

**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C
24TH AUGUST 2025: Mass Time**

Sunday 24 th August	11:00 AM	TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ralph Couldridge +
Tuesday 26 th August	9:30 AM	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Lucia, Paul and Antonella THANKSGIVING
Sunday 31 st August	11:00 AM	TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Lilian Byrne R.I.P



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 21 Year 1.
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter 1 (or at Priest Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all day long.
First Reading	:	Isaiah 66: 18-21
Psalms Response	:	Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.
Second Reading	:	Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia. I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me. Alleluia.
Gospel	:	Luke 12: 49-53
Communion Antiphon	:	The world is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

They shall bring all your brothers from all the nations.

2nd Reading

The Lord disciplines the one he loves.

Gospel

People will come from east and west, and recline at the table in the kingdom of God.

I am sure you are familiar with reunions. It could be family reunion or that of old school friends and work colleagues. It feels great to be back to a place we once called home, residence, workplace and school. It does bring loads of interesting memories.

In the first reading this Sunday, Isaiah prophesies a great reunion. God initiates this reunion and hosts it. He gathers back all his scattered children from the ends of the earth.

The one who allowed humans to be confused in different tongues and languages, now gathers them that they may speak in one language of love.

Love is the essence. God prunes with care those he loves. Sometimes, he scatters us, allows us to stray, that he might gather us to himself.

In the Eucharist Prayer III, we pray thus, "In your compassion, O Merciful Father, gather to yourself, all your children scattered throughout the world."

Jesus was asked question about who would he saved? It is like asking about those who would attend the great reunion. Will my family be there? My best friends? Neighbours? What about enemies? But Jesus says it is not our business to know who would be saved. Our business is to make sure we ourselves are saved. Will you be there? Will you invite others?

CLIFTON DIOCESAN ANNUAL FORMATION DAY

The Clifton Diocesan Annual Formation Day will take place on **Saturday 11 October at St. Brendan's College, Brislington**, with Mgr John Armitage (Parish Priest, Former Rector of the National Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham and Master of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom) as our keynote speaker. He will be reflecting on the theme of '**Being an Evangelist Today: the tools required to be a joyful witness of Jesus**'. To register for the day, please follow the Eventbrite link: <https://diocesanformationday.eventbrite.co.uk>

MISSION MASSES IN THE 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.**

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PHOTOS

If your child received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation **at Holy Family**, the photos are now available for collection. Donations are gratefully accepted.

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.

CAFOD: Response in Gaza

Your donations to Gaza since the start of the conflict have been a vital lifeline. Right now, CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, is delivering essential medical treatment to displaced people and providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. We have helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and we are currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, CAFOD's local partners are working tirelessly to help people. And with your ongoing support, they will do all in their power to keep doing so. You can find out more about how you can make a difference in Gaza at cafod.org.uk. Thank you for backing our work through holding collections for our Family Fast Day appeals and for continuing to [pray for peace](#) in the Middle East.

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
Sort Code	52-10-03

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: *Cathedral Church of St Peter and St Paul, Clifton, Bristol.*

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.*