Lang is Chair of the Bishops' Conference Department of International Affairs and sits on the Mixed Commission of the Conference of Religious. He is a member of the Bishops' Conference Department of Christian Responsibility and Citizenship. He is one of the Vice Chairs of the National Catholic Safeguarding Commission and is also the Chair of Missio - the Pontifical Missionary Societies. Previously he was a member of the Department for Dialogue and Unity being the joint co-chair of the English Anglican Roman Catholic Committee and the committee for Dialogue between the United Reformed Church and the Roman Catholic Church.

Within the diocese Bishop Lang instigated a review of diocesan structures and as a result created the Diocesan Department for Evangelisation and Adult Education and a new Department for Schools and Colleges. During this time the Diocesan Liturgical Commission has also been reformed. He has launched a process of renewal entitled 'Seeking the Face of Christ' the purpose of which is to draw up pastoral guidelines for the development of the diocese. This resulted in our diocesan pastoral guidelines 'Called to be a People of Hope'. This involved all parishes and other communities that make up the Clifton Diocese.

In 2002 Bishop Lang was appointed an Ecumenical Prebendary of Bristol Cathedral.

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# Parish Sacramental Programmes

The Church says that anyone who wishes to receive one of the sacraments should first do some preparation. This includes some instruction about the meaning of the sacrament and also some spiritual preparation so that the sacrament might be approached in the right way. Holy Family Parish provides this preparation. You will see from the next pages that there are quite a few opportunities for confirmed and practicing Catholics to get involved as catechists and we are always on the lookout for people to join us.



## BAPTISM for infants and children – *for adults see RCIA below*

Parents of babies and small children need to know what the Church teaches about baptism so that they understand what they are undertaking in presenting their children for this sacrament, and so that they can explain to their children at an older age what happened to them. Parents are therefore invited to come in small groups under the leadership of a married couple for 2 or 3 sessions prior to the baptism. **To book your child's Baptism at Holy Family, please speak to Deacon Don after one of the Weekend Masses.**

## RECONCILIATION and HOLY COMMUNION

These two sacraments normally occur close together. Children are gathered together for a number of sessions, normally on Saturday mornings where several catechists take them through the meaning of the sacraments. There are also some meetings for the parents. This process normally happens each year. **Currently the course is open to all children who are 8 years of age as of the 31st August of the current year. First Holy Communion Masses take place in September each year. (If you wish your child to make the First Reconciliation or First Holy Communion at another Church, please contact Fr Eugene in advance of registering for the course in that parish.)**



## CONFIRMATION

This sacrament is conferred by the bishop who visits the parish every one or two years for the purpose. Before this the candidates meet for a series of sessions with several catechists. **We ask that candidates be 14 years and above.**



## MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to be married in our church need to approach Fr Eugene or Deacon Don well in advance, and at least 6 - 12 months before they wish to get married. This meeting is necessary to cover any administrative details, and for Fr Eugene or Deacon Don to arrange to send them on course run by a Catholic organization for their spiritual preparation. **Please consult with the Church before confirming your Reception Venue to ensure it is available. If you are planning your Marriage in another Church or Country and live in the Parish of Holy Family, then the paperwork must be completed here and will be forwarded to the Church of the Marriage. a minimum of 6 months is required for this process. (Fee applicable).**







# Journey in Faith RCIA

It is the duty of all Catholics to spread the word about the Good News that Jesus died to save us and rose again to bring us the hope of Eternal Life.

We are delighted to welcome anyone who is not a Catholic to join us at Holy Family parish. This includes those who have not been Baptised, and those who are Baptised members of some other Christian community.

The right and proper time to **Baptise adults is at the Easter Vigil each year which takes place on Holy Saturday just before Easter Sunday.** They receive the **Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion** at the same service.

It is also possible to receive adults who have already been Baptised into a recognized Christian Community, into **Full Communion with the Catholic Church** at the same event or when they are thought by the Parish Priest and the Catechists to be fully prepared throughout the year. They will also receive the **Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion** as well.

The Church invites such people to join a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) by becoming members of what we refer to as the JOURNEY IN FAITH group, or JIF.

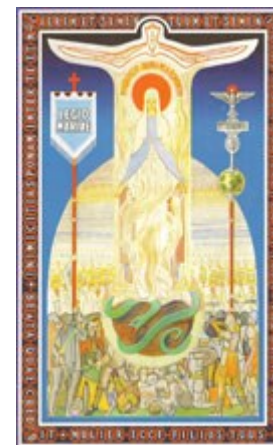
This consists of a few catechists, and Fr Eugene and Deacon Don come to our meetings from time to time. We meet on **Thursday evenings from 7:30pm to 9pm in the Lady Chapel in Holy Family Church**, for prayer, bible reading and a talk or discussion about some aspect of Catholic belief or practice, as well as a drink and biscuit. Because there is a lot to talk about **we begin to meet in November 2023 and carry on meeting after Easter until around Pentecost, although we normally break for school holidays.**

**For more information: Contact Fr Eugene  
(0117 9081247)**

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# Legion of Mary



## *What and who are we?*

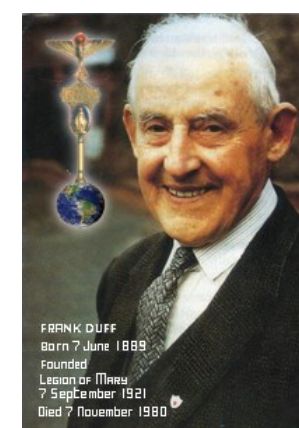
The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland, on 7th September 1921. It is a lay Catholic organization whose members are giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country. A unit of the Legion of Mary is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting, where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussion. Hence in Holy Family parish, there is a praesidium of the Legion of Mary called *Our Lady House of Gold*.

## *What do we offer?*

A weekly prayer meeting is held on a **Tuesday evening at 19:00 in the Lady Chapel**. During these meetings the rosary is said as well as prayers offered for the intentions of the parish. Members also discuss ways in which they may be able to assist in the wider parish community.

**Prayer Intentions:** A book is located in the lady chapel to allow parishioners to request prayer intentions. We also host tea and cake in the parish hall after 11am Mass in the 3rd Sunday of every month to allow parishioners to meet and get to know us and us them.

Members are also making themselves available to assist the priests and other groups within the parish wherever and whenever possible.





# The Society of St Vincent de Paul



The Society of St Vincent de Paul is an organization that tries to help people in need. It was started 175 years ago by young students, not content to just talk about Christian charity but to put it into action through person to person contact. In England and Wales last year, its members made around 600,000 recorded visits, being the hands and feet of Christ in our community.

Although much of the SVP's work involves visiting the elderly and housebound, its activities go way beyond. They collect furniture that would otherwise go to landfill, repairing it and distributing it to families, protecting the planet and helping families to cope. There is an expanding programme of Community Shops on housing estates, providing low income families with affordable clothing and furniture. The SVP organizes Camps for children who would not otherwise have a holiday and can even offer a limited number of family holidays. The SVP in England and Wales is twinned to India, Sudan, Grenada, Guyana and Rumania.



The Holy Family SVP group meets every other **Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm in the Lady Chapel of the Church, to pray and to plan visits to people in the area.** During Advent each year the parish collects goods and food which are arranged into hampers to be distributed to the most needy in time for Christmas. *See Parish Newsletter for the date of the next meeting.*

For more information contact-

Deacon Don Cramer-Barnicoat 0117 9698124

Martin Amegashitsi 07788157828

Or Fr Eugene 0117 9081247



# Liturgical Matters



To allow the celebration of Mass, and all other liturgical services, to take place in the parish, a number of ministries and activities must take place and the tasks have to be performed by parish members. If you can help in any of these areas, or know of anyone else who can, please contact the person named, or Fr Eugene.

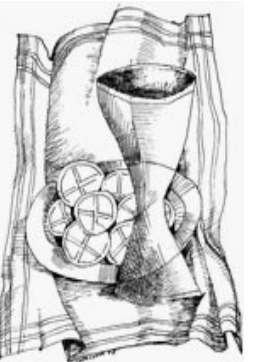


## READERS

At each Mass, and sometimes at other services, we need people to read sacred scriptural passages and prayers such as bidding prayers. This vitally important role in the life of the parish needs a large number of people to volunteer and we have a reader's Rota for each of the 3 weekend Masses. *If you would like to be a Reader at Mass, then please contact Fr Eugene or Deacon Don. Training can be given. If you were a Reader in your previous Parish, you should be able to fit in right away.*

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS *At the moment we are not using Eucharistic Ministers except if exceptional circumstances.*

This role is to help the priest to distribute the body and blood of Christ at Mass. As well as taking Holy Communion to those who are housebound or in hospital. This is a 'special' ministry and training will be given and those in this ministry will be 'commissioned'. *Eucharistic Ministers will be required to undertake a DBS check (previously CRB check), or sign a Safeguarding declaration.*



*If you would like to be a Eucharistic Minister at Mass, then please contact Fr Eugene or Deacon Don. Training can be given. As with readers, we need many ministers and there is a rota for this as well.*

## ALTAR SERVERS

Once past their First Holy Communion, young members of the parish are invited to consider becoming Altar Servers, to assist the priest at Mass. Albs and training are given and servers are welcome to serve any Masses, both at weekends and during the week. Once they have



completed one year of serving they are invited to join the Archconfraternity of the Guild of St Stephen at the Altar Server's Mass which takes place each year on the Feast of St Stephen, 26th December.

*Altar servers of 18 years above may be subject to a DBS check (previously CRB check).*



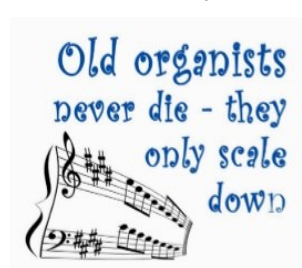
# Parish Finance Committee

## CHOIR

We have a choir which sings at the **11am Mass each Sunday**, as well as at Christmas, Holy Week and Easter, and at other important parish events. **The choir meets regularly for practice**, and we are always looking for new members. If you are interested, please contact the organist, **Teresa Pembury on 0117 9492121**.

## ORGANISTS & MUSICIANS

We are very grateful that we have a number of organists and musicians in our parish, but we can always do with more. If you are musical and would like to use your talent for the good of our liturgy, then **contact**



**Teresa Pembury 0117 9492121**

**Parish Organist: Teresa Pembury 0117 9492121**

CHOIR

## CHURCH CLEANING

Nobody likes to go into a grubby church! We are always happy to see new members to help. If you can spare an hour on a Friday evening, you would be very welcome to join the friendly group of people who try to make the church look its best. **email [Bristol.holyfamily@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:Bristol.holyfamily@cliftondiocese.com)** to be put in contact with the organizer. Becky Thornton-Smith.



## CHURCH FLOWERS

Many people comment on how nice the church looks, and in particular on the flowers. The Flower Group are always looking for willing volunteers, if you would like to help in this area, please contact **Anna on 0117 9691869**. *Donations to the cost of the flowers are always welcomed.*



Every parish is required, under Canon Law, to establish a Finance Committee, whose members must comprise:

The Parish Priest

Any Assistant Priest or Deacons

At least 3 lay Catholics, one of whom will hold the office of Parish Treasurer

- ♦ The advisory duties of the Finance Committee are many and varied, and include the following –
- ♦ Consideration of capital expenditure projects, with reference to tenders and quotes.
- ♦ Suggestion and consideration of fund-raising activities, and exploration of other sources of income.
- ♦ Suggestion and consideration of cost-saving measures.
- ♦ Ongoing comparison of actual expenditure against budget to ensure that objects are prioritised.
- ♦ Compliance with HM Revenue & Customs regulations.
- ♦ Maintenance of proper accounting records, culminating in the presentation of the Annual Parish Financial Return to the Diocesan Finance Board.
- ♦ Convening of at least 4 minuted meetings a year.





# Parish Pastoral Council

(Concerning Parish Pastoral Councils) ‘ In this council, which is presided over by the parish priest, Christ’s faithful, together with those who by virtue of their office are engaged in pastoral care in the parish, give their help in fostering pastoral action. The Pastoral Council had only a consultative vote, and it is regulated by the norms laid down by the diocesan Bishop.’ *Code of Canon Law, 1983, Canon 536.*

*The lay faithful should be working in the parish with the priests, bringing the own and the world’s questions of human need to be examined through general Council’s mention of pastoral problems ‘by ought to find its development through extensive and decided appreciation for Parish Pastoral Councils. (Pope John Paul II, 1988, The Vocation and the Mission of the Lay Faithful in the Church and the World (Christifideles Laici), para 27.*

Holy Family has a Parish Pastoral Council which meets as required but approximately every three months or so to discuss matters that help to move the parish forward as a pastoral organisation.

The meetings are usually on a weekday evening at 7:00pm and try to finish by 9pm.

The meetings are advertised by Fr Eugene at Mass and in the newsletter and are open to all members of the parish.

Please come to these meetings and contribute to the life of the parish.

*Watch out in the Parish Newsletter for the next meeting.*



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# Children's Liturgy

**WHEN WE HAVE ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS ~ it takes place weekly during the SUNDAY 11am MASS (Term Time Only)**



Children's Liturgy is for children of Primary School age 4-7yrs (until they join the First Communion programme) who attend the **11am Sunday Mass**. *We ask that they children are in the Church for the beginning of Mass, so as to take part in the Rite of Welcome and the*

*Penitential Rite.*

They are invited to leave the church before the Gloria and go into the hall with catechists for their own version of the Liturgy of the Word.

They rejoin the congregation after the bidding prayers to take part in the Offertory Procession.

To make this work we need a number of catechists who prepare and lead the sessions.

*If you would like more information or to volunteer to pass on your faith to our children as a catechist.*

**email: [bristol.holyfamily@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bristol.holyfamily@cliftondiocese.com)**

**AT THIS TIME WE ARE REBUILDING A TEAM  
~ KEEP AN EYE ON THE PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR DEVELOPMENTS**

*The Parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.*

*Volunteers will be required to undertake an DBS check.*

