

## HOLY WEEK

23RD – 27TH MAR, 30TH - 31ST MAR

CONFESSION

@ 11:00am -12:00pm

**Confessors:** Frs. Sanjeeb & Joseph

MON TO WED OF HOLY WEEK

EVENING ADORATION

@ 7:00pm - 8:00pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

@ 8:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY

STATIONS OF THE CROSS @ 11am  
PASSION OF THE LORD @ 3pm

HOLY SATURDAY

EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

@ 8:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

@ 10:30am & 5:15pm

EASTER MONDAY

RESURRECTION BRING AND SHARE

9am - 4pm

MASS @ 12:15pm

**Total Collection: £801.70 Others: £335.75**

**1st Collection: £345.33 2nd Collection: £120.62**

### EMCS FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 15TH MARCH

Saturday	6.15pm	Chris Mahoney
Sunday	10.30am	Lizy Joseph, Calum, Roque, James Hackett, Alexander
	5.15pm	Vivian Delatorre & Athena Segundina

### READERS FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 22ND MARCH

Saturday	6.15pm	Stephanie/Emmanuelle
Sunday	10.30am	Angelo & Eniko Jakab
	5.15pm	Angela Dela Llana

### ALTAR SERVERS FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 15TH MARCH

Saturday	6.15pm	Chris Mahoney
Sunday	10.30am	Livia, Daniel, Zoe, Brooke, Gabriel, John Paul,
		Joshua, Imandi & Sarah
	5.15pm	

### From the Parish Register



## ST. MARY ON THE QUAY

Under the Care of Divine Word Missionaries

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**Parish Priest:** Fr. Sanjeeb Xaxa SVD **Assistant Priest:** Fr. Joseph Mensah SVD

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday to Friday: 10.00am - 1.00pm

**Church Opening Hours:** Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.00pm

Saturday: 10.00am to 7.00pm

Sunday: 9.00am to 6.30pm

**Child Protection Reps:**

James Hackett & Roque Rodrigues

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*15th Mar 2026 – Fourth Sunday of Lent – Year A*



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### REFLECTION

Dear parishioners, Friends and Visitors, welcome to St Mary on the Quay. This Sunday the Church celebrates **Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare, (Rejoicing Sunday).**

The immense faith and courage of both Mary and Joseph in being willing to take responsibility for the coming child and provide a home for him is striking. Mary believed the angel and accepted willingly God's will. Joseph also had to commit himself to an unknown future, taking care of them both, including any shame and gossip involved. After centuries of waiting for the fulfilment of the promise of the Messiah, it must have been mind-blowing at the human level to find they were to be the instruments of this Divine intervention in human history. But the immediate practicalities took over and the full meaning would only gradually reveal itself. Mary went to visit and help her cousin Elizabeth, who had also received a startling message. God may sometimes ask of us a task which overwhelms us, but he also provides help and support and the strength and courage to embrace it. Joy and suffering go hand in hand, but 'Emmanuel' means 'God is with us.'



Mass Intentions Week Commencing 15th – 21st Mar, 2026

Sunday 15th	10.30 am	Remedio Rodrigues Joven Luis Rosario	Thanksgiving (Birthday) Thanksgiving (Birthday)
	05.15pm	Nicholas Shatti	Private Intention
Monday 16th	12.15pm	For all the priests in our diocese	
Tuesday 17th	12.15pm	Imelda	Private Intention
Wednesday 18th	12.15pm	Imelda	Private Intention
Thursday 19th	12.15pm	Edwin Thompson Souls in Purgatory	RIP RIP
Friday 20th	12.15pm	Stanley Coles	RIP
Saturday 21st	12.15pm	Sherry Joseph	Special Intention
	06.15pm	Gerard Bray	Spiritual Help

*We pray for the sick in the Parish and those known to us.*

**Mass Time:** Week Days: 12.15pm ( Monday to Saturday )

**Sunday Masses:**

Saturday: 6.15pm ( **Sunday Vigil Mass** )

Sunday: 10.30am ( **Choir** ) & 5.15pm ( **Choir** )

**Mass on Holy Days of Obligation:** 12.15pm & 5.30pm

**Confessions:** Monday to Saturday 11.30am to 12.00pm

**Baptisms:** If you are planning to baptise your child please contact the Parish Office for more information or speak to a priest after the mass.

**Marriage Preparation:** Any couple from our parish who are intending getting married in the Catholic Church are asked to note that the Church requires **at least six months notice prior to their wedding date**. Couples need to speak to a priest so as to fill out the forms and also participate in a Marriage Preparation course. Kindly, view the guidelines on our website before making any arrangements. <https://www.stmaryonthequay.com/rc-marriage>

**This Sunday's Readings at Mass**

**Parish Mass Book Page 164 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)**

**First Reading:** 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a  
**Psalm: 23** "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."  
**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5:8-14  
**Gospel:** John 9:1-41



**The Creeds**

The Nicene Creed can be found on page 11 of the Parish Mass Book.  
 The Apostles' Creed can be found on page 12 of the Parish Mass Book.

**PARISH NEWS**

**ONE HOUR ADORATION WITH FR. JOSEPH:** At Gethsemane, Jesus Christ travailed in prayer and he prevailed. Eucharistic Adoration is "God and Man reaching out for each other, at the same time! (Anonymous) **"Keep watch and pray**, so that you will not give in to temptation. For the spirit is willing, but the body is weak! (Matt 26:40-41). Come join us to **watch and pray!** Starting from **Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week at 7pm.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Throughout the Season of Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross **every Tuesday at 7pm and every Friday after the 12.15pm Mass**. You are welcome to come and join us as we take this walk-stopping at each station for prayer and meditation. This can be a moving experience for individuals or families. Please plan to prayerfully participate in this very personal walk with Jesus. **Come, just as you are.**

**PARISH MASS BOOK:** At the moment, we have one set of parish mass books for Cycle C, and we need 5 sets for Cycles A, B, and C. One copy is costing £4.95. We are seeking your generous contribution to acquire Parish Mass Books for our church.

**TEA AND COFFEE AFTER 10:30AM MASS:** Tea and Coffee will be served on **Sunday 15th March after the 10:30am Mass**. Kindly take note.

**SUPPORTING THE PARISH:** We spend a lot of money to run our church every day, so we need your help to run our beautiful Parish. If you use online banking and are able to set up direct debit or standing order which would be a big support for the Church, below is our Parish Bank Account details:

CLIFTON DIOCESE RE PARISH OF ST MARY ON THE QUAY, BRISTOL

Account Number: 66286573

Sort Code: 52-10-03

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