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Church of the Holy Ghost, Yeovil

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Served by the Missionaries of Saint Francis de Sales (Fransalians - MSFS)

Priests: Fr Sujith John Pallassery MSFS; Fr Jose Maliekal MSFS

Priests resident in the Parish: Fr David O'Regan

Parish Administrator: Sue Chant (Monday, Wednesday and Friday
9am - 12:30pm).

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Margaret Gulliver and The
Diocesan Safeguarding Office can be contacted at 0117-954 0993.

CONFESSIONS: 4.15pm - 4.45pm on Saturday, before & after Mass on request.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: On request. Please inform one of the clergy if
you are going into hospital. If possible, please seek anointing beforehand.

BAPTISMS: By appointment. Adults seeking to know more about the Catho-
lic Faith should speak to the Parish Priest, and/or come to the Journey in Faith
(RCIA) sessions.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Six months notice for weddings.

HOLY ORDERS: Any man considering a vocation to the Priesthood or Per-
manent Diaconate should speak to one of the clergy.

PARKING AT HOLY GHOST: The Car Park in the Marian Hall is
controlled so that there is no improper use that does not pertain to the
Parish. At this time, parking is not controlled during the times of
advertised Masses and Services.

Mass and Service Times for the week ahead

Saturday 7 January - Saturday after Epiphany

09:30am	1 st Anniversary of Fr Peter Clarke RIP (F & M Brennan) <i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	Holy Ghost
5:00pm	Kenneth Francis	Holy Ghost

Sunday 8 January - **FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

9:00am	RIP Steve Till (F & M Brennan)	St Michael's
10:30am	RIP Neil Bottrell (Mrs Hope Bottrell)	Holy Ghost
6:30pm	RIP Teresa Novak (Rowland Family)	Holy Ghost

Monday 9 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time

09:30am	RIP Johnny M A & for All Souls ((Ambili Johnny) Thanksgiving Mass for Alfie Joseph	Holy Ghost
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Tuesday 10 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time

09:30am	Helen Bruce (Adele)	Holy Ghost
6:30pm	Birthday Sivana Maria Sabin (Sabin & Fly)	Holy Ghost

Wednesday 11 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time

09:30am	Thanksgiving Saleem Shaik & Family (Bency Thoundassery) RIP Paddy Murphy (Michael Novak) 5th Wedding Anniversary Sabin & Aleena Mathew	Holy Ghost
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Thursday 12 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time

09:30am	RIP Nicky Dillon Birthday and Wedding Day Anniversary (John Dillon)	St Michael's
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Friday 13 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time

09:30am	RIP Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI	Holy Ghost
6:00pm	Adoration	
7:00pm	RIP Fr Noel Rebello MSFS	Holy Ghost

Saturday 14 January - Our Lady on Saturday

09:30am	Jessica Linit Birthday Thanksgiving (Manu Linit) <i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	Holy Ghost
5:00pm	Anne-Marie Worth (Daughter) & Family (D & M Want)	Holy Ghost

Sunday 15 January - **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00am	Intentions of the Parish	St Michael's
10:30am	RIP Theresa Novak (Mrs Hope Bottrell)	Holy Ghost
2:00pm	Mass in Malayalam	
6:30pm	Gulliver Family Thanksgiving & for a Special Intention (Margaret Gulliver)	Holy Ghost

Mass in Polish is every Sunday at 4:30pm at Holy Ghost. All services at Holy Ghost are available on livestream at <https://www.churchservices.tv/yeovil>.

Wishing you all a Happy & Prosperous New Year: We are still in the Christmas season. Let's live out the joy of Christmas in our daily lives. It was my first Christmas with you at Yeovil. I thoroughly enjoyed the celebrations. **May I once again wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.**

BIG Thanks: I gratefully remember all who have helped us to celebrate a meaningful Christmas this year. It's the sacrifice from generous people that we see the outside decoration, Christmas tree beside the sanctuary, the nativity scene, the decorations inside the Church...Without naming anyone, I would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to you all. It shows that we love our parish Church.

Message from The Music Director: Sadly, the parish is no longer able to fund our highly professional organist, Robert Langston, at all the Sunday 10.30am masses. Some years ago, I had to resort to advertising for an organist when we had lost our talented volunteer organists either through death or because they could no longer routinely commit.

For this coming year, some members of the choir have clubbed together to make it possible for Robert to play once a month to accompany the choir. In addition, Robert has offered to continue playing when he can for the children's choir on the third Sunday on receipt of travel expenses.

We appreciate that money is very tight for everyone but if anyone would like to contribute so that Robert can play at another mass per month, please let me know. We are looking into other ways of raising funds including perhaps a concert. Please contact me on the following email address if you have any ideas: mla@ashbyweb.co.uk

First Holy Communion Reminder: Geraldine Rowland will send emails to all parents informing them of the 'parents meet' on 12th January at the Marian Hall. Thereafter Holy Communion lessons will be held every Thursday. The date of Holy Communion will be informed to you in due course. It will be around the second week of June. If you have not received a mail from Geraldine regarding the parents meeting, please let us know.

Faith into action with SVP in the parish of Holy Ghost

A member of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), John Ciereszko, will be giving a short address at Masses on 28th and 29th January to appeal for volunteers to form a new SVP conference at our Parish.

The SVP is a lay organisation that provides people the opportunity to put their faith into action by offering practical help and support to those in need, wherever there is need, and making a real difference to their lives.

Helping hand to the Homebound Friends: **If you know any parishioners who wish to be visited, please let me know.** From mid-January onwards, it is possible that Eucharistic Ministers could take Holy Communion to them, so that they feel they still belong to the Church and that the Church cares for them. Some of them wish to come to Church, but are unable to drive or have no transport; if some parishioners can take the lead to give a lift to them, it would be really appreciated. **I think SVP could be a great in helping the homebound.**

NOTE: Please note that the funeral at Yeovil Crematorium of Mary Keylock (Breda) RIP is at 10:00am on Monday 9th January 2023 with her body being received into the Church at 8:00pm on Sunday 8th January.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI RIP: Pope Benedict's funeral "an unshakable expression of faith and trust in the promises of Jesus," said Cardinal Nichols

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, speaking shortly after the Requiem Mass in St Peter's Square for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, described the funeral as in one way "a straightforward celebration of a Funeral Mass," in another way, a uniquely historical event "of great emotional depth and stature."

The Requiem Mass, presided over by Benedict's successor Pope Francis, took place on Thursday morning, 5 January, after almost 200,000 pilgrims had paid their final respects to the Pope Emeritus during a period of his lying in state for the previous three days.

Cardinal Nichols said he was collecting his memories of Pope Benedict during the Mass and considered his last homily before retiring as Pope. Further details can be found by clicking on this link: [Pope Benedict's funeral "an unshakable expression of faith and trust in the promises of Jesus," said Cardinal Nichols - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](https://www.cbcew.org.uk/news/pope-benedict-funeral-an-unshakable-expression-of-faith-and-trust-in-the-promises-of-jesus-said-cardinal-nichols)

Mass for Pope Benedict XVI at Clifton Cathedral: There will be a Diocesan Mass on Tuesday 10 January at 11:00am. All Parishioners are warmly invited to attend. May Pope Benedict Rest in Peace.



Pope's January Intentions: We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

We remember in our prayers: RIP Mary Keylock (Breda) who recently died. She will be received in the Church on 8th at **8:00pm**. Her funeral will take place at Yeovil Crematorium on Monday 9th January at **10:00am**. We pray for those of our family and friends who have recently passed away both in the Parish and elsewhere. May they rest in peace.

For peace in our world, and for the people of Ukraine & Russia.

Mass in Malayalam: Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 2.00pm.

Hire of the Marian Hall: Has now reopened for hire.

Parish Office: Open Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm

If you have any items for the Bulletin: please send to the Parish Office by email: yeovil.holyghost@cliftondiocese.com.