

# CATHOLIC EXETER

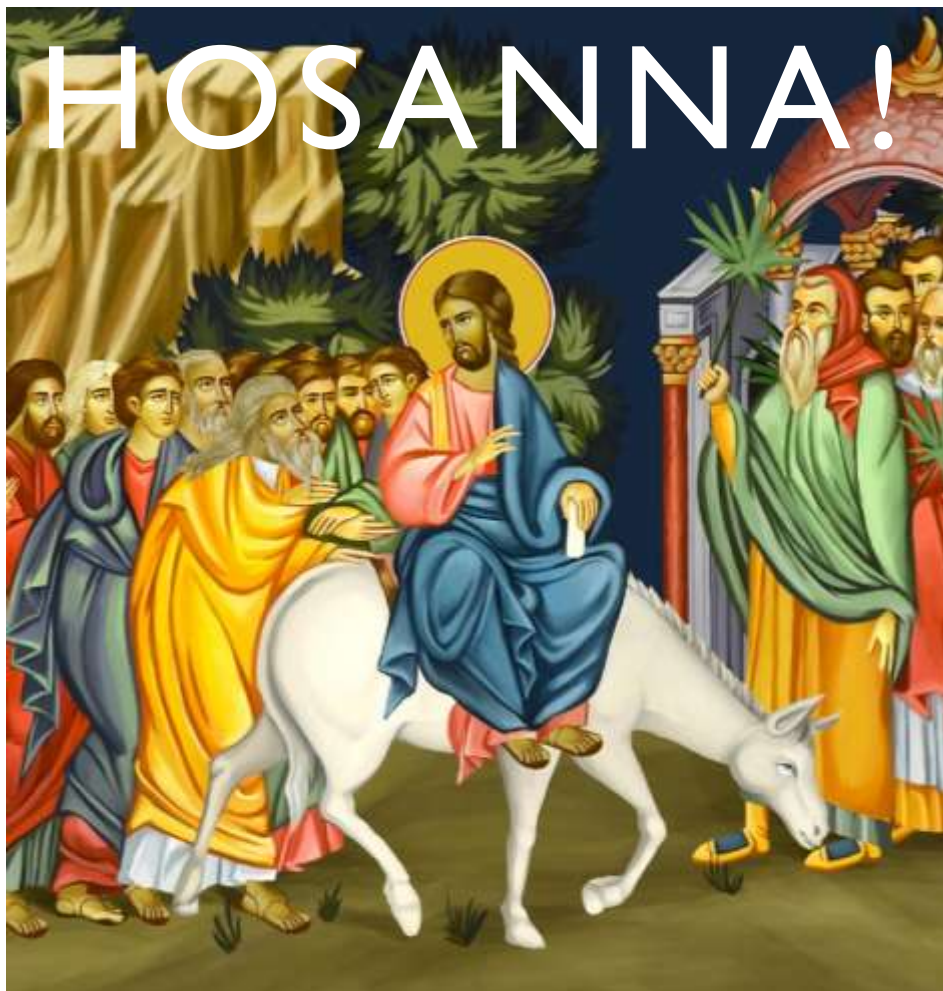


**Parishes of Sacred Heart and Blessed Sacrament**

**10 April 2022** Palm Sunday. Year C. *Psalter week 2*

**17 April 2022** Easter Sunday. Year C. *Psalter week 1*

# HOSANNA!



# MASS TIMES SACRED HEART



## **Sunday 10 April** – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5.30pm Sat *People of Ukraine*  
9.15am *Private Intention*  
11.15am *People of the Parish*

## **Monday 11 April**

10.00am *Thomas Callan RIP*

## **Tuesday 12 April**

10.00am *Michael Lucio Pulsford RIP*

## **Wednesday 13 April**

**No Mass** Chrism Mass at Plymouth Cathedral at 12 noon

## **Thursday 14 April** – Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper *For Maia*  
Watching at the altar of repose concluding with night prayer at  
10.00pm. Prayers for Ukraine.

## **Friday 15 April** – Good Friday

3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

## **Saturday 16 April** – Holy Saturday

8.30pm The Easter Vigil *People of the Parish*

## **Sunday 17 April** – Easter Sunday

9.15am *People of Ukraine*  
11.15am *Private Intention*

## **Monday 18 April** – Easter Monday

10.00am *Holy Souls (Box)*

## **Tuesday 19 April** – Easter Tuesday

10.00am *Private Intention*

## **Wednesday 20 April** – Easter Wednesday

10.00am *Private Intention*

## **Thursday 21 April** – Easter Thursday

10.00am *Private Intention*

**Friday 22 April** – Easter Friday

10.00am *Thomas J Callan RIP*

**Saturday 23 April** – Easter Saturday

10.00am *Intentions of CWL*

**Sunday 24 April** – Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday

5.30pm Sat *Alberto Nierra RIP*

9.15am *People of the Parish*

11.15am *Bernard Morales RIP*

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

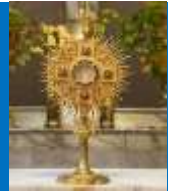
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## Confessions

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

The church will be open for private prayer from 9.30am until 6.00pm each day

# MASS TIMES BLESSED SACRAMENT



**Sunday 10 April** – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8.45am *People of Ukraine*

10.45am *People of the Parish*

6.00pm *Priest's intention*

**Tuesday 12 April**

6.30pm *Jeanne Gaskell RIP*

**Wednesday 13 April**

**No Mass** Chrism Mass at Plymouth Cathedral at 12 noon

**Thursday 14 April** – Maundy Thursday

7.00pm **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** *Int: Michael Olivant RIP*

Watching at the altar of repose until 10.00pm

**Friday 15 April** – Good Friday

9.30am Morning Prayer & Office of Readings

3.00pm **Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion**

8.00pm Watching at the foot of the Cross for the people of Ukraine

## **Saturday 16 April – Holy Saturday**

9.30am Morning Prayer & Office of Readings

9.00pm **The Easter Vigil**

## **Sunday 17 April – Easter Sunday**

8.45am *People of the Parish*

10.45am *Thanking God for his graces in our lives.*

## **Tuesday 19 April – Easter Tuesday**

NO Mass

## **Wednesday 20 April – Easter Wednesday**

9.30am *Beryl Anstey RIP*

## **Thursday 21 April – Easter Thursday**

9.30am *Margaret Sammon RIP*

## **Friday 22 April – Easter Friday**

6.30pm *People of Ukraine*

## **Saturday 23 April – Easter Saturday**

9.30am *Kath Jenkinson RIP*

## **Sunday 24 April – Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday**

8.45am *Valdi Pala RIP*

10.45am *Jo & Tony Fewkes RIP*

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

Tea & Coffee after Mass on Wednesdays

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

## **Confessions**

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass and on reasonable request.



## **Resurrexit, sicut dixit!**

On behalf of Fr Kieran, Fr Jonathan, Fr Albert, Fr Anil and Fr John we would like to wish you a very Happy Easter. May this celebration of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection bring you and your loved ones hope and joy and many blessings throughout the year. Thank you for all the love and support we have received and continue to receive, it is a true blessing and a source of strength for us. God bless you all.

# The Suffering Servant

## A Reflection on Palm Sunday and Holy Week from Fr Anil

It is often said nowadays that the young know little about their religion and less about their faith. Sometimes adults are honest enough to admit that they are not much better off and unsure what to do about their ignorance. The liturgy of Holy Week has been directed to renewing faith, deepening love, and awakening hope. Its purpose is to celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus, to hear and heed his teaching and to be enriched by the boundless generosity of his passion. The week's first passion story is in the Palm Sunday Gospel.

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For Christ, it's the beginning of the last week of his life, a week of violent contrasts, which will end in grief and glory. The palms will soon be formed into crosses and the cheers will turn into jeers calling for his death. Throughout the passion our attention is focused on Jesus who appears completely absorbed in prayer, responding quietly and sensitively to each new moment of sorrow.

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In the garden of Gethsemane, he is deeply troubled, and he sweats blood as he prays for the Father to remove the chalice of suffering and death from him. Betrayed and taken prisoner he is mocked, blindfolded, beaten, and spat upon, while a convicted murderer is set free. He undergoes a final wrench of pain when Peter denies him, and the apostles forsake him. His sense of abandonment by God is increased by the desertion of his friends. Mary alone stands at the foot of the cross faithful to the last. We are invited to take the road with Mary and those few friends who follow Christ to Calvary, and to be silently at his side. He wants the work of his cross to touch our lives, to break our sinful ways so that we may be changed and know God. The decisive test of our faith is one day to reach the point where we are ready to accompany Jesus to Calvary along the same path into destruction and death.

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In times of trials, suffering and mental torture often what keeps people going and gives them strength and inspiration is the knowledge that they are at one with Jesus who suffered in the same way before them. There is not much point in dwelling on the crucifixion of Christ during this solemn week if it is an isolated event and not linked with the drama of suffering that goes on in our lives for the rest of the year. Don't miss out on what unconditional love from Jesus can do to enhance your healing and the quality of your life. Turn to him and invoke the power of his name. The Lord is a servant and takes particular delight in serving you and your needs. Amen.

# NEWS



## Good Friday Witness

Christians Together Across Exeter warmly invite you to our city-wide Good Friday worship service. This will take place on Friday 15 April at 10.00am with a prayerful service in Exeter Cathedral, followed by creative acts of witness sharing the good news on Cathedral Green afterwards. Please do make time to worship and witness together this Easter Weekend.

## Holy Saturday Blessing of Food in Polish

This will take place in Polish at the Sacred Heart church. There are three times: 10.00am, 10.45am and 11.30am. All are welcome to come along.

## Washing of Feet at Sacred Heart

Many thanks to Martin Overy, Brian Bargent, Maddison Cassidy, Norman Bamber, Marion Durant, Keith Schneeberger, Luke Schneeberger, Sonya Lingwood, Paul Huppler, Carolina Ferreira, and Sue Moulin for agreeing to participate in the Washing of Feet on Maundy Thursday. This is a great moment which allows us to reflect on and become part of Christ's humility in serving us. For all those participating please bring a hand towel with you on the day.

## Divine Mercy Sunday Service

Sunday 24 April is Divine Mercy Sunday and a service will be led by Fr John Watkins at the Blessed Sacrament church. The service will start at 3.00pm following confessions at 2.30pm. After the service refreshments will be served in the St Richard Reynolds Centre.

## Good Friday Holy Places Collection

Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in Catholic Churches to support the work of the Franciscans working in the Holy Land. Christians there rely heavily on the help that comes to them from this worldwide collection.

# Message from CAFOD

A big thank you to all those at Blessed Sacrament who donated to the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day appeal which was an amazing £1096.80 (£435 of which was gift aided). Many people donated on line so it makes for a really generous effort especially coming on top of the Ukraine emergency appeal. Many, many thanks.

## Pope Francis tweets...

The Season of Lent calls us to place our faith and hope in the Lord, since only if we fix our gaze on the risen Christ will we be able to respond to the Apostle's appeal, "Let us never grow tired of doing good" (Gal 6:9).

## St Nicks News

We are looking forward to our Easter break after a busy half term. It has been so lovely to be able to celebrate liturgies altogether in the school hall and to take the children on trips outside the school once again. Children walked up to Blessed Sacrament Church last week in a sponsored CAFOD 'Walk against Hunger', our Year 5 children are looking forward to a trip to Bristol and Bath next term and our Year 3 children will be going on their first ever residential trip to the Ultimate Adventure Centre in Bideford. Our PTA have also started planning our Summer Social - watch this space for more details later in the year.

We have spaces in our Nursery for children from 3 years old in September 2022. We would welcome prospective parents visiting the school to see it in action. Please contact Mrs Brocksom ([abrocksom@stnics.uk](mailto:abrocksom@stnics.uk)) for more information about joining the Nursery or any other year group up to year 6.

## Catholic Women's League

The next meeting of the CWL will be held on Tuesday 19 April at 2.00pm in the Lower Room at the Sacred Heart Church, South Street. Members are reminded that they must let Frances know by Tuesday 12 April if they are taking part in the National pilgrimage to Portsmouth on 22 June. The cost will be between £30 and £50 depending on the numbers for the coach and £10 for the afternoon tea after the Mass.

The Catholic Women's League pilgrimage to Buckfast Abbey. Members of the CWL and parishioners are invited to join the annual pilgrimage to Buckfast on Saturday 14 May. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Mark and will be followed by tea in the Grange. The cost will be £10 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 at [francesandedward@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:francesandedward@blueyonder.co.uk) or telephone 01392 209542.

# 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 spiritually supporting you in preparation for this important sacrament and welcoming you and your family into our parish family. 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@prctr.org.uk](mailto:exeter-heavitree@prctr.org.uk) **Baptism Enquiry form**

## Catholic Exeter Forming in Faith

Having completed the Catholicism series we are continuing on our journey of adult formation. We are now watching Bishop Barron's inspiring insights into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives and the centrality of the Eucharist as an important part of that presence. So many believers do not understand the mystery of the Eucharist, which is the 'source and summit' of the Christian life. We met to look at the first couple of films on this subject and will continue on Monday 11 April at 10.30am–12.30pm at Sacred Heart and Tuesday 12 April at 7.00–9.00pm at Blessed Sacrament. You are most welcome to join us on this journey of discovery so come along.

After Easter we will run 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. These sessions will start on Monday 25 April 10.30am till 12.30pm at Sacred Heart and Tuesday 26 April 7.00 – 9.00pm at Blessed Sacrament.

## Ukrainian refugee update and ways to help

At a meeting Integrated Exeter heard Exeter City Council outline the current situation from the City Council's perspective: ECC is working closely with Devon County Council but the situation is changing on an almost daily basis with information coming from national government to DCC through to ECC and needing to be digested and made accessible.

The Councils have statutory responsibilities including housing checks, safeguarding and DBS checks, health, registering families with GP practices, education, and benefits for those who come to the UK via the Government scheme. They have no statutory responsibility to check households who provide accommodation outside of the scheme but are keen to retrospectively match any such households with Government support.



Ukrainians living in Devon have already 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.

Integrated Exeter will meet again at 10.00am on Wednesday 6 April.

For further 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)

## CAFOD Helping Ukraine

CAFOD is deeply disturbed by the ongoing situation in Ukraine. Together, we stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian people and send our prayers to our sister organisation Caritas Ukraine, and those Caritas agencies in neighbouring countries, who are already helping people affected by this conflict. Caritas Internationalis is part of one of the largest aid networks in the world.

With our global reach and local presence, we are there when an emergency hits.

To donate please visit: [CAFOD's Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal](#)

Other places to donate: [Aid to the Church in Need](#) or [The Red Cross](#)

## Support for Ukraine

The Blessed Sacrament is still a collection point for donations for Exeter Friends of Ukraine. A list of items is available by request from the Parish Office and 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 so far.

## 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, and launched Friday 25 March with a first meet-up between 5.00 and 8.00pm.

The Café is a place for local people to address the Ukrainian crisis – especially those who have expressed an interest to host 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

# ALPHA New Date

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. Paula writes: *Alpha allowed me to explore a variety of thoughts and beliefs relating to Christianity in a very safe and non-judgemental environment. Sharing this journey with a very diverse group of people, I believe, was pivotal in my search for answers. I also made some truly wonderful new friends, friendships I sincerely cherish. Alpha can offer you so much if you let it!*

Join on an 'in person' course commencing Wednesday **4 May at 7.00pm or online on the same day at 7.30pm**. To take part please **register by 2 May** by filling in [this form](#). For more information contact Ola [using this link](#).

## Child Bereavement UK

Would your family like a free family day out at a Let's Rock the 80's retro music festival this summer? Child Bereavement UK is looking for volunteers to help donate 4 hours of their time selling wristbands, raffle tickets and scanning entry tickets at Let's Rock Exeter taking place at Powderham Castle on Saturday 2 July.

In return families will be able to enjoy the rest of the festival for free. One child will get free entry per responsible adult volunteering.

Last year our amazing festival volunteers helped us raised over £100,000 in aid of Child Bereavement UK; this year we hope to raise even more to help fund much-needed support for bereaved families, parents, and children.

To find out more and to sign please see our [website here](#).

## Vocations to the Priesthood

### Day of Recollection

The next 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.

Arrangements can be made to collect you from Liskeard Station before 9:15, and returned after, if required.

# Kenyan Education Sponsorship

Deacon Kelvin Russell has received a letter from Alfred Lomulen expressing his gratitude for the support given to him through the sponsorship scheme. The financial support that he has received has enabled him to carry on with his studies. He is working harder than ever at his studies and believes that he will get good results. Kelvin also thanks all those who contributed after his appeal and collection.



## Heavitree Community Larder

Run by and located at the Heavitree United Reformed Church on the first and last Fridays of the month. Just 'Pop in' and take what you need (please bring a bag)  
@Re:Fresh 10.30am till 12.30pm

## Calling all Catholics! We need you!

We are seeking to appoint new Trustees to serve on the Board of Plymouth Diocesan Trust, the charity of the Diocese of Plymouth, to replace some of the existing lay Trustees whose terms of service are coming to an end. Candidates must be practicing Catholics and with skills and experience from the following: Safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults; Communication, media and promotions, including digital and social media; Human Resources Management; Investment Portfolio and Funds Management; Corporate/Charity Accounting and Finance. We are aiming to increase diversity within our Board structure. Applications are therefore encouraged from women and from Black, Asian and other ethnic communities, as these groups are currently under-represented. If you are interested in becoming a Trustee of the Diocese or would like more information about the role, please contact Jan Holton by telephone 01364 645383 or email [jan.holton@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:jan.holton@prcdtr.org.uk) *Bishop Mark.*

## Pope's April prayer intention

For health care workers. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries: may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities. See also the Popes' video [here](#)

## 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](#)

**New Trustees:** Exeter Foodbank is looking to add to its team of Trustees. We are looking for applications by the end of April. We are a Christian Charity. Our trustees are all members of local churches. Our Christian identity is very important to us. All applications, or for further information, please email. FAO: the Chair of Trustees on: [trustees@exeterfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:trustees@exeterfoodbank.org.uk) or go to [Exeter Foodbank website](#)

Each week we serve dozens of clients. We have over 160 volunteers and we work with over 180 professional agencies across the city. It is a challenging, yet inspiring, work to be involved in.

This year we are embarking on a new stage of our journey as one of 61 'Pathfinder' Foodbanks across the UK. The aim of *Pathfinder* is to reduce the demand for foodbanks by ensuring that clients have access to all of the necessary and available support. This will help them live without needing food from a charity. It is a big challenge, but one that we are ready to face. Our motto is *restoring dignity and reviving hope* - and this is the ultimate aim of both *Pathfinder* and Exeter Foodbank.

# GIFT Growing in Faith Together

## April update: The Way of the Cross

On Saturday 2 April, we met with over 30 GIFT families to celebrate Mass, eat pastries and to learn about and explore the Way of the Cross, Jesus' journey to Calvary. Families created a Way of the Cross booklet that they could take home to pray with together throughout the rest of the Lent.

**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:** After Mass, Fr Albert and our GIFT Youth Team met with our young people to explore the Way of the Cross in their own unique session.

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

**Next Gift Session:** Due to the school Easter holidays, there will be no parent zoom in April. We look forward to seeing all of our GIFT families and youth on Saturday 7 May.

**Get In Touch And Register:** If you would like to join us, please register using for GIFT using the appropriate link. **GIFT Primary [Registration Form](#).**  
**GIFT Youth [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)

## Easter Offerings

The Easter Offering is a gift to the priests of the parish. If you wish to make an Easter Offering either use one of the envelopes available in the church or your offering envelope if you are a planned giver. If you are not attending Mass on Easter Sunday, please put your offering in an envelope marked Easter Offering and place in the collection as you leave any of the Masses.

If you GiftAid your offering please write your envelope number clearly on the outside. If you usually offer by standing order why not make a bank transfer and put Easter Offering in the narrative. Many thanks.

## Music and Song for Ukraine

Saturday 23 April at 7.00pm Salvation Army Temple, EX2 4AY

Join us for an evening of music and song. Donations welcome: all proceeds will go to the Salvation Army's Ukraine Refugee Relief Programme

## Youth Events in the diocese

World Youth Day (WYD) 2023 Lisbon Portugal

Contact Saskia if you know anyone interested in joining: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

Heatree Residential 13 - 15 May. [Click here to book](#).

**Flame 2023** Tickets are now on sale. Flame is for young people in year 9 (14yrs) through to University age. It's not just for Catholics, anyone interested is welcome to come. Ticket prices will include a T-shirt and a coach to Wembley Arena, London. Email Saskia: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk) for further information or click on these links: [Flame Website](#) & [click here](#) for a promotional film

This week's [Youth Events Newsletter](#)

## Wednesday Word Scripture Reflection

We meet online via zoom from 2.00-3.00pm each Wednesday. If you would like to join us, get in touch with Maria: [exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk). You don't need to make a weekly commitment, you're welcome whenever you can. Wednesday Word will be cancelled for the following 2 weeks, our next session will be on Wednesday 27 April.

# Sacred Heart online donations

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

## 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.



Help Exeter WAYmakers in our aim to resettle a refugee family in our city. 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 [schranz5@gmail.com](mailto:schranz5@gmail.com) or Chris Lee.

## Exeter Street Pastors

Are you a Christian, over 18, and have a heart to serve as Jesus' hands and feet on the street of Exeter? Training of this year's intake of Exeter Street Pastors has been postponed to allow more time for potential recruits to join up. Please share widely to help this great ministry recruit its team of Street Pastors and

Prayer Pastors for this year. For more details, or a no obligation opportunity to observe a night's deployment, please contact [admin.exeter@streetpastors.org.uk](mailto:admin.exeter@streetpastors.org.uk)



# Diocese of Plymouth

## Catechetical Summer Camps 2022

This year it is our intention to return the Camps to the pre-Covid format, meeting at Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey, for Junior and Senior Camps, and St Rita's in Honiton for St Petroc's Camp. **2022 Camp fee: £210**

**Junior Camp** for school years 3–6. **7–12 August** at Grangehurst

**Senior Camp** for school years 7–10. **31 July - 5 August** at Grangehurst

**St Petroc's Camp** for school years 11–12. **31 July - 5th August** at St Rita's

**We are in need of help** in order to ensure that Camps continue to provide a faith-nurturing and enriching experience for the young people of our diocese.

**Camp Helpers** – We're always in need of young people (aged 18+) who wish to share their faith by helping with the Camps. If you're able to offer us a week of your time to assist in the day to day running of the Camps, and also to have a fantastic time of fun and faith, please get in touch to discuss how you might help. All our helpers have to be recruited as volunteers and undergo DBS checks through their parishes. Safeguarding training will be provided.

In addition to the Camp helpers, we need to fill three vital roles for the Catechetical Camps Committee.

**Treasurer:** To manage the finances of the Camp Committee. This involves overseeing the collection of fees for the Camps, paying for food and services and budgeting for the camps.

**Administrator:** To provide a single point of contact with the parents/guardians of the young people applying for camp; to liaise with the Camp Leaders.

**Catechist** (particularly for Junior Camp): To take the theme for the Camp and provide materials for use during the Camp, appropriate to the age group; to assist other helpers in delivery of the faith material. This role is very important, particularly this year as we come back to face-to-face camps.

If you can help please contact Deacon Michael Turnbull Chair, Diocese of Plymouth Catechetical Camps michael.turnbull@pcrdtr.org.uk Tel: 07504821558

## St John Passion at Exeter Cathedral

Join us at Exeter Cathedral at 4.00pm on Sunday 10 April to listen to J S Bach's magnificent and moving oratorio. The Passiontide drama unfolds in Bach's unparalleled music, told through the compelling words of St John's Gospel. For more info and booking [click here](#).

# Beda College Discernment Weekend

A vocation discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 will take place at St Beuno's retreat centre in North Wales from Friday 2 to Sunday 4 September. The weekend is run jointly by the Pontifical Beda College in Rome and St Beuno's and is for men in the early stages of vocation discernment. Similar weekends in the past have been very successful. The direct link for further details and booking with St Beuno's is here: [Discernment weekend](#)

## Sacred Heart Rosary Group

We are praying for the following intentions: Ukraine and peace in the world; for the love of Jesus, for the conversion of sinners and reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary; for the Holy Father and his intention for the month; for our dearest priests; for vocations; for all of us praying this holy rosary.

# THE WORD

## Sunday 10 April

### First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7. *I did not cover my face against insult – I know I shall not be shamed.*

Psalm Response: *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*

### Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11. *He humbled himself, but God raised him high.*

Gospel Luke 22:14-23.56 The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

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## Sunday 17 April

### First Reading

Acts 10:34.37-43. *We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection*

Psalm Response: *This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad*

### Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4. *You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

Gospel John 20:1-9. *He must rise from the dead.*



# Sunday 24 April

## First Reading

Acts 5:12-16. *The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.*

## Psalm Response

*Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.*

## Second Reading

Revelation 1:9-13.17-19. *I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.*

Gospel John 20:19-31. *Eight days later, Jesus came.*

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# Sunday 1 May

## 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

Revelations 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,*



## **XII Jesus dies on the Cross**

The dark nails pierce him and the sky turns black  
We watch him as he labours to draw breath  
He takes our breath away to give it back,  
Return it to it's birth through his slow death.  
We hear him struggle breathing through the pain  
Who once breathed out his spirit on the deep,  
Who formed us when he mixed the dust with rain  
And drew us into consciousness from sleep.  
His spirit and his life he breathes in all  
Mantles his world in his one atmosphere  
And now he comes to breathe beneath the pall  
Of our pollutions, draw our injured air  
To cleanse it and renew. His final breath  
Breathes us, and bears us through the gates of death.

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