

ParishNews



Blessed Sacrament Parish Heavitree Exeter
17 June 2018. *Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B*

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The Kingdom of God

The mustard seed is very tiny yet when it is sown in good soil it becomes a very large shrub in which all types of little birds can find shelter to build their nests. The kingdom of God is within us and if we allow it to grow then people will come to us because they see that we are truly witnesses to Christ. Waking or sleeping, the kingdom is growing within us if we do things pleasing to God. We may seem insignificant in the world's eyes but we are confident that it is God who gives the increase and for this we thank him.

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.

Liturgy of the Word for children

During the 10.30am Mass most Sundays.

Refreshments

Sundays after 10.30am Mass and Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass.

Parents and Toddlers

Monday mornings 9.30–11.30am in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. All welcome especially new faces.

Getting married?

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

Sick parishioners

Please inform one of the priests or the parish office if you know someone who is in need of a visit.

Newsletter

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

Many thanks

Sunday Collections
3 June **£1,178.70**
10 June **£1,260.43**

Calendar of Events

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| Sun 17 June | Mass in the Extraordinary Form
<i>Blessed Sacrament Church 3.00pm</i> |
| Mon 18 June | Adoremus Group Meeting
<i>St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm</i> |
| 18–24 June | Refugee Week
<i>Please pray for all refugees</i> |
| Wed 20 June | EYCC Exeter's Young Catholic Community
<i>St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm</i> |
| Thurs 21 June | 1115 Youth Group
<i>St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30–8.00pm</i> |
| Fri 22 June | St Nicholas School Summer Fayre
<i>St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm</i> |
| Fr 22 June | Thanksgiving Mass for David Wells and Sarah Adams. <i>Plymouth Cathedral 6.00pm</i> |
| Fri 22 June | Run to the Son
<i>Buckfast Abbey until Sunday 24 June</i> |
| Fri 22 June | St Nicholas School Summer Fayre
<i>6.00–8.00pm at school</i> |
| Sat 23 June | Server's Rally and BBQ
<i>Plymouth Cathedral 11.30am</i> |
| Sat 23 June | Diocesan Music and Liturgy Day
<i>St Joseph's Parish Hall Newton Abbot</i> |
| Sun 24 June | Annual Diocesan Youth Rally
<i>St Rita's Honiton 1.00–6.30pm</i> |
| Tues 26 June | Catholic Women's League Meeting
<i>St Mary's Centre, Wonford Road 2.00pm</i> |
| Weds 27 June | Year 6 Leavers' Mass
<i>Blessed Sacrament Church 10.00am</i> |
| Thurs 28 June | Thursday Luncheon Club
<i>St Richard Reynolds Centre 12.30pm</i> |
| Thurs 28 June | Prayer Group
<i>St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm</i> |
| Fri 29 June | Feast of St Peter and St Paul
<i>Holy day of obligation.</i>
<i>Masses 9.15am at St Nicholas School. 9.30am and 7.00pm in church.</i> |
| Fri 29 June | Funeral Mass Suzette Murphy RIP
<i>Blessed Sacrament Church 11.30am</i> |
| Mon 2 July | Youth Synod Gathering
<i>Buckfast until 5 July</i> |

Happy Fathers' Day

Today we give thanks for our fathers, for those who are with us and for those who have died. We thank them for their love and care and ask God to bless them. We're sure they've all enjoyed breakfast in bed this morning. Have a happy day.

Adoremus 2018

The Eucharistic Congress

There are a series of podcasts that are available to help us understand further what, we as a church, are being invited to prepare for.

Podcasts/Episode-4

For our fourth Adoremus podcast, we're reflecting on what our recent popes have said about Eucharistic Adoration. Fr Sean Davidson, a member of the Missionaries of the Most Holy Eucharist based in southeast France, is today's contributor.

Podcast 4: Renewing the Church

<http://catholicnews.org.uk/Home/Special-Events/Adoremus-National-Eucharistic-Pilgrimage/Let-Us-Adore-Him-Adoremus->

CELEBRATE 2018

South West Celebrate Weekend 13-14 October Plymouth

A joyful and faith-filled event for young and old at Notre Dame School, Looseleigh Lane, Plymouth PL6 5HN. Main Speakers: Maria Heath, Fr. Oscar Ardila, Charles Whitehead. Separate streams for children and young people, lively worship, drama, a variety of workshops, family Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation available. Online booking now open (Prior booking essential). More details can be found online at www.celebrateconference.org; by email: southwest@celebrateconference.org; or by telephoning: Rebecca on 01395 489902 or Susanne on 01803 606256.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Thanksgiving Mass for David Wells & Sarah Adams

On Friday 22 June at 6.00pm in Plymouth Cathedral we will gather to celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass for the work of David and Sarah in the Diocese of Plymouth. For many years we have benefitted from David's wit and wisdom, his joyful and lively faith and his infectious enthusiasm. He has led us in conferences and retreats, helped us understand more about our relationship with Jesus and taught us how to be a disciple, without losing our sense of humour! His journey will now take him in a different direction, to pastures new. We wish him well and hope to see him often. Sarah has worked for the diocese for many years, supporting schools and parish communities as they strive to grow in faith. Her witness to the Gospel has inspired and strengthened us. They will both be missed. Join us on 22 June to pray for them and to give thanks.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

Marriage and family life pilgrimage 11-17 August at the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady Walsingham. For more info visit www.walsingham.org.uk or email family@walssingham.org.uk or call 01328801007

1115 Youth Group

1115 will be meeting on Thursday 5 July from 6.30pm-8.00pm at the St Richard Reynolds Centre at Blessed Sacrament Church, Heavitree. Everyone aged 11-15 is welcome to attend. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. We look forward to meeting and engaging with you! Any questions, please contact Erik Renz exeter-youth-worker@prcdtr.org.uk. There are also places available on a bus to attend the Youth Rally in Honiton on 24 June. If your children are interested in attending, please e-mail Erik Renz on the above e-mail for more information and consent forms, by **June 19th**. Thanks.

livesimply

One element of the parish livesimply action plan is to participate in environmental action and campaigning – such as on avoiding single use plastics. There are a number of small steps that all of us can take to help cutting down on waste. Jessica Renz, a parish member, has been sharing ideas for cutting back on plastic consumption within a household for a year now on her blog www.therenznest.com. You can look at her blog and pick up some ideas. If you have any ideas that you would like to share, please email them to livesimplyexeter@gmail.com.

livesimply meeting

The next meeting of the parish livesimply group will be on Saturday 14 July at 10.00am in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. We are always very pleased to welcome new members who would like to be involved in supporting the parish in our efforts to live more simply, sustainably and in solidarity with the poor.

Refugee Week 2018

Next week (18-24 June) is Refugee Week. There are a number of events run by local organisations in Exeter, including talks, an exhibition at St Petrock's Church and information sessions. Have a look at the programme that is displayed in the church.

Community sponsorship of refugees

A free half day event for those interested in finding out more about the community sponsorship scheme, at The Old Deanery, Exeter on Wednesday 20 June from 10.00am till 12.00noon (registration from 9.30am). You can find out about the Government's new community sponsorship scheme for refugees. Go to: communitysponsorshipexeter.eventbrite.com

co.uk to reserve a place and find more information at abide@otterystmary.org.uk

Sewing & Knitting Group

Thank you for all the interest shown in this new group in the parish. We will meet regularly in the St Richard Reynolds Centre so keep watch on this space for dates.

Exeter Foodbank

Sponsored Walk

You can support the work of the Foodbank by joining this sponsored walk on June 23. More information is available from walk@exeterfoodbank.org.uk or by phoning 07818226524

Exeter Foodbank Collection

There is a basket in church where you can leave your donations of non-perishable food. It will be collected every third Sunday in the month. Many thanks.

St Nicholas School Summer Fayre

Friday 22 June 6.00–8.00pm

Join us for an evening of entertainment and fun. The Fayre is also a fantastic fundraiser for the school so you're most welcome to join us. Tell your friends, they would be most welcome to come along too.

Youth Synod Gathering

2–5 July at Buckfast Abbey for 16–19 year olds. You are invited to respond to the call of Pope Francis to meet with other young people as part of the international preparations for the 2018 papal synod on Young People, Faith, and Vocational Discernment. Cost £50. Contact fiona.hutchings@prcdtr.org.uk for more information.

Catholic Women's League

The next monthly meeting will take place on Tuesday 26 June at Mount St Mary's Centre, Wonford Road at 2.00pm.

Altar Servers' Rally, Mass and BBQ

This annual Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Mark at Plymouth Cathedral at 11.30am on Saturday 23 June followed by a barbeque which should finish around 1.30–2.00pm. Bishop Mark would like as many altar servers as possible from the Diocese, and their families, to attend. Servers will need to take their albs or cassocks and cottas. A list will be placed in the sacristy for any of our servers who are going to add their name so that we can inform them how many to expect for catering purposes. Transport will not be provided but as families are invited we hope that you will all go along.

Run to the Son

Friday 22 to Sunday 24 June at Buckfast Abbey. For the second year running, a weekend of prayer and inspiration to help equip you for mission. Main features include:- a day of growth in discipleship led by Fr. Oscar Ardila, a night vigil of prayer welcoming the dawn in the splendour of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and a sunrise Mass with Bishop Mark. Tickets £50 each which includes food and camping facilities. (Other accommodation is available at additional cost). Booking forms and more details are available online at www.buckfast.org.uk/run-to-the-son or contact St. Peter's parish, Plymouth 01752 701660 if you have any queries.

Music & Liturgy Day

With composer and liturgist Paul Inwood at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Newton Abbot on 23 June. All are welcome including instruments. 'Music for the Journey' a day looking at a variety of music by different composers for times of sorrow and joy, and for moments when we are at changing points in our lives. Cost - £10 per person including tea/coffee.

Annual Youth Rally

St Rita's Centre, Honiton on Sunday June 24 1.00 till 6.30pm. Admission is £5.00. A bus will pick up at 12.15pm on the junction of Ringswell Avenue (St Nicholas School) and will return at 7.15pm. Further details can be obtained from Patrick on 01837 851438 or 07880 734088

pmorris@wjmorris.co.uk

More information and parental consent forms that must be completed for any youngster attending can be found in the church porch.

Ministry Rotas

Please ensure that if, for whatever reason, you are unable to minister – either proclaiming the word or distributing Holy Communion – you have found someone to take your place. People are regularly stepping in at the last minute which means they have not had the chance to prepare. Thank you.

New parishioners

Are you new to Blessed Sacrament parish? If so, you are most welcome and we hope you will be very happy here. If you haven't already done so, please provide us with your contact details. Forms are available in the church porch and from the parish office (electronically) and should be returned to the office once completed. This also applies if you have been here for a while but not yet completed a form. It is good for us to know something about you and to be able to keep you updated with things happening in the parish. Thank you.

Fortnightly Parish News

As we are now publishing the newsletter every fortnight please make sure you get your items to us in good time, well before any event is taking place. And if you could get information to the parish office by Wednesday afternoon that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Catholic Summer Conferences

The School of the Annunciation is offering four short conferences this summer in the beautiful surroundings of Buckfast Abbey - two in Spiritual Theology (12 to 15 June, and 30 July to 2 August), one in Philosophy (2 to 5 August), and one in Apologetics answering difficult questions of our time (9 to 12 August). Application forms can be downloaded from the School's website (<https://www.schooloftheannunciation.com/site.php?menuaccess=57>) or you can call the School direct - 01364 645660.

Natural Family Planning

Teacher Recruitment for Natural Family Planning (NFP) South West - helping to build a 'civilisation of love'

We are a volunteer organisation. We deliver the Billings Ovulation Method of NFP to engaged and married couples across the diocese and teach fertility awareness to teenagers. Applicants may be married/single but must be willing to chart their own fertility/use the method and be committed to the Church's teaching on Marriage and Family Life. To find out more, please ring or text Christine Hudson: 07742320717

Retreats

June 29 till July 1 weekend retreat at Southgate Retreat House. Booking forms available in the porch.

The Pope Tweets...

I send my cordial greetings to all those following the World Soccer Championships that begin today (Thursday) in Russia. I hope this sports event may be a positive opportunity for encounter and fellowship.

Please pray for...

the repose of the soul of **Suzette Mary Murphy** who has died. Suzette's funeral Mass will be celebrated at Blessed Sacrament Church on 29 June at 11.30am. May she rest in peace.

St Peter & St Paul

On 29 June we celebrate two of the greatest saints in the Church's calendar.

Peter, the impulsive fisherman and apostle who was charged by Jesus with the responsibility of leading the Church. Into his hands were placed the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and his authority has been passed down through the centuries through the office of the Holy Father. Today we are led by Pope Francis, Peter's successor and Vicar of Christ on earth.

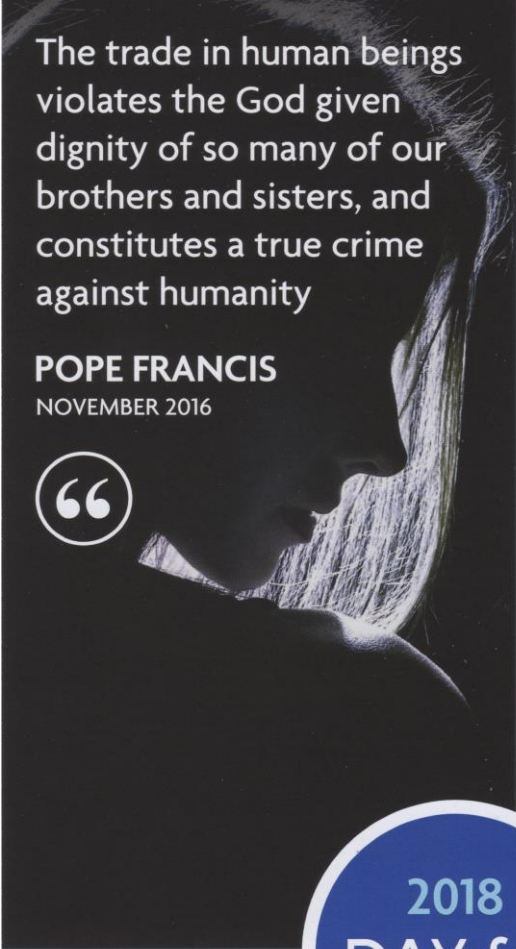
Following his dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus, St Paul was to become the Church's greatest champion, fearlessly travelling the near world to bring the message of the Gospel to as many people as possible. The legacy of his writings and his preaching is manifold and in the liturgy of the Church we are constantly reminded of the depth of his faith and his ardour in proclaiming it to the world.

Their feast is a holy day when members of the Church are **obliged** to attend Mass. This is not to make our lives more difficult by adding to the list of things we have to do, but rather to encourage and sustain us in our life of faith. Both these men faced greater challenges than any of us are likely to in our lives. Please join us to give thanks for their faithful witness and to benefit from their intercession.

Masses in the parish will be celebrated at 9.15am at St Nicholas School and at 9.30am and 7.00pm in the church.

First Holy Communions

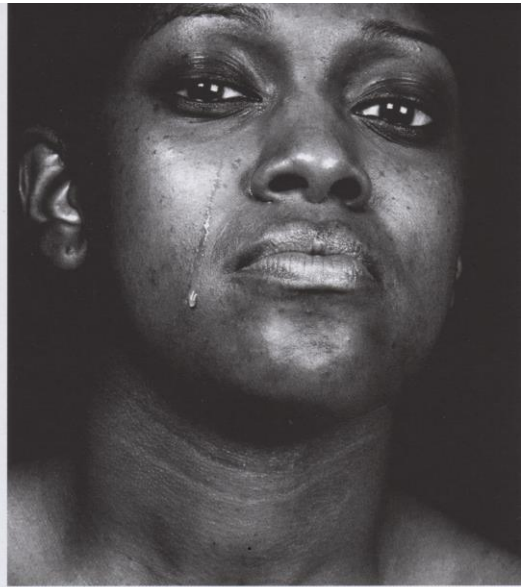
This year 28 of our children will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time at a Mass to be celebrated on Saturday 7 July at 10.30am at Blessed Sacrament Church. There will be a rehearsal for all the children at 6.30pm on Thursday 5 July at church. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they prepare for this very special day.



The trade in human beings violates the God given dignity of so many of our brothers and sisters, and constitutes a true crime against humanity

POPE FRANCIS

NOVEMBER 2016



2018
**DAY for
LIFE**



We pray for the victims of human trafficking that they may be helped to rebuild their lives after the traumatic experiences they have gone through.

AMEN



Mass Times

Sunday 17 June

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am *People of the parish*

10.30am

6.00pm

Monday 18 June

No Convent Mass

Tuesday 19 June

7.00pm

Wednesday 20 June

9.30am *Mary Leach RIP*

4.00pm RD&E Hospital

Thursday 21 June

St Aloysius Gonzaga

9.30am

Friday 22 June

St John Fisher &

St Thomas More

No Convent Mass

9.30am *Peggy RIP*

Saturday 23 June

St Edward, King

9.30am

Sunday 24 June

The Nativity of St John the Baptist

9.00am

10.30am

Freda Olive Morgan RIP

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

Monday 25 June

No Convent Mass

Tuesday 26 June

7.00pm

Wednesday 27 June

9.30am

4.00pm RD&E Hospital

Thursday 28 June

St Iranaeus, Bishop

9.30am

Friday 29 June

St Peter & St Paul

Obligatory Solemnity

No Convent Mass

9.15am St Nicholas School

9.30am

11.30am *Funeral Mass*

Suzette Murphy RIP

7.00pm

Saturday 30 June

9.30am *George Stewart RIP*

10.00am Confessions

Sunday 1 July

Thirteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

9.00am

10.30am *People of the Parish*

6.00pm *John McFadyn RIP*

Confessions

Saturday 10.00am Church

Adoration

Mondays 9.30am Church

Tuesdays 8.00pm Convent

Please refer to the notice board on the church door for any alterations.

The Word

Sunday 17 June

First Reading

Ezekiel 17:22–24.

I will make low trees grow.

Psalm Response

It is good to give you thanks O Lord.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:6–10.

Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.

Gospel

Mark 4: 26–34. *It is the smallest of the seeds; yet it grows into the biggest shrub of them all.*

Sunday 24 June

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1–6.

I will make you the light of the nations.

Psalm Response

I thank you for the wonder of my being.

Second Reading

Acts 13:22–26.

Jesus, whose coming was heralded by John.

Gospel

Luke 1:57–66. 80.

His name is John.

Sunday 1 July

First Reading

Wisdom 1:13–15; 2:23–24.

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Psalm Response

I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13–15.

In giving to others, balance what happens to your surplus now against their present need.

Gospel

Mark 5:21–43. *Little girl, I tell you to get up.*
