

# ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, Brockworth

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	<b>SUNDAY MASS:</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Jozef Liptak RIP
<b>WEEKDAY</b>	Monday	NO MASS—BANK HOLIDAY!!	
<b>MASSES:</b>	Tuesday	9.15am	St Augustine of Canterbury Holy Souls RIP
	Wednesday	NO MASS	
	Thursday	9.15am	ASCENSION DAY—Holyday of Obligation The Parish
	Friday	NO MASS	
	Saturday	NO MASS	

*CONFESSIONS: after Mass upon Request.*

**Baptism** -This Sunday we welcome into the Church family Italia Frances Kerrigan. She will be baptised today at 11pm. Please remember her and her family in your prayers at this very special time

**THURSDAY** we celebrate the *Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord into Paradise*— a HOLYDAY of OBLIGATION when we try to attend Mass at 9.15am.

**St Wulstan Pastoral Area Pilgrim Visit to Clifton Cathedral and St Mary's Hawkesbury:** Transport has been organised to enable Parishioners to visit the beautiful rural Church of St Mary's Hawkesbury, then on to Clifton Cathedral to reflect at the Pilgrim Stations there before celebrating a Vigil Mass for Ascension at 5.00pm and the journey home at 5.45pm. Coach will pick up at 12.45pm from St Peter's Gloucester, 1.00pm from Tuffley Lane. Booking form at the back of church, £8.50 adults £3 children under 16, payment in cash on the coach. Please try & have the right money available. Fr Gerry Walsh (Matson and Tuffley), along with three others will be walking a seven day pilgrimage on the Saint Wulstan Southern Way beginning in Worcester on Thursday May 22nd and ending in Clifton Cathedral on Wednesday May 28th. We will welcome Fr Gerry and fellow walkers to the 6.00pm mass next Saturday and see them off on the next stage of the pilgrimage after the 9.00am mass next Sunday. For more information and details of how to participate in part of this Pilgrimage Walk, please visit the St Wulstan Pastoral Area website on <https://saintwulstan.org.uk/>

**Foundation Governors:** Across our Diocese of Clifton, there is a considerable shortage of Foundation Governors to help lead our schools. In response to this, Bishop Bosco has issued a letter to all parishioners, appealing for volunteers to become Foundation Governors. Please take a copy of the letter home with you. It is also available on the parish website. More information on being a Foundation Governor can be found on the Diocesan Schools and Colleges Department website <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/governance> where you can also view a special promotional video produced to appeal for more Foundation Governors.

**Thy Kingdom Come:** Gloucester Cathedral in partner-

ship with the Christian Leader's Network invite you to Celebrate, Worship and Pray Together for the City of Gloucester Saturday May 31st in Gloucester Cathedral, please pick up an invitation card from the back of the church. Further details on [www.pray4gloucester.uk](http://www.pray4gloucester.uk)

**The Vocation of the Catechist:** Have you ever thought about becoming a catechist or does the idea of taking on such a role fill you with dread? The Diocesan Department of Adult Education and Evangelisations is hosting a short online presentation on Monday June 23rd at 7.00pm for anyone who is simply curious about the role, or for those who are keen but worried that they might not have what it takes and for those who would like to understand more about the vocation of the catechist. If you would like to participate then please email [adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com) so that a Teams link can be sent.

**Flat roof replacement** - The leaking flat roof over the narthex and corridor in our church has been repaired numerous times over the years and is now in desperate need of full replacement. With Parish Finance Committee and Diocese approval, we have accepted one of the six quotes obtained and the work starts on 1 June. The total cost will be £28,500. It will be initially paid for out of our very small parish reserve but we will need to do some urgent, targeted fundraising to replenish our emergency fund. We are awaiting the outcome of a small grant application to the Benefact Trust but are keen to pursue other large scale fundraising initiatives. If anyone in the parish has experience with this or would like to submit suggestions about alternative fundraising ideas please speak to Deacon Barry. Once the roof is secure, we can look at internal decoration and bring our church back up to its beautiful best. As always, thank you for your support.