# ParishNews



**Blessed Sacrament Parish** Heavitree Exeter **14 March 2021.** Fourth Sunday of Lent. Laetare Sunday Year B



## God sent his Son, so that through him the world might be saved

There were two remarkable moments in the story of the Old Testament where God saved his people; one was in the escape from Egypt – we'll keep that for the Easter Vigil. The other was the end of their second exile, this time in Babylon, which we hear of today.

Of course there was an even greater moment when God saved his people: the work of Jesus Christ, the Son of God – and we hear Jesus tell Nicodemus about that today. Today's theme is 'salvation': but to understand 'being saved', we must ask "What from?" Saved from slavery, from exile, from human enemies – these are all clear. But the last and greatest salvation brought by Jesus is harder to understand: saved from sin and death. These threaten us as much as any other enemy, and our salvation in Jesus is as real as any other.

#### 21 March 2021. Fifth Sunday of Lent.



## If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest

In the weeks of Lent so far we have followed God's work of salvation: we have seen the Covenants he established with Noah, Abraham, Moses and the people of Israel after the return from Babylon. Now we come to one of the most significant parts of the Old Testament: the promise of a brand new Covenant, which will be different from all those that went before. This Covenant will see God and Man living more closely together. For the ratification of a Covenant, something was always sacrificed as a sign

of the new relationship – normally man would offer some animal offering to God. But the New Covenant will be ratified not with the death of sheep or bull, but by the death of Jesus Christ, God and Man. In this perfect sacrifice is the source of our eternal salvation.

## Laetare Sunday 14 March

Today we celebrate Laetare Sunday. Laetare is the Latin word for 'to rejoice'.

It doesn't feel as though we have much to rejoice about this year. We are still in lockdown and things are only improving slowly. But just as there are signs of spring emerging, the buds on the trees, the bulbs blooming and the days getting longer, so there are signs of improvement in the situation surrounding the pandemic; the roll out of vaccines, schools filled once more and the numbers of those seriously ill also dropping. In the Church we are rejoicing because we are coming closer to the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Just as the disciples' despair at his death on the cross turned to joy and exaltation at his rising from the dead, so we place our hope once more in the promises he makes to us, that death has been defeated and the Light of his life has overcome the darkness of fear.

Today we also celebrate Mothering Sunday. We give thanks for the gift of motherhood and pray especially for all the mothers of our community, both living and dead. We pray for those mothers who have suffered the loss of their children and loved ones and we pray too for those who long to be mothers, that the Lord may bless them with the gift of children. May Mary, the Mother of Jesus bring consolation, peace and joy.

#### Resumption of Public Worship

Public worship will resume at Blessed Sacrament on Palm Sunday 28 March. Sunday Masses will be at the usual times of 8.45, 10.45am and 6.00pm.

The rules on track and trace, hand sanitising, the wearing of face masks, social distancing and no mixing of households will still apply. Because of this there will be a limit on the number of places available at all services and we will be employing a booking system for Palm Sunday and the Easter Triduum. **Bookings can now be made, preferably by email, to the parish office.** 

All liturgies of the Easter Triduum and all Sunday and weekday Masses will be streamed live from the church on the <u>Blessed Sacrament YouTube channel</u>.

#### Confessions

We will be offering several occasions for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the early days of Holy Week.

#### Stewards

The majority of our stewards are happy to resume their duties but to share the load if anyone would like to join them please let the parish office know so that they can be added to the rota.

#### Track & Trace Forms

To further protect our stewards we are adopting a different method of track and trace. Attached to this newsletter is a sheet of forms. These should be printed off and one completed for each individual or 'bubble/family' coming to the church. Please hand this to the steward who will greet you as you arrive. For anyone unable to print a form or who does not have access to these instructions there will be some available at the church but to save time and make things easier, and therefore safer for everyone, please bring a form with you. Thank you.

It might feel as though everything is getting back to normal, but things will continue to be different for some time yet. We are sure you will understand.

## Caritas Plymouth News Update - March 2021

Welcome to a short summary of some of the charitable work that Caritas Plymouth is currently engaged in, as well as some of the advocacy and educational work that we hope will contribute to longer term change.

## **Funding Update**

#### Caritas Food Poverty Fund 2021

We are delighted to have received a further £40,000 in February 2021 from the Albert Gubay Charitable Foundation to provide support to individuals and families struggling financially due to the pandemic. This is part of a second donation given to the Catholic Church in England and Wales to support those in most need. The distribution of the funds will be managed by Caritas Plymouth. Bishop Mark welcomed the donation: 'We are immensely thankful for this second, very generous grant that the Diocese of Plymouth has received. We know from our work in 2020 that the ongoing pandemic is having a negative impact on everyone, but in particular on individuals and families who are struggling financially. May the Lord continue to bless the Gubay family for their continued commitment to providing practical support to those most in need at this time.'

The funds will be distributed in two ways:

- Support for organisations providing food hampers or vouchers (managed by Caritas Plymouth). For details email: <a href="mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk">caritas@prcdtr.org.uk</a> or call 01364 645421. Applications will only be accepted from organisations and not from individuals.
- Grants for essential items for families (managed by the Catholic Children's Society Plymouth). For details email: <a href="mailto:ccs@prcdtr.org.uk">ccs@prcdtr.org.uk</a> or call 01364 645420.

#### **Intergenerational Project**

Caritas Plymouth has been awarded £30,000 by Care Home Friends and Neighbours to develop an Intergenerational Linking project. This will be led by the Caritas team who support and enable social action projects across the diocese, working in partnership with Plymouth CAST, the Catholic Multi-Academy Trust. The project will build on our existing experience linking schools and older people. We have seen for ourselves the benefits of intergenerational projects; enriching lives, developing new skills, giving a sense of living history to younger people and keeping older people connected to a rapidly changing world. Our long-term aim is to connect social action in parishes and schools to bring together our older population with young people in our schools. For more click <a href="https://example.com/here-en/by-new-com/here-en/by-new-change-en/by-new-c

#### Justice and Peace - Growing our Justice and Peace Work

An Invitation from Caritas Plymouth

- Are you concerned about injustice in our world?
- Do you feel the need to take action and make your voice heard?
- Would you like support and encouragement?
- · Are you already taking action and want to inspire others?

If the answer is yes, then please get in touch. We are looking to grow the Justice and Peace activities in the Diocese of Plymouth to offer:

- Connections between existing Justice and Peace groups to share ideas.
- Opportunities for action.
- Access to related agencies.
- Friendship, solidarity and mutual support.

Email us on <a href="mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk">caritas@prcdtr.org.uk</a> to find out more or call Deborah on 01364 645421.

## **Community Sponsorship**

#### Welcome to the UK

We are delighted that the Diocese of Plymouth has welcomed its first refugee family as part of the national Community Sponsorship Scheme. A family of five is now being supported in their journey to create a new life in the UK with the help and support of a committed group of volunteers from across the local town. We all wish them every success and happiness. If your parish is interested in Community Sponsorship, please get in touch with us. Caritas will be holding an event later this year to share more information about this wonderful scheme and how parishes can get involved.

## **Exeter Waymakers**

Exeter Waymakers is a small group of parishioners from the three Exeter Catholic parishes. We are aiming to welcome and support a refugee family resettling in Exeter as part of the UK government community sponsorship scheme. We work closely with CARITAS Plymouth, our lead sponsor, and are being mentored by CHARIS, a church group from Taunton that have already successfully resettled several refugee families. Keep an eye out for Parish News to learn more about our journey and see how you can be involved. For now, start by keeping the team in your prayers.

#### **CAFOD Walk for Water**

Craig and Michelle Ayles are Walking for Water to raise money for CAFOD. To donate go to their Just Giving page <a href="here.">here.</a>

## Archbishop Oscar Romero Anniversary - Ecumenical Service

Saturday, 13 March 11am-12pm Join the livestream for an ecumenical service from St Martin-in-the-Fields to mark the 41 anniversary of the martyrdom of Archbishop Romero. <u>Use this link</u> to enter the livestream

#### Scam Aware

Criminals are using Covid-19 as a chance to target victims with fraudulent emails, phone calls, texts messages or social media posts, including victims in our congregations and networks. For information on scams, visit Cyber Aware ncsc.gov.uk/cyberaware/home

#### Days of accompanied prayer - Online individually guided retreats

The Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group continues to offer one-to-one days of accompanied prayer i.e. online individually guided retreats for three, four, five or six days. (Available via phone also) to suit people's individual circumstances.

A flier is attached to publicise this opportunity.

Members of the Ignatian Spirituality Group are experienced guides, who have received training in relation to Ignatian spirituality and include priests, deacons and lay people. Dates can be arranged to suit individuals. For further information, or to book those who are interested can contact the Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group by email <a href="mailto:diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk">diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk</a> or telephone: 01752 769164 or 07823447637.

There may be many who need to explore, make sense and reflect on the presence of God in their everyday lives, during the present challenging times, or perhaps in the more painful moments experienced recently. A number of people including those working from home have found this a valuable opportunity, including those who were new to the experience.

## Patchwork Parenting courses

Following feedback from parents earlier this year, we have now set up our 'Parenting through the Primary Years' and 'Hormones and Harmony' courses online to be run in the evenings from the beginning of March. These online courses are designed to be open to everyone as they are Diocesan, rather than school specific and we are hoping by offering courses in the evening, more parents will be able to access our free support. These online courses have been advertised on our CCSP Facebook page and have been sent out through the CAST school network. **See attachments for details.** 

#### Lockdown Lowdowns

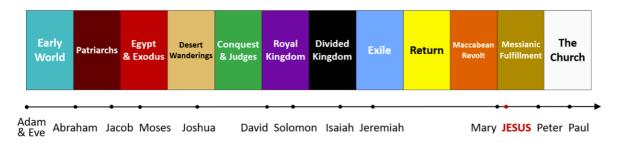
In the absence of being able to support parents face to face during the last twelve months, we offered several virtual support sessions towards the end of 2020 and would now like to offer some more. Parents and carers from across the Diocese can access support online to discuss the joys and difficulties of raising children. These are added to the events section on the <u>Catholic Children's Society Facebook</u> Page on a regular basis so if you are on Facebook, please do like our page to receive news and regular updates on our fundraising events. Next sessions are on Wednesday 10 March at 1.00pm and Thursday 11 march at 8.00pm. Join Zoom meeting with ID 360 144 9135 Password KUVUP8 If you would like to help support the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) in your parish, we are still looking for Parish Volunteers – please contact Vicki on 01364 645420 or email <a href="mailto:vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk">vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk</a>

## The Glory of the Cross

In the March edition of CTe-News (Christians Together in England) is the Reflection of the Month: The Glory of the Cross by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, *the Archbishop of Westminster, President of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, and a President of Churches Together in England.* You can see this reflection <a href="https://example.com/here.">here.</a>



#### 12 Periods, One Story!



#### The Bible Timeline Course

Understand the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this **FREE OF CHARGE**, worldwide-famous course delivered online LIVE by Mauro Lannicelli.

The Bible can be quite intimidating, due to its size and complexity. Many Catholics long to read the Bible, but they don't know how. The Bible Timeline Study System, developed by Jeff Cavins, uses a phenomenal approach which actually works! It divides the whole Bible into 12 colour-coded periods, easy to understand and memorise. The course walks you through each of the periods. This way, you will clearly see how the many characters and events in Scripture are related to each other in one unified narrative, from Adam and Eve to Jesus Christ. You will grasp the Big Picture of the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, ...for life! Each live-streamed session has a time of discussion with Q&A. Bible readings and teaching summary notes will be available. The course starts on **7 April** at 7.00pm (8 Wednesday evenings). Register at <a href="https://www.comeandsee.org">www.comeandsee.org</a>

#### Wednesday Word Scripture Reflection

Wednesday Word meets online via the Zoom app on Wednesday at 2.00pm and reflect together on the Gospel for the coming Sunday. If you would like to join and receive email notifications, please email: <a href="mailto:exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk">exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk</a>

## GIFT Growing in Faith Together March update

We met with parents via zoom on Saturday 6 March to discuss one of our next God Calls Resources: Prophets and Heroes. This month families are supported to focus on Prophets and Heroes:

- · Who do we see as modern-day prophets and heroes?
- · How can we as parents be a prophetic voice in our families?
- · How can we remain faithful to God and encourage our families to be faithful in the everyday events of family life?

**WHAT IS GIFT?** GIFT is for all families of faith: for families who have already made their Holy Communion or for families with children who are looking forward to receiving this sacrament; for families with older children who want to be confirmed in their faith; for families with younger children who want to experience and grow in faith in a simple and enjoyable way.

#### **BEDTIME CHATS**

All of the Bedtime Chats can be found on the Blessed Sacrament Website GIFT page: https://www.blessedsacrament.org.uk/parish-life/gift/

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

Our next parents zoom session is on Saturday 10th April. If you would like to join us, please get in touch with Maria exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk

## Fairtrade Real Easter Egg www.realeasteregg.co.uk

The 2021 Fairtrade Real Easter Egg range has moved online as supermarkets have failed to make space for the UK's only egg which shares the Easter story. The Real Easter Egg has been on sale since 2010. The 2021 Real Easter Egg includes a new 24 page Easter story activity book. It features a rainbow design to remind us of the importance of working together, in amazing and inspiring ways, for the common good. Cost £4.50 and is delivered in multiples of six or as singles.

#### Bible in a Year

Fr Mike Schmitz, a chaplain and a professor at the University of Minnesota, has recorded 365 daily podcasts of the Bible. The podcasts provide commentary, reflection and prayer along the way. Bible in a Year Podcast follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure Bible Timeline, a ground-breaking approach to understanding salvation history developed by renowned Catholic Bible scholar Jeff Cavins. By listening to Bible in a Year, you are not only listening to an excellent podcast that will help you read and understand the Bible, you are showing the world that this matters. https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration.

#### The Pope tweets...

All of us have spiritual infirmities that we cannot heal on our own. We need Jesus' healing, we need to present our wounds to him and say: "Jesus, I am in your presence, with my sin, with my sorrows. You can set me free. Heal my heart"

#### Pilgrimage of Healing and Thanksgiving

Bishop Mark plans to be the spiritual leader of a gently paced pilgrimage to the Holy Land in early March 2022. It will be a full programme of visits to the Holy Sites and staying in Christian accommodation in the hills of Samaria and Judea and closing with three nights at the Sea of Galilee. Places are limited to a total of 30. For further detail and to register your interest please contact Della Shenton on <a href="mailto:della@5gr.org">della@5gr.org</a>.

#### Exeter Foodbank - Food Shortages

Can you help by donating any of the following from the March priority items list: **sponge puddings, tinned fish (particularly tuna), rice pudding, sugar, jam and spreads.** Please ONLY donate items from the list. Thank you for your understanding. Collection Points - Sainsbury's (Alphington/Pinhoe/Guildhall); Tesco (Exe Vale); Co-Op (Heavitree/St Thomas); Waitrose (Gladstone Rd)

You can also give a donation online at exeter.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/



## National Novena to St Joseph

In this Year dedicated to St Joseph, the Mill Hill Missionaries are preparing for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach. The Novena will take place from **10-18 March** at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Masses from St. Joseph's Church will be available to follow on zoom and YouTube Via the parish website <a href="stjosephsparish.co.uk">stjosephsparish.co.uk</a> and the <a href="Mill Hill website">Mill Hill website</a> where you will also find the Novena prayer leaflet you can use to join in by praying the daily Novena prayer

## Right To Life UK

Ask your MP to attend a parliamentary event on the dangers of DIY abortion. Governments are currently deciding on whether to make permanent the temporary measure allowing 'DIY' home abortions in England, Wales and Scotland. The All-Party Parliamentary Pro-Life Group will be hosting a parliamentary event on Tuesday 23 March where experts will cover the latest evidence on how 'DIY' home abortions are placing women at risk. Right To Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool that will enable members of the public to contact their MPs asking them to attend this event: click <a href="here.">here.</a>

## Online Marriage Enrichment Course

From Worldwide Marriage Encounter 20-21 March and 15-16 May. An opportunity to learn from couples who are willing to share their personal journeys and tools for reclaiming the spark and living in love together. The course helps couples to listen, share and connect more deeply. It is for all couples regardless of how long they have been together. There is no group discussion, it is just about learning to be the best, most loving couple you can be. For more information and booking forms click <a href="https://example.com/here-en/based-en/b

## **Baptism Preparation Courses 2021**

Are you looking to have your child baptised next year? We look forward to spiritually supporting you in preparation for this important sacrament and welcoming you and your family into our parish family. Courses are delivered via zoom over two consecutive Saturday mornings from 10:00-11:15. The next course dates for 2021 are:

#### 17/24 April 10/17 July, and 9/16 October

Please get in touch with Fr Jonathan to let him know you would like to prepare to have your child baptised. You will then be directed to Lesley Hooper who organises registration for the course. <a href="mailto:exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk">exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk</a> or 07712 216724

#### Pope's March Intention

Intention for evangelisation – Sacrament of reconciliation. Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God. View: The Pope Video <a href="here">here</a>

#### Pope Francis on Mercy

Mercy, which always rejects wickedness, takes the human person in great earnest. Mercy always appeals to the goodness of each person, even though it be dormant and numbed. Far from bringing destruction, as we so often desire or want to bring about ourselves, mercy seeks to transform each situation from within. Herein lies the mystery of divine mercy. It seeks and invites us to conversion, it invites us to repentance; it invites us to see the damage being done at every level. Mercy always pierces evil in order to transform it. It is the mystery of God our Father; He sends His Son who pierced into what was evil, He took on sin in order to transform evil. This is His mercy.

## **Easter Offerings**

The Easter Offering is a gift to the parish priest. If you wish to make an Easter Offering and are not attending Mass on Easter Sunday, please put your offering in an envelope marked Easter Offering and place in the collection basket on arrival at any of the Masses. Alternatively, you can make a donation online to PRCDTR Heavitree RC Parish, Sort Code: 524160 Account: 06036007 ref: Easter. Or send a cheque made payable to PRCDTR Heavitree RC Parish and post or deliver to the Presbytery.

## For all the Saints...

#### 17 March St Patrick (385 - 461)

He was born in Roman Britain around the end of the 4th century, and died in Ireland about the middle of the 5th century. As a missionary bishop, he endured many hardships and faced opposition even from his friends and fellow Christians. Nevertheless, he worked hard to conciliate, to evangelize, and to educate local chieftains and their families. He is remembered for his simplicity and pastoral care, for his humble trust in God, and for his fearless preaching of the gospel to the very people who had enslaved him in his youth.

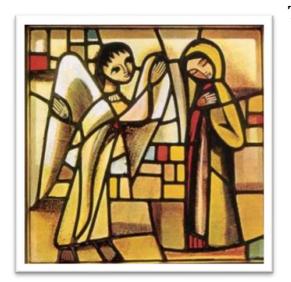


#### 19 March St Joseph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Nothing is known of St Joseph except what is said of him in the Gospels. He was a carpenter; he accepted the will of God; and he supported Mary and brought up Jesus. From the human character of his son we can see that he was a good and responsible father. He is widely venerated as a patron of artisans who honourably do good work with the gifts God has given them, and of workers in general. To those who exercise the role of an adoptive parent, whether formally or informally, whether over one child or as the support of a whole family, he is a source of inspiration. To celebrate the Feast of St Joseph on 19 March, Fr Michael Hall explores the Old and New Testaments to discover what we know about Joseph and his unique role alongside Mary and Jesus. Click here.



#### 25 March The Annunciation of the Lord



The Solemnity of the Annunciation celebrates the coming of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce to her the special mission God had chosen for her in being the mother of His only son. We are continually reminded of the importance of this feast to our salvation in various devotional prayers. Two examples that highlight the importance of this feast are the joyous mysteries of the Rosary and the Angelus. The feast of the Annunciation began to be celebrated on this day during the fourth and fifth centuries, soon after the date for celebrating Christmas was universalized throughout the Church. This feast celebrates the Incarnation of the Second

Person of the Trinity and the salvation of all mankind. This point of our salvation was deeply discussed by many of the Church fathers, to explain it to the faithful and to show the deep love God has for us. Some of the Church fathers who wrote on this were St. Athanasius, St. Gregory of Nyssa and St. Augustine.

## **Mass Times**

All Masses streamed live on YouTube

## Sunday 14 March

4th Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday

10.45am People of the Parish

Tuesday 16 March

**6.30pm** Dorothy Stannard RIP

Wednesday 17 March

St Patrick Bishop & Missionary

Patron of Ireland

9.30am

Thursday 18 March

9.30am

Friday 19 March

St Joseph

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6.30pm

Saturday 20 March

9.30am

#### Sunday 21 March

5th Sunday of Lent

 ${\bf 10.45am}\ \textit{People of the Parish}$ 

Tuesday 23 March

6.30pm

Wednesday 24 March

9.30am

Thursday 25 March

The Annunciation of the Lord

9.30am

Friday 26 March

Pray for survivors and victims

of sexual abuse

6.30pm

Saturday 27 March

9.30am

**CLOCKS GO FORWARD ONE HOUR** 

#### Sunday 28 March

Palm Sunday of the Passion

of the Lord

8.45am People of the Parish

10.45am

6.00pm

Tuesday 30 March

6.30pm

Wednesday 31 March

12.00 Chrism Mass streamed live from

Plymouth Cathedral

Thursday 1 April

Maundy Thursday

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

7.00pm

Friday 2 April

Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

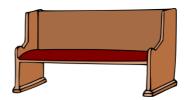
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Saturday 3 April

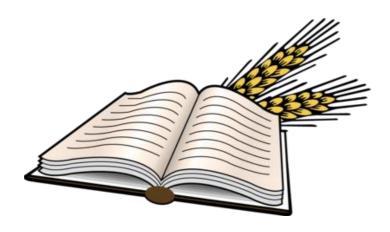
Holy Saturday

The Easter Vigil

8.00pm



Please note: places for Palm Sunday and the Easter Triduum must be booked in advance. Thank you.



# The Word Sunday 14 March

FIRST READING

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

The wrath and mercy of God are revealed in the exile and in the release of his people.

#### **PSALM**

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 2:4-10

You were dead through your sins have been saved through grace.

GOSPEL John 3:14-21

God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved.

## Sunday 21 March

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

I will make a new covenant and will never call their sin to mind.

**PSALM** 

A pure heart create for me, O God.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:7-9

He learnt to obey and became for all the source of eternal salvation.

**GOSPEL John 12:20-30** 

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

## Sunday 28 March

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult – I know I shall not be shamed.

**PSALM** 

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:6-11

He humbled himself, but God raised him high.

GOSPEL Mark 15:1-9 Shorter form. The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

#### **Blessed Sacrament Live**

Please visit our YouTube channel to find details of scheduled live streams:

**Blessed Sacrament YouTube** 

Blessed Sacrament were really fortunate to be granted a sum of money from the National Lottery Community Fund #NationalLottery to help install the live stream equipment. This is helping to build community and to support people in isolation within our city!



#### Virtual Coffee after Livestreamed Sunday Mass

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/875650421 48 is the zoom link. Fr Jonathan will announce the passcode at Mass.

## Parish Information

Parish Priest Fr Jonathan Stewart Priest in retirement Fr John Watkins

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

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Executive Head Teacher Angela Folland

#### **CONVENT**

Sisters of the Presentation of Mary Mount St Mary Convent, Wonford Road, EX2 4PF 01392 433301

Deadline for newsletter items 4.00pm Wednesday.

#### Your Offering

We are enormously grateful for your continued generosity to the parish. Please remember that the most efficient way for you to give is by standing order. Forms are available by emailing the parish office. Arrangements are made directly with your bank. And if you can, please GiftAid your contribution.

#### Parish News by Post & Email

If you know someone who would like to receive the parish news by post, with their permission please give their name and address to the parish office by phoning or emailing and we will arrange to get a copy to them. If they have an email address please ask them to email the parish office and they can be added to the circulation list.

#### Dial-a-Mass

For those who do not have the internet or computer the Mass is recorded and put on the telephone at 12 midday on Sundays and will stay until 11.59 the following Sunday. For the cost of a local call they can listen to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Dial 01642 130120

## The Bishops' Conference

Regular updates from the Bishops' Conference can be found at ccn@cbcew.org.uk

#### Getting married?

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

## **Churches Together Devon**

The latest Churches Together Devon News is available <u>here.</u>

## **Churches Together Exeter**

The latest Churches Together England News is available here.