

# ParishNews



**Blessed Sacrament Parish** Heavitree Exeter  
4 August 2019. Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year C

## **Parish Priest**

Fr Jonathan Stewart

## **Priest in retirement**

Fr John Watkins

## **PARISH OFFICE**

The Presbytery,  
29 Fore Street, Heavitree  
Exeter EX1 2QJ

## **Telephone**

01392 274724

**Email** [exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk)

## **Parish Office hours**

Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Thursday 10.00am–4.00pm

## **Parish Secretary**

Lesley Hooper

## **Safeguarding Reps**

Vince Clark &

Lesley Hooper

## **PARISH SCHOOL**

### **St Nicholas Catholic Primary School**

Ringswell Avenue,  
Exeter EX1 3EG

## **Telephone**

01392 445403

**Email** [admin@stncls.uk](mailto:admin@stncls.uk)

[www.st-nicholas-exeter.devon.sch.uk](http://www.st-nicholas-exeter.devon.sch.uk)

## **Head Teacher**

Angela Folland

## **CONVENT**

### **Mount St Mary Convent,**

Wonford Road,  
Exeter EX2 4PF

**Telephone** 01392 433301

*Blessed Sacrament Parish is  
part of the Roman Catholic  
Diocese of Plymouth.*



*This hoard of yours,  
whose will it be?*

Today we contemplate a great truth about our life: you can't take it with you. The old phrase 'There are no pockets in a shroud' is what we confront today, in the preaching of both Ecclesiastes and the Lord Jesus. What Jesus makes us think about, however, is not just this truth, but the consequences of it: if we are not to build up treasure here on earth, what are we to do? The answer is simple: by our way of living we 'make ourselves rich in the sight of God'!

# 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 10.45am Mass most Sundays.*

## Refreshments

*Sundays after 10.45am 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  
21 July £1136.10  
28 July £1183.25*

# Calendar of Events

---

- Sun 4 Aug **Forstner Family Farewell lunch**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 12.30pm*
- Mon 5 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Thurs 8 Aug **Prayer Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Mon 12 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Wed 14 Aug **1115 Youth Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Sun 18 Aug **Extraordinary Form Mass**  
*Blessed Sacrament church 3.00pm*
- Mon 19 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Wed 21 Aug **1115 Youth Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Thurs 22 Aug **Stronghold Prayer & Praise & BBQ**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Sun 25 Aug **Fundraising BBQ-Uganda Borehole**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 12.30pm*
- Mon 26 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Mon 2 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Wed 4 Sept **1115 Youth Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Sun 8 Sept **Education Sunday**
- Mon 9 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Thurs 12 Sept **Prayer Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Sun 15 Sept **Extraordinary Form Mass**  
*Blessed Sacrament church 3.00pm*
- Mon 16 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Sat 22 Sept **Diocesan Youth Rally**  
*St Rita's Centre 1.00-6.30pm*
- Mon 23 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Wed 25 Sept **Pastoral Parish Council Meeting**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Thurs 26 Sept **Stronghold Prayer & Praise**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.15pm*
- Mon 30 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*

# *livesimply*

## **Continuing the journey**

Would you like to be part of our ongoing livesimply journey? We are planning to set up smaller teams of people who are interested in working on a particular theme linked to livesimply, such as

- Solidarity with migrants and refugees
- Sustainability and environmental action
- Sow and Grow (gardening, growing food etc.)

If you are interested in one of these themes (more are likely to follow), please get in touch at [livesimplyexeter@gmail.com](mailto:livesimplyexeter@gmail.com) or leave a message in the parish office. We are also happy to hear about any suggestions for further themes and action.

## **Sewing & Knitting Group**

If you would like to meet up with other parish members and sew or knit (or to learn how to do it), you are welcome to join this group at the St Richard Reynolds Centre on Monday evenings (see dates in the newsletter calendar).

## **Exeter Foodbank Collection**

Please continue to support Exeter Foodbank throughout the school holidays when families might need extra help. The current priority items include instant coffee, sponge puddings, squash/cordial, rice pudding (tins), meat (tins), jams and spreads, and milk (1L UHT Semi-Skimmed). If you want to help address one of the key reasons for the growing demand for emergency food supplies, please join the Trussell Trust's campaign on demanding changes to the Universal Credit system: <https://action.trusselltrust.org/5weekstoolong>

## **Extraordinary Form Mass**

The next Extraordinary form Mass is at 3.00pm at Blessed Sacrament Church on Sunday 18 August.

## **Farewell lunch**

Justin, Kathrin, Sophia and Raphael invite you to join them for a farewell bring and share lunch today (Sunday 4 August) at 12.30 in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. As they are moving abroad, they have some household items to give away that they will bring to the lunch. Any donations that you would like to give would go towards their fundraising for the charity UNIQUE see [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/farewell-exeter](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/farewell-exeter)

## **Welcome**

We welcome to Blessed Sacrament parish all who are visiting us at this time. We pray you have a good holiday/visit. We also pray that those of our community who are enjoying holidays will return refreshed and invigorated by their time away.

## **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Thursday 15 August, is a holyday of obligation. Masses will be at 9.30am and 7.00pm at Blessed Sacrament, 10.00am at Sacred Heart, and at 4.00pm at the RD&E hospital chapel.

## **Fundraising BBQ**

There will be a BBQ in the St Richard Reynolds garden on Sunday 25 August after the 10.45am Mass to which everyone is invited. This will be an event to raise funds for the borehole in Uganda. Keep the date free and more details will follow in the next newsletter.

## **1115 Youth Group**

Are you aged 11 to 15? If so you are welcome to come along to the next meeting of the 1115 youth group which will be on **Wednesday 14 August** at 6.30pm in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. The group will continue to meet during the school holiday.

## Catholic Women's League

The monthly Mass for the work of the League will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart Church, South Street on Saturday 17 August at 10.00 am. Coffee and cakes will be served after the Mass in the Lower Room

## Catholic Children's Society News

### 50/50 Club

Has around 100 supporters of our Helping Hands 50:50 club, but we'd love to double this number by the end of 2019. This would mean that every month, we would be looking to give away £100 in prize money whilst raising £100 each month for CCSP too! There would be a 1<sup>st</sup> prize of £50, a 2<sup>nd</sup> prize of £30 and a 3<sup>rd</sup> prize of £20 every month if we can increase the membership to 200 supporters. To be in with a chance of winning and to support a worthwhile cause each month, please visit [www.ccsplymouth.org.uk](http://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk) or call Lydia on 01364 645420 for more information.

### CCSP Newsletter

Copies of the Summer 2019 Newsletter Children First, are available in the church porch please take one home to read.

### Can you help CCSP?

Leaflets explaining how you can help the work of the children's society by regular donation or donating other items are also available in the porch for you to take.

### CCSP Job vacancy

The Catholic Children's Society has a vacancy for an Administrative Assistant based at St Boniface House, Ashburton. This is a part time post of 18 hours per week over 3 or more days. The main purpose of the role is to provide essential administrative and secretarial support to ensure the effective running of the Society.

This will mean working closely with the Chair, Company Secretary, individual Board Members as well as the Patchwork Project staff and Fundraiser. A copy of the job description and application form are obtainable from Jan Holton on 01364 645383 or email

[recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk). Applications are by application form and covering letter. The closing date for applications is 12 August 2019. Interviews will be held on Tuesday 27 August at St Boniface House.

## CAFOD

Please consider signing the net zero by 2045 petition in the porch or on-line at [e-activist.com/page/44225/petition/1](http://e-activist.com/page/44225/petition/1)

## May she rest in peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara Henwood who has died. Her funeral will be celebrated on Wednesday 21 August, time yet to be arranged.

## Please pray for...

Tara Little & Matt Beards who will be married at Blessed Sacrament on Saturday 16 August. We wish them every blessing as they begin life as husband and wife.

## Catechetical

### Summer Camps

Junior Camp – 28 July – 4 Aug  
Senior Camp and St Petroc's 6 – 11 Aug  
We wish all those attending the camps a fabulous time and pray for good weather.

## Prayer Group

Meets in the St Richard Reynolds Centre on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. On the fourth they are supported by Stronghold. The next date is Thursday 8 August at 7.15pm.

## New Mass Times

The times of the Sunday morning Masses at Blessed Sacrament from 7 July are 8.45am and 10.45am.

## Gift Aid

Gift Aid to krajowy program organizowany przez Inland Revenue (Urząd Skarbowy) i jest prostym sposobem na zwiększenie wartości darowizn na rzecz kościoła bez dodatkowych kosztów ofiarodawcy. Jeśli płacisz podatek w Wielkiej Brytanii, możemy odzyskać podatek podstawowy (25%) od pieniędzy, które przekazujesz kościołowi. Na przykład, jeśli ofiarujesz 10 funtów, kościół może odzyskać 2,50 funta podatku od rządu. Podatek, który płacisz, musi być równy lub większy niż kwota darowizny odzyskanej w ramach darowizn na cele charytatywne w każdym roku podatkowym. Każda parafia zachęca swoich parafian do wypełnienia tej deklaracji i duża część naszych funduszy pochodzi właśnie z tego programu. Wystarczy wypełnić formularz GAD (Gift Aid Declaration). Jest to oświadczenie złożone dla organizacji charytatywnej, potwierdzające, że chcesz przekazać darowiznę za pośrednictwem Gift Aid i aby organizacja ta otrzymała zwrot podatku od Twojej darowizny. Otrzymasz pudełko kopert na ofiary i po prostu wkładasz pieniądze na niedzielną 'tace' do koperty, a nie luzem. Możesz też zdecydować się na płatność za pomocą zleceń bankowych. Jeśli chcesz dowiedzieć się więcej na temat Gift Aid, skontaktuj się z John Lubugumu, organizatorem Gift Aid w naszej parafii.

## Diocesan Youth Rally

The rescheduled Diocesan Youth Rally will be on 22 September from 1.00pm till 6.30pm. Lots of games and finishing with free BBQ and Youth Mass. Please bring coat and packed lunch. Cost £5.00. See poster for details. Each young person must complete a Parental Consent form prior to attending. Please bring the form along on the day. Forms in the porch. Further details from Patrick 01837 851438 or pmorris@wjmorris.co.uk

## Pilgrimage to Malta & retreat on Gozo

Fr Philip from Holy Family Parish Exmouth invites you to join him on pilgrimage to Malta & Gozo in early May 2020. (The approximate dates are 3rd - 10th May subject to flight schedules) We will be staying for 4 nights half board on Malta & four nights full board on Gozo in peaceful retreat houses. The pilgrimage will be led by Fr Philip and we will be considering the life of St Paul and looking at the work of Nick King sj "Not that man!" as well as celebrating Morning & Evening Prayer and Mass. Flights, transfers, travel to Gozo and all excursions are included in the price which is in the region of £1,019. There are a few rooms remaining and if you would like more information please ring the parish office on 01395 263384.

## Pilgrimage to Medjugorje,

8-15 September 2019. Saint John Paul II described Medjugorje as "the prayer capital of the world." Here, Our Lady says, "I have come to tell the world that God exists". An opportunity to experience the peace and serenity that exists in Medjugorje where lives are transformed through miracles, both physical and spiritual. Departing from Bristol. Limited places. For details, please contact Michael Carney 07884 014828 or darty@gmail.com

## For Worship & Glory

The Royal School of Needlework are holding an exhibition with embroidered pieces from Exeter Cathedral's Company of Tapisers from 1 till 26 August inside Exeter Cathedral. This is included in the standard entry charge.

## 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.

## The Pope Tweets...

The Lord gives each of us a vocation, a challenge to discover the talents and abilities we possess and to put them at the service of others.

## Adoration at the Convent

There will be no adoration at the Convent during August. We will resume in September. Thank you to all those who support this devotion in our community.

## St Nick's News

We look forward to welcoming new families to our school in September and also our new school dog who, as he grows, will be trained to become a therapy dog. We wish all parishioners a very happy, restful summer.

## New parishioners

Welcome! We hope you will be very happy here in the parish. 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. Thank you.

## Travelling abroad this summer?

Please donate your unused foreign currency to the CCSP via the orange box in the St Richard Reynolds Centre.

## Summer Conferences at Buckfast Abbey

Inflamed by Love: Discipleship and the Holy Spirit, 8th–11th August; Church History and the Fathers, 12th–15th August; Philosophy and Apologetics, 15th –8th August. See poster for full details. Early bird discount before 15th May. [www.sota-edu.com](http://www.sota-edu.com); tel: 01364 645660; e-mail: [enquiries@sota-edu.com](mailto:enquiries@sota-edu.com).

## Theology Courses

The School of the Annunciation (based at Buckfast) offer a number of theology courses throughout the year. This summer they are offering a conference on Church History from 12th–15th August. There is another conference available, 8th–11th August, on the theme of Inflamed by Love: Discipleship and the Holy Spirit. See [www.sota-edu.com](http://www.sota-edu.com).

## International Mass Sunday 22 September

At 10.45am followed by an International lunch. We are a very diverse parish with parishioners from all over the world and we would like as many of you as can to come along to make it a truly international celebration. During the coming weeks you may find someone coming up to you and asking if you would like to contribute to the food/music/readings etc. Please be generous in your response. Previous International Masses have been some of the most wonderful celebrations here in our parish. We look forward to a wonderful day's celebration.

## First Holy Communion photos 2019

are now available to buy online at <https://differentangle.onlineweb.shop/>

# Stronghold

The next meeting of the Stronghold prayer and praise group is on Thursday 22 August **at 7.00pm** in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. Please note the earlier start time.

This will be followed by a BBQ. The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life and the celebration of Mass is central to our faith, but it is not the only way to pray. We pray through song and word, praising God with all our hearts and minds and bodies. It is simple but moving. Why not give it a go! All welcome.

## Pope's Intention for August

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human development".

*Pope Francis also adds a second, more urgent intention each month, which is published on the Apostleship of Prayer website [apostleshipofprayer.org](http://apostleshipofprayer.org)*

*He also records a video each month, related to the prayer theme, which can be viewed online at <http://apostleshipofprayer.org/the-pope-video>*

## Caritas Event

*'The hope of the poor shall not perish for ever'*

This is the theme of Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of the Poor on Sunday 17 November 2019. Caritas Plymouth will be holding their third event looking at the causes of poverty and its impact in the run up to the World Day of the Poor. The event will include sharing thoughts and ideas about how we in our parishes can mark the World Day of the Poor and looking at Pope Francis' message. It will be held at St Rita's Centre, Honiton on Saturday 12 October from 10.30am till 3.30pm. The free event includes a buffet lunch. Limited space – booking essential Please contact: [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk)

# What's happening in Heavitree

**14, 21, & 28 August** – Pop up events in Heavitree Pleasure Ground. Go along and chat with neighbours and your community builder over a free cuppa with games equipment for children. From 11.00am till 1.00pm. Why not take a picnic?

**14 August** – Exeter City FC Veterans a talk by Martin Weiller at 6.30pm in the Higher Cemetery Chapel. Adults £3 accompanied children £1.

## Creation Celebration

We had a beautiful service to celebrate creation on Saturday. People from churches and organisations across Exeter came together to sing, praise and reflect on the magnificence of God's creation and the fragility of our common home. The church was decorated with fantastic bunting made by the children of St. Nicholas School, along with flags representing the nations of the world. We had sustainable flower displays created by our amazing flower arrangers and a host of symbols for our procession representing different aspects of the earth including lots of soft toy animals kindly loaned to us by the children of Wonford Methodist church. The star of the show was an amazing wall hanging gracing our altar, which was handcrafted by our sewing and knitting group. We were supported by an ecumenical group of musicians who did a splendid job keeping us all in tune. We followed all this with a vegan lunch and the sun shone down on us. Thanks to everyone who helped including our photographers and all who joined in on the day.

---

*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

# Mass Times

---

## Sunday 4 August

*18th in Ordinary Time*

8.45am *People of the Parish*

10.45am

6.00pm

---

## Monday 5 August

No Convent Mass

---

## Tuesday 6 August

*The Transfiguration  
of the Lord*

No Mass

---

## Wednesday 7 August

9.30am

4.00pm Hospital Mass

---

## Thursday 8 August

*St James Dominic*

9.30am

---

## Friday 9 August

*St Teresa Benedicta  
of the Cross*

No Convent Mass

9.30am

---

## Saturday 10 August

*St Lawrence*

9.30am *Ciaran O'Leary RIP  
and Maria Fields RIP*

---

## Sunday 11 August

*19th in Ordinary time*

8.45am

10.45am

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

---

## Monday 12 August

No Convent Mass

---

## Tuesday 13 August

6.30pm *Valdi Pala RIP*

---

## Wednesday 14 August

*St Maximillian Mary Kolbe*

9.30am

4.00pm RD&E Hospital

---

## Thursday 15 August

*The Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary  
Holyday of Obligation*

9.30am *For the repose of the  
soul of Nicola's husband and for  
the comfort of the family*

7.00pm

---

## Friday 16 August

No Convent Mass

9.30am

---

## Saturday 17 August

9.30am

---

## Sunday 18 August

*20th in Ordinary Time*

8.45am

*Aleksander Szytko RIP*

10.45am *People of the Parish*

6.00pm

---

## Confessions

---

Saturday 10.00am Church

---

## Adoration

---

There will be No adoration  
on Tuesdays at the Convent  
during August.

First Wednesday each  
month Lady chapel at  
Sacred Heart 7.00pm

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

---

## The Word

---

### Sunday 4 August

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23  
*What does a man gain for all  
his toil?*

Psalm Response

*O that today you would  
listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.*

---

### Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5.9-11  
*You must look for the things  
that are in heaven,  
where Christ is.*

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

*This hoard of yours, whose will  
it be?*

---

### Sunday 11 August

First Reading

Wisdom 18:6-9

*By the same act with which you  
took vengeance on your foes  
you made us glorious by calling  
us to you.*

Psalm Response

*Happy are the people the  
Lord has chosen as his own.*

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19

*Abraham looked forward to a  
city founded, designed and built  
by God.*

Gospel

Luke 12:32-48

*You too must stand ready.*

---

### Sunday 18 August

First Reading

Jeremiah 38:4-6.8-10

*You have borne me to be a man  
of dissension for all the land.*

Psalm Response

*Lord come to my aid!*

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5.9-11

*You must look for the things  
that are in heaven,  
where Christ is.*

Gospel

Luke 12:49-53

*I am not here to bring peace,  
but rather division.*

---