



A warm welcome to all who gather today  
around the Altar of the Lord in our parishes of  
**Saint John the Baptist**  
&  
**Saint Bernadette**  
Working in Communion for Mission  
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## Third Sunday of Easter - 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022

**"It  
is  
the  
Lord!"**



**Sunday Scripture Thoughts:** Before his crucifixion, Peter had denied Jesus three times. Following his resurrection, Jesus asked this same man, who had denied him three times and so exposed his own weaknesses and sinfulness, "Do you love me?" We must note especially that Christ asked him only "Do you love me?" He was not inquiring into what happened in Peter's past. Peter's future was not being determined by the events of his past. We often think that events from the past, whether from faults or failures or misfortunes, have determined our lives. Of course, the facts of the past are real. The stains in our lives are stains. We can't go back and erase the past. But, the really important thing for us, and for Christ, is whether we love Christ now.

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Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	St John's	6pm	Vigil Mass	Fr. Vincent Flanagan (RD)
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	St Bernadette's	9am	Third Sunday of Easter	Len and Joy Howe (Ann)
	St John's	10.30am 12 noon		Margaret Graham People of the Parishes
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	St John's	9am	Saint Athanasius	Private Intention
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	St John's	6pm	St's Philip & James	Tracey Glynn (Ann)
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	St John's	9am	English Martyrs	Holy souls
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	St Bernadette's	10am	Weekday of Easter	Special Intention
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	St John's	6pm	Weekday of Easter	Clifton Benefactors
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	St John's	12noon	Weekday of Easter	
		6pm	Vigil Mass	
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	St Bernadette's	9am	Fourth Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes
	St John's	10.30am 12noon		Marzena Skoszek (Sick) Private Intention

KEY: SI = Special Intention RD=Recently Deceased ANN=Anniversary BD Birthday. D'ed=Deceased. Confessions Saturdays 5.15-5.45pm

☪ **In our Prayers this Week...** Sick: Please for those who are sick: John Streeter, Stephen Marsh. Cecily Geldart, Maureen Watson, Antony Higgins, Noreen Leat, Anne Whitehead, Wally Gooding, Mary Berridge, John Mirren, If you are sick and wish your name to be added to the prayer list, then please let Fr. Tom know. If you know of anyone who wishes to be added, then again, please let Fr. Tom know.

**Recently Deceased:** Mary Louise Scammell, Anne Ryder, Brian Tanner

**Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal:** The situation in Ukraine is one we cannot ignore. As Lent begins, we're all shocked by the situation unfolding in Ukraine. People are separating from their loved ones and fleeing the country, simply to survive. CAFOD'S sister organisation, Caritas Ukraine, and other Caritas agencies in neighbouring countries, are already on the ground helping people affected by this conflict. Caritas Ukraine has

19 centres across the country. They are extremely experienced, having been active for 30 years and have been responding to the conflict in eastern Ukraine since 2014. Caritas Poland, Caritas Romania and Caritas Moldova are all supporting people who have fled Ukraine and are in need of food, water, shelter and means to continue their journeys to safety. Whatever you can give today will help us reach more families with urgent assistance. Your support today will have a direct impact on the people of Ukraine. You can donate today directly on the CAFOD website. <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>

**Prayer for Peace:** Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength, and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world, that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

**Evening Prayer at Clifton Cathedral:** Bishop Declan invites every parish to an evening liturgy at Clifton Cathedral on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm when he will also present Clifton's Synod report to each parish. Please let Fr. Tom know if you wish to attend.

**Celebration of Marriage:** Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 2 July (12 noon) and is inviting all married couples to join him. He will send a personal invitation to those couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries during 2022 or those who will marry during this year. If you are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th anniversary during 2022 or getting married this year please email ([adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com)) so that a personal invitation can be sent out, leaving details of your names, address, and the number of years you are both celebrating.

**Sharing the Journey:** An opportunity for catechists to be renewed and refreshed by taking part in a series of online conversations with a variety of speakers from around the country. Each speaker will offer their own insights into different aspects of catechesis and evangelisation, followed by time to discuss, comment and share ideas. Our remaining speakers & dates are: Thursday 19 May: Supporting people in our parishes who present with intellectual difficulties – Cristina Gangemi Thursday 16 June: Being a Catechist – David Wells Thursday 14 July: Formation of the Heart – Raymond Friel. All are welcome to join, including anyone who is interested in this area of ministry but not yet involved. The conversations will take place on Microsoft Teams, 7.30pm – 8.45pm. To register your interest please contact: [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com). A Microsoft Teams invitation will be sent out a day before each session.

**First Holy Communion Preparation Mass:** All children and their parents getting ready for First Holy Communion in June are invited to a celebration of Mass on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 6pm.

**Childrens Rosary:** Childrens Rosary will continue on Sunday mornings at 9.45am in the parish centre. All welcome.

**Foundation Governors:** Do you have a passion for Catholic Education and wish to play a substantive role ensuring that the teachings of the Church play a fundamental role in our Catholic Schools? If so, then there are Foundation Governor places available to be filled at St. John's Catholic Primary School. If you are interested and wish to know more, then please contact [chair@st-johns-trowbridge.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:chair@st-johns-trowbridge.wilts.sch.uk) or leave contact details at the school 01225752006.

**Cally Todd Walking the Camino in aid of Dorothy House Hospice:** Before the March 2020 COVID lockdown, retired Dorothy House Doctor Cally Todd (parishioner at St. Johns) had planned to walk 500 miles of the Camino Way to Santiago de Compostela. Well, the walk is back on! Cally will begin the journey on Easter Sunday 2022 and you can support Dorothy House Hospice by sponsoring her by calling 01225 721480 or by visiting [www.justgiving.com/CallyCamino700](http://www.justgiving.com/CallyCamino700) Thank you.

**Trowbridge Food Bank:** As always, a massive thankyou to all who have contributed to the Trowbridge Foodbank Collection each month. In these uncertain days, many people rely on your generosity. The next collection will take place on the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> May. Please leave you donated goods in the Church Porch at St. Johns and St. Bernadette's. Many thanks again.

**300 Club Membership:** If you wish to join the 300 Club, please ask Fr. Tom for an application form. They are also available on the parish Website. Thank you. April winners as follows £200 14 Wendy Carruthers £70 34 Pat Waylen £50 66 Barbara Cherniachowicz £10 274 Samantha McCrindle.

**With Sadness:** It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Brian Tanner last week. His Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 12noon at St. Bernadette's Westbury. We keep Brian and his family in our prayers. May he rest in peace.

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