

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C
17TH AUGUST 2025: Mass Time

Sunday 17th August	11:00 AM	TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Reywena Velez Soroño R.I.P
Tuesday 19th August	9:30 AM	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Corazon Veracruz +
Sunday 24th August	11:00 AM	TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ralph Couldridge +

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession

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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St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton

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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Readings	:	Sunday Mass Cycle C: Ordinary Time Week 20 Year 1.
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter 4 (or at Priest Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
First Reading	:	Jeremiah 38 : 4-6, 8-10
Psalms Response	:	LORD, make haste to help me!
Second Reading	:	Hebrews 12: 1-4
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them, they follow me. Alleluia.
Gospel	:	Luke 12: 49-53
Communion Antiphon	:	With the Lord there is mercy; In him is plentiful redemption.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

You bore me, a man of contention to the whole land.

2nd Reading

Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.

Gospel

I have not come to give peace but division.

My spiritual director of the Blessed Memory, the Late Msgr Sylvester Osigweh once said, "If you don't want trouble, don't do good. But if you don't do good, of what use are you"?

This sums up the story of Jeremiah this Sunday. He got into trouble because he dared to do good. He spoke the truth in defence of justice. Justice for the poor and oppressed. What follows it was a conspiracy to have him condemned and thrown down the miry pit. But that was not the end of the story; he was vindicated through one just man, Ebed-Melech (A foreign Servant of the King).

Jeremiah symbolised the suffering of Christ, the just one, who would be condemned to death, but God would raise him up after three days in vindication of truth and justice.

Jesus says he has not come to bring peace that the world is comfortable with. His peace is the true peace that is founded on justice, making the unjust, uncomfortable.

If you want to do good; If you want to change the system for good; be ready to go through the baptism of fire. It won't be easy, but Truth and Justice will have the final victory.

Bible Alive Film Afternoon : 22nd August Friday

Join us for the final film of our summer season! The Bible Alive group will be showing the film *Jesus* at **2:15pm on Friday 22 August**. This inspiring Christian production is on an epic scale but not a Hollywood blockbuster, but featuring a large cast on a 300-foot stage, all filmed live in front of an audience.

We'll be gathering in the comfortable lounge at **Harry Garrett Court**, just across the road from the church car park (where parking is available). Doors open at 2:00pm, with hot drinks and cake served before the film.

Everyone is warmly welcome bring a friend along if you like!

If you plan to attend, please let **Diana** know on **0781 394 0076**.

Fr. Nnam on Sabbatical Leave

Please be informed that Fr. Nnam will be on sabbatical leave tentatively from **September 1st to December 1st, 2025**. During this time, he will be participating in charitable and missionary work in Africa, serving those in need and supporting the Church's mission. We ask that you keep Fr. Nnam in your prayers as he embarks on this important journey of service and spiritual renewal.

Sacrament of the Sick

Do you know someone in our parish who is sick or unable to leave their home? If they would like a visit from our parish priest or wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can call the parish office or send us an email. We want to make sure they feel supported and connected to our community.

Mission Masses at Clifton Diocese

During this Jubilee year of Hope, Missio will be celebrating three Mission Masses in our diocese. **The main diocesan celebration will be Mass with Bishop Bosco at 7pm on Tuesday 16 September at Holy Family Catholic Church, Southsea Road, Patchway, Bristol BS34 5DP.** Missio volunteers, Red Box supporters and the wider diocesan community are invited to join Bishop Bosco and Fr Anthony Chantry MHM (National Director of Missio England & Wales), along with Mill Hill Missionaries for this special celebration.

Two further Masses have been organised for September.

Tuesday, 9 September 7pm, St Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Church, Matson Lane, Matson, Gloucester GL4 6DT.

Thursday, 18 September 7pm, St Catharine's Catholic Church, Park Road, Frome, Somerset BA11 1EU.

If you'd like any more information or if you could help in any way at one of the Masses, **please email redbox@missio.org.uk**

TEA & COFFEE : Tea & Coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after mass on Sundays and Tuesdays.

PARKING: At busy times, such as Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public car park in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid blocking people's residence and shops.

PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Holder	Clifton Diocese
Account Number	66287375
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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 Joseph, Bridgewater / Our Lady & the English Martyrs, Burnham - on-Sea*

Pope's Message: *Throughout August, let us pray for mutual coexistence. Let us pray that the societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious ideological reasons.*