

**TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A
20TH SEPTEMBER 2026: Mass Time**

Sunday 20 TH SEPTEMBER	11:00 AM	TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Krystyna Tworek +
Tuesday 22 ND SEPTEMBER	9:30 AM	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Private Intention



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: 01793630627**

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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 Ordinary Time Week 24 -Year 2
Eucharistic Prayer	:	Psalter 1 (Proper of Season or Priest Choice)
Entrance Antiphon	:	I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them and I will be their Lord for ever,
First Reading	:	Isaiah 55: 6-9
Psalm Response	:	The Lord is close to all who call him.
Second Reading	:	Philippians 1:20-24,27
Gospel Acclamation	:	Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, That we may pay attention to the words of your Son. Alleluia!
Gospel	:	Matthew 20: 1-16
Communion Antiphon	:	You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; May my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

2nd Reading

For to me to live is Christ..

Gospel

Do you begrudge my generosity?

A Message from Fr. Nnam Di Obi

Often, I have tried defining God's love. No word could adequately express it. The love of God has no measure when it comes to human standards.

The parable of the landowner and his generosity to his workers, especially the late comers, beats the human sense of justice and work ethics. But our thoughts are far from God's thoughts, and our ways are far from his.

But all the acts of God are meant to teach us. We do not have to understand the length and breadth of it all to follow his ways.

Unfortunately, we often prefer to follow and settle for the standard of the world. Fair enough. But remember, our virtues must go beyond that of the Scribes and the Pharisees. We are called to be more in order to do more.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Offertory Collections : 13TH SEPTEMBER

Weekly Collection: £ 252.68

Weekly Offering

We encourage parishioners, where possible, to consider supporting the parish through a direct debit or standing order. This method of giving can also enable us to claim Gift Aid, increasing your donation at no extra cost to you. One-off donations are, of course, also very welcome.

SECOND COLLECTION today 20TH SEPTEMBER: BISHOP'S CONFERENCE
NEXT SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER: THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST PAUL

THE MISSION APPEAL: The Missionary Society of St. Paul will make the mission appeal on 26th and 27th September. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. Please support them generously.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA IN HOLY ROOD CHURCH: All are warmly invited to come and see this beautiful statue and to spend time in prayer and devotion before Our Lady of Fatima and the relics of the young shepherd saints Jacinta and Francisco on Saturday 3rd October from 12:30pm until Sunday 4th October departing after the 11:00am Mass.

PRESBYTERY FURNITURE: The Presbytery is currently being cleared of furniture in preparation for being let. If anyone is interested in any of the furniture, please contact the Parish Office for further details.

CARE FOR CREATION– Clouts Wood Visit: Our Care for Creation group has arranged a short guided tour of Clouts Wood with Wiltshire Wildlife Trust on **Friday 18 September at 6pm**. The walk will last no more than one hour, and bat detectors will be available. If you would like to join us, please contact Steve at steveaftelak@gmail.com.

CARE FOR CREATION: Fairtrade Fortnight takes place from Monday, 21st September to Sunday, 4th October. The annual event highlights the challenges faced by farmers and workers in developing nations and encourages each of us to "Do it Fair," by buying Fairtrade products at our supermarket or local store.

CLIFTON CATHEDRAL: On 26th and 27th September the National Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the relics of St Jacinta and St Francisco will be visiting Clifton Cathedral. Poster is on the parish notice board for more information.

VOCATION RETREAT DAY: This will take place at St Mary on Quay, Bristol, on Saturday 10th October. For any enquiries regarding this event please contact: bristolcatholicwomen@gmail.com

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.

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

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: St. Mary, Bath.

Pope's Message: The Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of September is for The Care for Water.

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.