

# CATHOLIC EXETER



Parishes of Sacred Heart and Blessed Sacrament  
1 May 2022 Third Sunday of Easter. Year C. *Psalter Wk 3*

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Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish.

The rest of the world has settled 'back to normal' after the Easter holiday, but we continue to dwell on the resurrection of Jesus and the growth of the Church. Today's Gospel, which many people consider the most beautiful of the

resurrection stories, has many themes: the failed fishing trip, the inability of Peter to recognise the risen Jesus, the miracle of the 153 fish and the simple, powerful reassuring words of Jesus to his confused disciples: 'Come and have breakfast.' We can all find ourselves a place in this Gospel story, as we continue to wonder at the resurrection.

# MASS TIMES BLESSED SACRAMENT



## **Sunday 1 May** – Third Sunday of Easter

- 8.45am *Trevor & Cally Baker – Golden Wedding Anniversary*  
10.45am *People of the Parish*  
6.00pm *Peace in our hearts and the world.*

## **Tuesday 3 May** – SS Philip & James, Apostles – Feast

6.30pm

## **Wednesday 4 May** – The English Martyrs – Feast

9.30am *Special Intention*

## **Thursday 5 May** – St Richard Reynolds – Memorial

9.30am *For the protection of our extended family the church*

## **Friday 6 May**

6.30pm *Michael Olivant RIP*

## **Saturday 7 May**

9.30am

## **Sunday 8 May** – Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 8.45am *Blessings on all God's people*  
10.45am *People of the Parish*  
5.00pm *Holy Hour for Vocations*  
6.00pm

## Confessions

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass and on reasonable request.

## Live stream

All Masses and liturgies are now being live-streamed. [Click here](#)

## Refreshments

Served after 9.30am Mass on Wednesdays.

*If you would be willing to be on a rota to serve refreshments after the 10.45am Mass on Sundays we would love to hear from you. Please contact the Parish Office.*

# MASS TIMES SACRED HEART



## **Sunday 24 April** – Third Sunday of Easter

5.30pm Sat *Jozeh Prywata RIP*  
9.15am *People of the Parish*  
11.15am *Holy Souls (Box)*

## **Monday 2 May** – St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor – Memorial

10.00am *Maud Schneeberger RIP*

## **Tuesday 3 May** – SS Philip & James, Apostles – Feast

10.00am *In Thanksgiving*

## **Wednesday 4 May** – The English Martyrs – Feast

10.00am *In Thanksgiving*

## **Thursday 5 May** – St Richard Reynolds – Memorial

10.00am *For Ukraine*

## **Friday 6 May**

10.00am *Private Intention*

## **Saturday 7 May**

10.00am *Intentions of the CWL*

## **Sunday 1 May** – Fourth Sunday of Easter

5.30pm (Sat)  
9.15am  
11.15am *People of the Parish*  
5.00pm *Holy Hour for Vocations*

## Confessions

Saturdays after 10.00am Mass and 4.00–5.00pm and on reasonable request.

## Live stream

All Masses and liturgies are now being live-streamed. [Click here.](#)

## Refreshments

Tea & Coffee after Masses on Sunday (9.15am), Tuesday & Saturday

## Church open

for private prayer from 9.30am until 6.00pm each day.

# PETER Love without limits

Peter was a man of strength of soul and deep faith, a man who becomes the centre of leadership in the Church. He still has a few rough edges, however.

In today's gospel, he tells the other disciples that he is going fishing. We might have expected something more profound in those days after the resurrection



from the first pope! When the apostolic group catches nothing, Jesus appears on shore; he tells them to cast their net to starboard. The miraculous catch of fish symbolizes the bringing of all people into the reach of God's mercy. The church will gather, into one unbroken net, men and women of every race, colour, and nationality. Like the apostles, everyone has been summoned by Jesus to extend God's kingdom everywhere. We are to bear effective witness, to go out and preach in his name to a world that does not always want to hear the truth. We are

called to share in the mission of fishing for souls. None of us should ever rest until all peoples throughout the world embrace the gospel.

Peter had a deep love for Jesus, but not deep enough. On the night of the Last Supper, he thought he could die for Jesus, but he was wrong. When the test came, Peter came up short. Like Peter, we tend to overestimate our own readiness to follow Jesus. We do fine under ordinary circumstances, but when difficult moments come – temptations, opposition, even persecution – we fail. We come up short like Peter did. We love the Lord, but not enough. Jesus' reaction to us is the same: He does not lose confidence in us. He does not let us off the hook. He expects us to grow into the job.

*The Job Is Yours: Keep Working on the Qualifications* What is Peter's shortcoming? His love was real, but there were still things greater than his love – his fear for instance. To be the first Pope, he needed a love without limits. That is why Jesus asks him three times: "Do you love me?" He is telling Peter that the qualification for the job is unlimited love. Peter must have an unlimited love to be the rock on which Jesus builds his Church. Jesus is not letting him off the hook. He is not giving the job to someone else. Peter must get that love, just as we must develop an unlimited love to qualify for the tasks in life that Jesus has given us. Amen.

*Fr Anil*

# NEWS



## Bishop Mark appointed Archbishop of Cardiff

Last Wednesday, it was announced that the Holy Father has appointed Bishop Mark to be the Archbishop of Cardiff and the Bishop of Menevia, these two dioceses being united *in persona Episcopi* (in the person of the Bishop). This process of transition will take two months, during which time Bishop Mark will continue to lead our diocese with the more limited powers of a Diocesan Administrator. Once Bishop Mark has formally been installed into his new dioceses on 20 June, our Cathedral Chapter of Canons will meet to elect a priest to be our Diocesan Administrator and, with the help of other members of the clergy and diocesan officers, he will lead and oversee the daily life and mission of our diocese, its parishes and schools until a successor to Bishop Mark is appointed by the Holy Father in due course.

During the period until a new diocesan bishop is appointed, the ancient principle *sede vacante, nihil innovetur* (when the diocese has no bishop, nothing new may be done) must be observed whereby there is a limit to the decisions and actions that can be taken. However, this certainly does not mean everything must come to a halt. The Gospel of Salvation must continue to be proclaimed and the life and

mission of the Church in the Diocese of Plymouth carried forward, albeit in anticipation of the gift of a new successor to the Apostles to lead us and, through whose communion with the Bishop of Rome, our diocese is fully united with the Catholic Church throughout the world.

During this time of transition, our **primary task** as a diocese and in our parishes will be to unite together in earnest prayer that:

- the Holy Spirit will guide all those involved in the process leading to the appointment of a new bishop for our diocese;
- the one who is called to take on this essential apostolic ministry among us will be given the generosity and courage to accept it;
- we - the clergy, consecrated men and women and lay faithful of the diocese - will welcome our new bishop with joy and respond eagerly to his leadership in faith and mission.

A Diocesan Mass of Thanksgiving for the leadership and ministry of Bishop Mark as Bishop of Plymouth will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth, on Monday 30 May at 12noon.

## Wstawka do biuletynów parafialnych

W ubiegłą środę ogłoszono, że Ojciec Święty mianował biskupa Marka arcybiskupem Cardiff i biskupem Menevii, te dwie diecezje są zjednoczone in persona Episcopi (w osobie biskupa). Ten proces przejściowy potrwa dwa miesiące, podczas których biskup Mark będzie nadal kierował naszą diecezją z bardziej ograniczonymi uprawnieniami administratora diecezjalnego. Gdy 20 czerwca biskup Marek zostanie formalnie ustanowiony w swoich nowych diecezjach, nasza katedralna Kapituła Kanoników spotka się, aby wybrać kapłana na pozycje naszego Administratora Diecezjalnego i z pomocą innych członków duchowieństwa i urzędników diecezjalnych będzie on prowadził i nadzorował codzienne życie i misję naszej diecezji, łącznie z parafiami i szkołami, dopóki następcą biskupa Marka nie zostanie wyznaczony przez Ojca Świętego we właściwym czasie.

W okresie do czasu mianowania nowego biskupa diecezjalnego należy przestrzegać starożytnej zasady sede vacante, nihil innovetur (gdy diecezja nie ma biskupa, nic nowego nie można zrobić), zgodnie z którą istnieje ograniczenie decyzji i działań, które można podjąć. Jednak to z pewnością nie oznacza, że wszystko musi się zatrzymać. Ewangelia zbawienia musi być nadal głoszona, a życie i misja Kościoła w diecezji Plymouth kontynuowane, w tym czasie oczekiwaniu na dar nowego następcy Apostołów, który nas poprowadzi i przez którego komuniję z Biskupem Rzymu nasza diecezja jest w pełni zjednoczona z Kościołem katolickim na całym świecie.

W tym okresie przejściowym naszym głównym zadaniem jako diecezji i w naszych parafiach będzie zjednoczenie się w żarliwej modlitwie, aby:

- Duch Święty poprowadzi wszystkich zaangażowanych w proces prowadzący do mianowania nowego biskupa dla naszej diecezji;
- Ten, kto jest powołany do podjęcia tej istotnej posługi apostołskiej wśród nas, otrzyma wielkoduszność i odwagę, by ją przyjąć;
- my — duchowieństwo, osoby konsekrowane i wierni świeccy diecezji — przyjmijmy z radością naszego nowego biskupa i chętnie odpowiemy na jego prowadzenie w wierze i misji.

Diecezjalna Msza św. dziękczynna za prowadzenie i posługę biskupa Marka jako biskupa Plymouth zostanie odprawiona w katedrze Najświętszej Marii Panny i św. Bonifacego w Plymouth w poniedziałek, 30 maja, o godz. 12.00.

## Exeter Blitz 3 & 4 May 1942

On Monday 2 May there will be an 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event at various sites in Exeter. Please see the [Visit Exeter website](#) for details. Sacred Heart Arts Group have been invited to be part of a display in St. Stephens Church in the High Street between 10.00am and 5.00pm. The group will use stories and material gathered for the Blitz Drama they presented for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2017. The display focuses on South Street and the key part played by Priests, Ministers, the Sisters from Palace Gate Convent and lay members of both Sacred Heart and the Baptist Church in preventing both from being destroyed. This anniversary event is particularly poignant in view of the continuing use of wanton destruction of cities as a weapon of war as is happening in the Ukraine today.

## Good Shepherd Vocations Sunday World Day of Prayer for Vocations

**Sunday 8 May.** Pope Francis writes "Dear friends, on this day in particular, but also in the ordinary pastoral life of our communities, I ask the Church to continue to promote vocations. May she touch the hearts of the faithful and enable each of them to discover with gratitude God's call in their lives, to find courage to, 'yes' to God." There will be a retiring collection for the Bishop's Seminarian Fund to fund the formation of our future priests. There are gift aid envelopes available if you would like to gift aid your donation.

## Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Camps 2022

This year our camps will be meeting at Grangehurst, at Buckfast Abbey, for the Junior and Senior Camps, and St Rita's in Honiton for the St Petroc's Camp. Junior Camp 7th August – 12th August (Grangehurst. School years 3–6). Senior Camp 31st July – 5th August (Grangehurst. School years 7–10). St Petroc's Camp 31st July – 5th August (St Rita's, Honiton. School years 11–12). Camp fee: £210. If you are able to help in any way with Camps this year please see attached information and get in touch: 01364 645360 / email: [info@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:info@prcdtr.org.uk).

# St Nicks News

What lovely weather to start the Summer term at St Nicholas! We hope all parishioners had a happy Easter break.

We have September (Autumn term) spaces in our Nursery for 3 and 4 year old children. We offer the local authority 15 hours funding as well as the extended 30 hour funding for eligible families. Additional hours are charged at £4.30 per hour. We would be delighted to show prospective parents our Nursery in action and to answer any questions they may have about joining our school community. Please contact Mrs Brocksom ([abrocksom@stnics.uk](mailto:abrocksom@stnics.uk) / 01392 445403 option 4) to arrange a visit or to find out more. [St Nicholas School website](#).

## Temporary accommodation required

A gentleman who requires follow up treatment having had a cancer operation is looking for temporary accommodation to rent. He is currently staying with family and friends in Portugal but is very concerned about where he can stay as he needs a follow up operation and a period of recuperation. He is very concerned about his situation, which is having a negative impact on his health. If you can help please contact Blessed Sacrament Parish Office.

## Residential Retreats

Residential silent and individually guided retreats. The retreat house with its large garden and pleasant rural walks nearby is situated near Looe in Cornwall.

July 9-11 (Sat - Mon) Weekend Retreat (£160); July 11- 15 (Mon - Friday)

Midweek Retreat (£320); July 9 -16 (Sat - Sat) 6 day Retreat (£560). Venue:

Sclerder Abbey, near Looe. Cost includes full board & lodging. Please contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at diocesan-

ignatianretreats@prcdtr.org.uk or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637 for further information or booking form.

## Caritas & CAFOD Event

**Care For Our Common Home.** Caritas Plymouth with CAFOD Plymouth is organising an online event from 5.00-6.00pm on Tuesday 24 May during Laudato Sí week 2022, to reflect on how we care for our common home and respond to Pope Francis' invitation to create a new kind of solidarity and a spirit of integral ecology. The event will offer an opportunity to think about the challenges and opportunities facing us and how we are called to act. Please register here

[Caritas April Newsletter](#)

# Catholic Exeter Forming in Faith

We are now running sessions to watch Bishop Barron's series to grow in our understanding of the Mass. Come to all six or dip in and out each week either way, you will feel inspired and spiritually fed. The next sessions will be on Monday 9 May 10.30am till 12.30pm at Sacred Heart and Tuesday 10 May 7.00 – 9.00pm at Blessed Sacrament. Please come and join us.

You're invited to

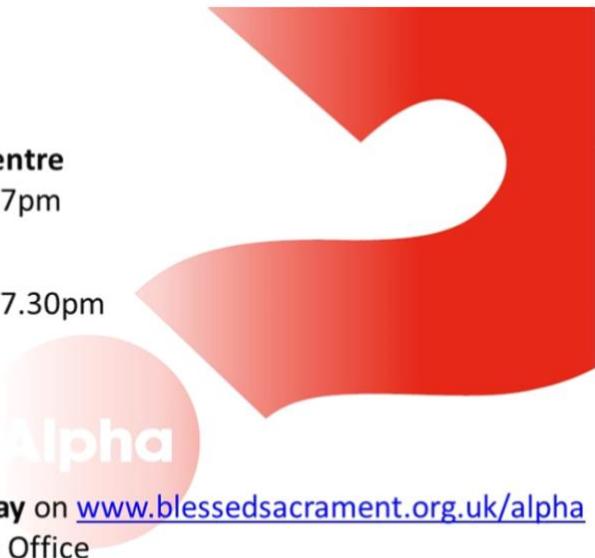
**Try Alpha**

**Richard Reynolds' Centre**

Wednesday 4th May 7pm

**Online**

Wednesday 4th May 7.30pm



Alpha

**Register by 2<sup>nd</sup> of May** on [www.blessedsacrament.org.uk/alpha](http://www.blessedsacrament.org.uk/alpha)  
or contact the Parish Office

Alpha has been changing people's lives around the world and has had a powerful effect on the lives of some of our parishioners. We would love you to share their experience of encountering Jesus Christ and the Church in a dynamic way.

## Baptism Preparation Course

**We are currently taking bookings for the May course.**

Are you expecting a baby and/or looking to have your child baptised? We look forward to supporting you in preparation for this important sacrament and welcoming you and your family into the community of the Church. Courses are over two consecutive Saturday mornings from 10:15-12.00 delivered via Zoom. The course dates are: 14/21 May, 16/23 July and 15/22 October. Godparents are especially welcome to attend the second Saturday session as the role of Godparents is explored. Click on the link at the end of this article to register. If you have any problems accessing this, please contact Lesley in the parish office on 01392 274724 or at [exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk) [Baptism Enquiry form](#)

# Catholic Children's Society Plymouth

## Great Big Diocesan Quiz

We are delighted to announce that we have a new date for our next Great Big Diocesan Quiz, as the last two planned quizzes have been cancelled due to the pandemic. We're looking for parishes to join us on **Friday 1 July at 7.30pm** and we would love to make this our biggest quiz ever. The last quiz in 2019 saw **9 teams** including one school compete for the trophy, which was won on the night by Heretics from Blessed Sacrament and **almost £1500** was raised.



All you need is to find a quiz master and a venue to host your parish quiz and then ask for teams to come forward to compete against each other in your parish on the night and against all the other parishes. If you would like to register an interest to take part or would like to discuss the quiz in more detail, please email [vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk) - all materials will be supplied by CCSP – you just need to find a venue, a quiz master and some teams to compete. Good luck !

## Extend a Hand: Give Hope 2022 Annual Appeal



Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 August

The theme of our CCSP Annual Appeal this year is 'Extend a Hand: Give Hope'. Packs will be sent to all parishes soon and we hope that even more parishes will be able to support this year's annual appeal as 30 parishes helped to raise over £17,000 in 2021. We have just received £875.90 in Gift Aid from last year's donations so it's wonderful if supporters are able to

tick the Gift Aid box if you can, as this money alone can help an extra 5 families through our Essential Grants programme.

## Christmas Card Packs

From November 2022, packs of Christmas cards will be on sale slightly earlier this year following feedback received last year.

## Exposition and Taizé Prayer

7.00pm Wednesday 4 May. Join us for a time of reflection and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

# CAFOD

## **Global repercussions of the invasion of Ukraine.**

Our partner organisation Caritas are on the ground in and around Ukraine responding to this humanitarian crisis. The conflict risks having a ripple effect around the world particularly on wheat and grain supply, especially troubling in countries already struggling with hunger and risk of famine. Our partners are already working with communities to stave off the worst effects of this. Your Lent gifts and support for Walk Against Hunger will make sure vulnerable families in many countries know where their next meal is coming from and it will help them flourish in the long term.

## **Our New Campaign: Fix the Food System**

The global food system is broken. There is enough food to feed everyone in the world, but millions still live in poverty. There is a huge power imbalance between large-scale industrial agriculture, and millions of farmers around the world who grow food on small plots of land to make a living. In addition, the way we produce food is very bad for the planet, our common home. The good news is that there is a better way: many communities supported by CAFOD are producing food in a way that's good for them and good for the earth. The world needs our communities to take urgent action to *fix the food system*. If you're interested in finding out more see [Cafod.org.uk/food](http://Cafod.org.uk/food)

## **Step Into the Gap**

CAFOD offers opportunities for 18–30 year olds to gain experience, develop leadership skills and spend a year in the service of others. This allows them to inspire a generation of people to act for the poorest and most marginalised. If you are interested, or know someone who might be there's [more info here](#).

## **The Gathering**

Saturday 14 May join South West Youth Ministries for the number one regional termly event for youth. Save the date, more details to follow.

## **Youth Events Newsletter** [Available by clicking here](#)

## **Pope Francis tweets...**

Working safely allows everyone to express the best of themselves while earning their daily bread. The more we take care of the dignity of work, the more certain we are that the quality and beauty of the work carried out will increase.

## **Exeter Friends of Ukraine**

Ukrainians living in Devon have created Devon For Ukraine, an online portal to link the various offers of help across the county and Ukrainians coming here, as

well as Exeter Friends of Ukraine, which helps with the logistics of organising donations. For info or to volunteer, please contact:

Devon for Ukraine by emailing Tanya at [support@devonforukraine.com](mailto:support@devonforukraine.com)

Exeter Friends of Ukraine by emailing Shannon at [shannonpack@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:shannonpack@hotmail.co.uk)

Conversation Café by emailing Olya at [olya@maketank.org.uk](mailto:olya@maketank.org.uk)

Blessed Sacrament is still a collection point for donations for Exeter Friends of Ukraine. The updated list of needs is: **Dry Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap, Orthopaedic boots, Crutches, Wheel chairs, Protein bars, Protein drinks, Sweets, Toiletries, Cleaning products, Children's medicine, Tinned meat & fish, All Medicines, Sun cream, Lip balm, Squeezy baby food, Dry foods, Tinned food, Wet wipes, Hair brushes.**

We ask that you only donate the items on the list. Donations are collected to be taken and sorted before loading in to vans which are regularly departing Exeter for Ukraine. Thank you for all your donations

## Learn Ukrainian

Thursday 10 May at 6.30pm at University of Exeter. A Ukrainian Culture and Language Course. More info and booking: [click here](#).

## Conversation Café

A pop-up Conversation Café has been launched in Exeter for Ukrainian refugees and host families to meet up. The Café, located at 6 Paris Street, is the brainchild of Olya Petrakova and Maketank. The Café is a place for local people to address the Ukrainian crisis – especially those who have expressed an interest in hosting refugees, Ukrainians settling in Exeter and the surrounding area, but also for people to find out information, fundraise, meet up and socialise.

The initiative has come about thanks to Maketank, a partnership working with organisations such as Devon for Ukraine, Exeter City Council, City of Sanctuary and others. Please contact Maketank [hello@maketank.org.uk](mailto:hello@maketank.org.uk) for more info

## Catholic Women's League

**The Catholic Women's League pilgrimage to Buckfast Abbey.** Members of the CWL, and parishioners who are not CWL members, are invited to join the annual pilgrimage to Buckfast Abbey on Saturday 14 May. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Mark and followed by tea in the Grange. The cost will be £10, for the coach, which will be payable on the day. The coach will leave South Street at 12 noon and Blessed Sacrament at 12.10pm. To book your place please contact Frances Canning by 1 May at [francesandedward@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:francesandedward@blueyonder.co.uk) or telephone 01392 209542

# Vocations to the Priesthood

## Day of Recollection

A Day of Recollection for men discerning their vocation will be held on Saturday 21 May from 10:00 to 16:00 at Sclerder Abbey, near Looe, Cornwall

The day will include Mass; a time of Adoration; a short conference; opportunity for Confession and 'One to One talks' with serving Priests from our Diocese; and sharing food together (this will be provided – please let us know of special dietary requirements). Under 18s welcome to attend with parents' permission. For further information and to register for the event, please contact Fr Jacek Kostuch on [Jacek.Kostuch@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Jacek.Kostuch@prcdtr.org.uk) by 16 May at the latest. Collection from Liskeard Station before 9.15 and return after can be arranged if needed.

## Welcomed into the life of grace

Please pray for **Irene Gilfillan** and **Chloe Wright** both of whom will be baptised at Blessed Sacrament this Sunday. Please also pray for their parents and Godparents. May the flame of faith and the Holy Spirit grow in their lives as they take their place among God's holy people. Congratulations to them both!

## Contemplative Retreat at St Rita's

**6–13 May.** For those seeking a more contemplative way of praying and living, this silent contemplative retreat with individual guidance provides a step-by-step introduction to the Gries Path of Prayer developed by Fr Franz Jalics SJ. For those familiar with this form of contemplative prayer, the retreat offers the opportunity to refresh and deepen one's prayer. Donations invited: £400 (all rooms ensuite). Please contact the Retreat Co-ordinator: Paddy Rylands [paddyrylands@gmail.com](mailto:paddyrylands@gmail.com) for further details.

## Pope's May prayer intention

For faith filled young people. We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service. See also the Popes' video [here](#)

## Sacred Heart online donations

**All donations are anonymous.** Please use [this link](#) to make your donation. Alternatively, you can go to [Sacred Heart website](#). Scroll down to the 'Parish News' and click the highlighted 'Donate Here' text. There is also a link on our [Facebook Page](#). If you need further guidance email Sacred Heart Parish Office.

# Exeter foodbank News

**April priority items:** UHT milk (1 litre, semi-skimmed), fruit juice, noodle snacks, sugar (500g), washing powder, coffee and fruit squash

Please ONLY donate items from the list. Thank you for your understanding.

Collection Points – Co-Op (Heavitree/St Thomas/Alphington Rd); Tesco (Exe Vale); Sainsbury's Alphington/Pinhoe/Guildhall); Waitrose (Gladstone Rd):

Morrisons & One Stop Woodwater Lane. Or you can donate money online [here](#)

Each week we serve dozens of clients. We have over 160 volunteers and work with over 180 professional agencies across the city.

[Exeter foodbank Spring Newsletter](#)

## GIFT Growing in Faith Together

**What Is GIFT?** GIFT is for families of faith who want to grow in their Catholic faith, meet other families and be supported in their faith journey. It is the gateway to the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

**GIFT Youth:** Fr Albert and our GIFT Youth Team meet with our young people for their own session. [GIFT Youth Registration Form](#).

**Family Prayer:** [Bedtime Chats](#)

**Next GIFT Session:** Saturday 7 May. We look forward to seeing you all then.

**Get in touch and Register:** If you would like to join us, please register using this link: [GIFT Primary Registration Form](#).

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Maria at [exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk)

## Exeter WAYmakers need your support

Please help Exeter WAYmakers. To support our application to be a Community Sponsor we need to raise £9000. Both Exeter parishes have made generous donations to start us off and we want to give you parishioners the opportunity to support this work by your prayers, your volunteering and your individual donations. We want this to be a Catholic community effort across all our parishes so please do support us. Please place any donation in an envelope marked Exeter Waymakers and hand it in to the parish offices. If you wish to make your donation online to a parish account please clearly reference your donation Exeter Waymakers. Many thanks on behalf of the Waymakers Core Group. For more information contact Peter Schranz on [pschranz5@gmail.com](mailto:pschranz5@gmail.com) or Chris Lee.

# THE WORD

## Sunday I May 3rd Sunday of Easter

First Reading – Acts 5:27-32.40-41

*We are witnesses of all this, we and the Holy Spirit.*

Psalm Response: *I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.*

Second Reading – Apocalypse 5:11-14.

*The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given riches and power.*

Gospel – John 21:1-19.

*Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them and the same with the fish.*

## Sunday 8 May 4th Sunday of Easter

First Reading – Acts 13:14.43-52

*We must turn to the pagans.*

Psalm Response: *We are his people, the sheep of his flock*

Second Reading – Apocalypse 7:9.14-17

*The Lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.*

Gospel – John 10:27-30

*I know my sheep and they follow me.*

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*The Church has always venerated the divine Scriptures just as she venerates the body of the Lord, since, especially in the sacred liturgy, she unceasingly receives and offers to the faithful the bread of life from the table both of God's word and of Christ's body. She has always maintained them, and continues to do so, together with sacred tradition, as the supreme rule of faith, since, as inspired by God and committed once and for all to writing, they impart the word of God Himself without change, and make the voice of the Holy Spirit resound in the words of the prophets and Apostles. Therefore, like the Christian religion itself, all the preaching of the Church must be nourished and regulated by Sacred Scripture. For in the sacred books, the Father who is in heaven meets His children with great love and speaks with them; and the force and power in the word of God is so great that it stands as the support and energy of the Church, the strength of faith for her sons, the food of the soul, the pure and everlasting source of spiritual life.*

**Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation *Dei Verbum***

*Solemnly promulgated by His Holiness Pope Paul VI on 18 November 1965.*

# INFO

## Blessed Sacrament

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### Parish Priest

*Fr Jonathan Stewart*

### Priest in retirement

*Fr John Watkins*

### Parish Office

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

10.00am–4.00pm

### Parish Secretary

Lesley Hooper

Blessed Sacrament Gift Aid:

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## Sacred Heart

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