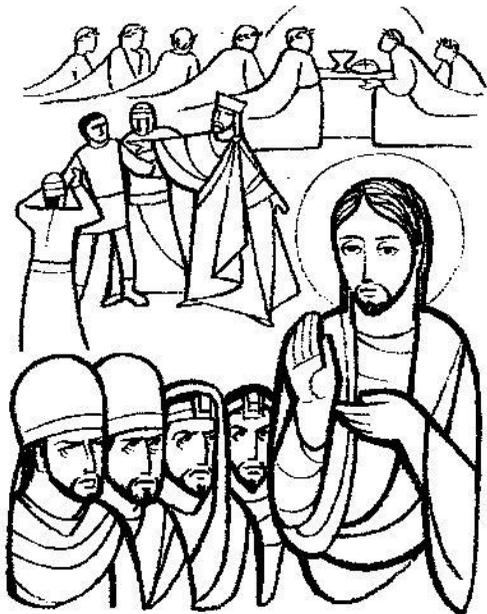


ParishNews



Blessed Sacrament Parish Heavitree Exeter

15 October 2017 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Psalter Week 4



The Church's year is drawing to a close; in a few weeks we will be thinking about the end of time – but here we have a preview. The parable of the banquet is a link between the Gospels of recent weeks (which have as their theme: 'Just who is going to be saved?') and the looking forward to the end times which will follow. The big danger is complacency: we are baptised, we go to church, we've got our invites to the wedding. But when the big day comes, will we be ready? Or will our thoughts be on other things? Jesus speaks of himself as the Bridegroom, and points out to the chosen people that they are in danger of missing the celebration. Our faith is that the Bridegroom will come again; let us be careful that the same parable is not addressed to us.

live simply

Livesimply is closely linked to Catholic Social Teaching (CST) and aims to demonstrate the link between our faith and action that helps to promote social justice. CST is authoritative Church teaching on social, political and economic issues. It is informed by Gospel values and the lived experience of Christian reflection. It is our moral compass, guiding us on how to live out our faith in the world. The main themes of CST include:

- Dignity of the human person
- Solidarity
- The Common Good
- Option for the poor
- Peace
- Creation and the environment
- Dignity of work and participation

If you would like to find out more about *livesimply*, please come along to the meeting on Friday, 27 October, 7pm, in the St Richard Reynolds Centre.

Plymouth Clergy Requiem

You are invited to join Bishop Mark and priests and deacons of the Diocese of Plymouth to pray for the repose of the souls of those men who served the diocese and our parishes for so many years and who have died. **Thursday 9 November** at 12 noon Plymouth Cathedral Cecil Street PL1 5HW. May they rest in peace.

First Holy Communion

Parents of children who are in year 3 or above at school who wish to prepare to receive Holy Communion for the first time next summer are invited to a registration meeting at St Nicholas School on Wednesday 29 November at 6.30pm. It is essential you attend this meeting as it will not be possible to join the preparation process part way through.

CAFOD Curry & Quiz Night

Friday 3 November at the Cardinal Newman Centre. Save the date for a fabulous evening which also raises funds to help the poorest in our world!

Confirmation

We need to hear from you before 28 October if you are in Year 9 or above at school and wish to receive the sacrament of Confirmation next year. Register of interest forms are available on the porch.

Extraordinary Form Mass

Today 3.00pm at Blessed Sacrament.

Fr John Watkins

Party on Sunday 29 October at the Cardinal Newman Centre from 1.00pm to say 'thank you' to Fr John. If you haven't already given to the collection there is still time. Please put your contribution in an envelope marked 'Fr John Collection' and put it through the presbytery letterbox. We will also be having a retiring collection next weekend (22 Oct).

GATHER 2018

19-21 January 2018 Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. Cost £150 residential, £40 non-residential day rate. To book your place use the flyer provided or download from Facebook page Gather Conference. Early booking is essential. See you there.

A Day with Mary

Buckfast Abbey Saturday 14 October. 10.00am procession followed by Mass at 11.00am and finish at 5.30pm. For full details see poster in the church porch.

Praying in The Spirit

Praising God takes many forms. Prayer is as diverse and different as we are. If you'd like to join us for an evening of charismatic praise and worship then come to the St Richard Reynolds Centre on Thursday 26 October at 7.15pm. Together we will allow the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us.

Charismatic prayer group

Meets in the St Richard Reynolds Centre - 7.15 to 9.00pm. The next meeting will on 12 October. All welcome. For more info call Chris and Sue Lee on 01392 432929.

Catholic Marriage Enrichment

Saturday 21 October 2017, 10.00 to 16.30 at St Peter's Church, Crownhill, Plymouth. Drinks provided, please bring a packed lunch. To book a place please contact Deborah van Kroonenburg on 07961099173deborahvankroon@gmail.com

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 9.30am at Blessed Sacrament.
Tuesdays 8.00-9.00pm at Mount St Mary Convent. All welcome.

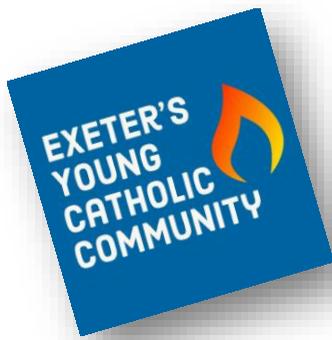
Refreshments after Mass

If you can help prepare and serve refreshments (tea, coffee and biscuits) after 10.30am Mass on Sundays please contact Toni Percival on 01392 218677.

St Nick's News

On Friday we celebrated our Harvest Liturgy in the school hall and gave thanks to God for the riches he gives us. We were joined by parishioners and parents and collected for the SVP Christmas food parcels, a reminder that all people are not as fortunate as we are. Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate with us.

Drop Off Drop In has welcomed a number of new parents who joined us for our coffee morning last week in our Bickleigh Room. Parishioners can come at 8.45am every Wednesday to join us for fresh coffee and homemade cakes.



EYCC is a new group in Exeter for Catholics aged 16-21. There'll be food, discussions about our faith and prayer and we're open to any ideas as to how we can improve each session! The first gathering will be on Wednesday 8 November at 19.00-20.30 in St Richard Reynolds Centre and we'd love to see you there! Like our Facebook page to keep updated and if you'd like more info, just send us a message through the page messenger account where we'd be happy to answer any questions you might have. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Exeter University Students

New student at Exeter University? Want to meet other Catholic students? Then come to the Catholic Chaplaincy. Mass is at 11.30am on Sundays followed by a free lunch. Find us on campus at Boniface House, Glenthorne Road, EX4 4QU. Online: www.exetercatholicchaplaincy.wordpress.com Twitter @ExeterCatholic, Facebook Exeter Catholic Chaplaincy, or contact Donna at D.Cooper@exeter.ac.uk.

A Sea Symphony

A performance of Vaughan Williams' 'A Sea Symphony' on Saturday 25 November at Exeter Cathedral by local choirs. Tickets from Exeter Visitor Information and Ticket Office in Dix's Field.

Catholic Women's League

The monthly Mass for the work of the League will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday 21 October at 10.00am. All welcome.

Guided Retreat

November 17-19 'Taster' Weekend Retreat Southgate House, Buckfast Abbey. Booking forms in church porch or telephone 01548 852670 or email mjbutler6@yahoo.com or adriantoffolo@yahoo.co.uk

Children's Liturgy of the Word

At 10.30am Mass on Sundays our young children are invited to listen to the readings prepared for them.

Quiet Day at Buckfast

'Forgive and Forget, is it possible to forget?' will be repeated on Saturday 21 October at Violet Evelyn Hall at Buckfast from 10.00am to 3.00pm. The cost is £15 to include refreshments and a light lunch. For more information please see the poster in the porch where you will also find some

St Rita's Pilgrimage 2018

St Rita's are arranging a pilgrimage to Cascia, Rome and Roccaporena in June 2018. For more information see the poster in the porch, telephone 01404 42635 or email stritas@btinternet.com

Pope's Intention for October

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

The Pope tweets...

The statute of Our Lady of Aparecida was found by poor workers. May Mary bless all of us, but especially those seeking employment.

World Mission Day

Next Sunday 22 October is World Mission Day when we are asked to pray for world missions. There will be a second collection for the work of MISSIO the Church's official charity for overseas mission.

Accommodation required

Could you accommodate a 33 yr old professional woman who is looking for a room in a home? Please contact the Parish Office if you can help. Many thanks.

Masses

Sunday 15 October

28th Sunday Ordinary Time

9.00am *The Tapp Family*

10.30am *The Sagan Family*

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

Monday 16 October

7.30am Convent

Tuesday 17 October

St Ignatius of Antioch

7.00pm

Wednesday 18 October

St Luke the Evangelist

9.30am

Elizabeth Kelleher RIP

4.00pm RD&E Hospital

Thursday 19 October

9.30am *John Hickey Power*

& Beatrice Power RIP

Friday 20 October

NO Convent Mass

9.30am

Saturday 21 October

9.30am *Lesley & Peter Trist*

50th wedding anniversary

Sunday 22 October

29th Sunday Ordinary Time

World Mission Day

9.00am *People of the Parish*

10.30am

6.00pm

Confessions

After 9.30am Mass
on Saturday morning
and by appointment.

*Many are
called but few
are chosen.*

The Word

This Sunday 15 Oct

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalm Response

*In the Lord's own
house shall I dwell
for ever and ever*

Second Reading

Philippians 4:12-14.19-20

Gospel *Matthew 22:1-14*

Next Sunday 22 Oct

First Reading

Isaiah 25:1.4-6

Psalm Response

*Give the Lord glory
and power*

Second Reading

Thessalonians 1:1-5

Gospel *Matthew 22:15-21*

Thank you

Collection Sunday
8 October **£1,116.50**

Getting married?

Congratulations! Please
give us at least six months'
notice if you are planning
to marry in the Church.

Welcome

We hope you have a happy
and peaceful time with us
here in Exeter. Please ask
one of the Welcomers or
contact the parish office if
we can help in any way.

Newsletter

Deadline for newsletter
items 4.00pm Wednesday.
By phone or email.

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