

ParishNews



Blessed Sacrament Parish Heavitree Exeter

2 July 2017 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Psalter Week 1



The Gospel and First Reading this Sunday can be summed up in one word: 'hospitality'. But not hospitality in general - this is a very specific hospitality: welcoming the word of God. We must welcome the message of salvation into our homes and hearts, and show this by welcoming the messenger who brings us this good news. Perhaps when we consider the messages we allow into our homes nowadays this theme reveals its relevance to us: television, radio and newspapers are all welcome in our homes. Surely the Gospel tells us to keep our eyes peeled for the 'holy man' who brings real news. This Gospel also tells us about our mission: if we are welcomed or rejected, we should neither be proud nor worry for ourselves, but for Christ, because it is Christ who is welcomed or rejected.

Mission Appeal

This Sunday Fr Alan Bell will be at all Masses talking about and making an appeal on behalf of the **Crusade of the Holy Spirit**. There will be a retiring collection to help support their work in Latin America.

Altar Servers' Mass

Saturday 8 July 11.30am at Plymouth Cathedral. Bishop Mark would like as many altar servers as possible from the Diocese, and their families, to join him at this Mass, and the BBQ afterwards which should finish by about 1.30/2pm. You will need to bring your albs, cassocks and cottas

CAFOD BBQ and Games

The Blessed Sacrament CAFOD Group's Annual BBQ will be held on Saturday 15 July from 2.30 pm at Chris and Imelda's house, 21 Station Road, Pinhoe, Exeter EX1 3SA. As usual tickets are free but donations on the day will be acceptable! Please do let us know if you are coming 01392 460041 **NEW THIS YEAR: Prize BINGO!!!**

Mass intentions

If you would like a Mass said for a particular intention, for someone who is ill or a loved one who has died, in thanksgiving for an answer to prayer or perhaps something personal please see Lesley in the parish office who will be able to help you find a date and time which suits you. It is traditional to make an offering at the same time. This is simply what you can afford and would like to give

Inter Parish Prayer Group

Held in the St Richard Reynolds Centre from 7.15 pm - 9.00 pm, every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month – next meetings are Thursday 13 and 27 July. All very welcome. For more information please ring Chris and Sue: 01392 432929.

NB There will no meetings during the month of August.

Liturgy of the Word for children

At the 10.30am Mass on Sundays the children are invited to go to the St Richard Reynolds Centre with their catechists.

Toddler Group

Mondays at 9.30am in St Richard Reynolds Centre. All welcome, especially new parents & babies/toddlers.

Refreshments after Mass

Served in the St Richard Reynolds Centre after the 10.30 Mass on Sunday and the 9.30 Mass on Wednesday mornings.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday at 9.30am in the church.

Tuesday 8.00-9.00pm at Mount St Mary Convent. **NB** there will not be Adoration at the convent during July and August.

Tuesday 4 July 7.00–8.00pm with Taize chants in the Lady Chapel at Sacred Heart church, South Street. Singers/musicians/any instruments are very welcome to join. There will be a practice at 6.30pm.

Sclerder Family Festival

Being held at Sclerder Abbey, Looe, Cornwall, PL13 2JD, organised by Chemin Neuf on Saturday 19 August. A summer festival in the grounds of historic abbey on the beautiful Cornish coast. Single ticket £10/ family ticket £20. See poster porch for details with booking forms. For booking and info: ww.sclerderfamilyfestival.cheminneuf.org.uk

Catholic Chaplaincies

Most of our Universities and Higher Education Institutions have a dedicated University Chaplain. A new website has been set up to help young people find their

Catholic chaplaincy when they arrive at college or university this autumn. Please see the poster in the church porch and let prospective students know about the website: catholics@university.org.uk

Summer School Courses

The School of the Annunciation, Buckfast Abbey is offering 4-day Summer School Courses during July and August on various topics. Find more information at: www.schooloftheannunciation.com.

St Nicholas School News

We only have a few weeks left of term and are busy with end of term activities. We held our Sports Day on Friday and the children enjoyed entering a number of activities on the field and playground. Children are now looking forward to trips to Haven Banks for water sports days, the Year 5/6 production, a pirate day in Foundation Stage and the Year Leaver's Mass and Disco.

2017 Diary Dates

Welcoming Ministry Training

- **Tuesday 25 July** 7.30pm

Anointing Mass for the sick

- **Saturday 29 July** 11.00am.

If you know of someone who is not always able to come to Mass please let them know and offer them a lift. There will be refreshments afterwards in the St Richard Reynolds Centre.

Readers Meeting & Training

- **Saturday 16 September** 10.30am
Commissioning at all Masses 30 Sept.

Extraordinary Ministers Meeting

- **Saturday 23 September** 10.30am
Commissioning at all Masses 8 October.

More details to follow in due course.

If you are interested in taking part in any of these ministries please talk to either Fr Jonathan, Fr John or the parish office.

St Bridget's Friends

An invitation has been sent to anyone wishing to join the inaugural meeting of St Bridget's Friends at the Violet Evelyn Hall, Buckfast on Sunday 23 July starting at 2.00pm. See poster in the porch for more information.

Sea Sunday

Next Sunday, 9 July, is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. For more information about its work visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk Gift aid envelopes are available in the porch for next weekend's collection please take one.

Walsingham Way – Vocational Pilgrimage

For those considering their vocation from 6.00pm on 30 June – 2.00 pm on 2 July, at the RC National Shrine of Our Lady, Houghton St Giles, Little Walsingham, NR22 6AL. Free coach from King's Lynn station to RC shrine at 6.00pm and 8.00pm on Friday 30 June. Email: enquiries@ukvocation.org or visit www.walsingham.org.uk/calendars.

Foundations of Philosophy for Faith

A 4-day summer-school and course taster. An introduction to Catholic philosophy at the School of Annunciation, Buckfast Abbey. Monday 24 - Thursday 27 July. The Catholic vision is one of the human person created with a mind and heart that can seek after God and find Him, ultimately in Christ. This Summer-School acts as a 'course taster' for the 1-year online course with the same title for those who find they want to continue to examine these vitally important areas in the relationship

between faith and reason, Catholic teaching and philosophy.

Celebrate Weekend

Is moving! On 14/15 October 2017, the new venue will be: Notre Dame School Looseleigh Lane, Plymouth PL6 5HN. The new name will be: South West Celebrate Weekend. Save the date! More details coming soon.

Summer Accommodation

Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offers comfortable rooms in Central London in July and August. There are beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night including breakfast. Website: www.allenhall.org.uk Tel: 020 7349 5600 (option 0) Email: allenhall@rcdow.org.uk

Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Summer Camps

30 July - 11 August at Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey. There are three camps running this year: Junior Camp, Senior Camp, and St Petroc's camp for students in school years 11-13. Details and application forms available at www.pdsommerncamps.org.uk.

Individually Guided Retreats

Are being organised this year by the diocesan Ignatian Spirituality group. These silent retreats range from one day, weekend, 3 or 6-day retreats and are held at Buckfast Abbey. For dates, booking information and more information please ring 01548 852670 or e-mail mjbutler6@yahoo.com or adriantoffolo@yahoo.co.uk.

Ministry at Mass

If you are unable to minister please ensure you find a replacement. Many thanks.

Pope's Intention for July...

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

Masses

Sunday 2 July

13th Sunday Ordinary Time

9.00am

For our loved ones departed

10.30am *Andre Raymond & Marie Therese Mein RIP*

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

Monday 3 July

St Thomas

7.30am *Convent*

Tuesday 4 July

Blessed John Cornelius & Companions

7.00pm *Podraic Feeney RIP*

Wednesday 5 July

9.30am *Kate Harden-England*

4.00pm *RD&E Hospital*

Thursday 6 July

9.30am

Friday 7 July

9.30am

Saturday 8 July

9.30am *Private Intention*

Sunday 9 July

Sea Sunday

14th Sunday Ordinary Time

9.00am *Bob Bendall RIP*

10.30am

Derek & Lorraine Richards

50th Wedding anniversary

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

Confessions

After 9.30am Mass
on Saturday morning
and by appointment.

New website

Please visit www.blessedsacrament.org.uk to view the parish's newly formatted website.

The Word

This Sunday 2 July

First Reading

Kings 4:8-11.14-16

Psalm Response

*I will sing for ever
of your love, O Lord*

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-4.8-11

Gospel *Matthew 10:37-42*

Next Sunday 9 July

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

Psalm Response

*I will bless your name for
ever, O God my King.*

Second Reading

Romans 8:9.11-13

Gospel *Matthew 11:25-30*

Thank you

Collection on Sunday

25 June **£1174.12**

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.

Thank you.

Contact us

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