

CATHOLIC EXETER



Parishes of Blessed Sacrament and Sacred Heart
4 June 2023 The Most Holy Trinity Year A. *Psalter I*



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

We begin our Summer 'Ordinary Time' by celebrating a strange feast - not of a particular saint or event, but of the awesome paradox of our God, the Three-in-One, Father, Son and Spirit: so immeasurably distant, yet so amazingly close, so full of power and so full of love. It is love that is the key to the mystery: the revelation of God, to Moses and in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, shows a perfect love - a perfect unity. In the beginning, in the story of Creation in Genesis, God made man and woman 'in the image and likeness of God', to live together as a community of love.

So too, the Church is an image of this perfection of community which is Father, Son and Spirit. We, as many members of one Church, strive in our everyday lives to imitate God who is Three and One, perfect unity and perfect love.

MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART



Sunday 4 June – The Most Holy Trinity

- 5.30pm (Sat) *Holy Souls*
9.15am *People of the Parish*
11.15am *Canon Paul Cummins*
1.15pm *Mass in Polish*
5.00-6.00pm *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction*

Monday 5 June – St Boniface Bishop, Martyr & Missionary. Patron of the Diocese

- 10.00am *Pope Francis*

Tuesday 6 June

- 10.00am *Canon Paul Cummins*
Followed by refreshments in Lower Room

Wednesday 7 June

- 10.00am *Fr Harry Doyle – Ordination Anniversary*
Followed by Chatter Café
7.00pm *Taizé*

Thursday 8 June

- 6.30pm *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction*
7.00pm *Holy Souls*

Friday 9 June

- 10.00am *Peace in the world*

Saturday 10 June

- 10.00am *Anne Lee RIP*
Followed by refreshments in Lower Room

Sunday 11 June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

- 5.30pm (Sat) *Antonia RIP*
9.15am *First Holy Communions*
Followed refreshments in Lower Room
11.15am *People of the Parish*
1.15pm *Mass in Polish*
5.00-6.00pm *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction*

Confessions Saturday after 10am Mass and 4-5pm, and on reasonable request.

Live stream Mass To access the YouTube stream please [click here](#).

Church is open for private prayer from 9.00am until 6.00pm each day.

MASS TIMES BLESSED SACRAMENT



Sunday 4 June – The Most Holy Trinity

8.45am *People of the Parish*

10.45am *World peace*

Followed by refreshments in St Richard Reynolds Centre.

6.00pm *Canon Paul Cummins*

Tuesday 6 June

6.30pm *Special Intention*

Wednesday 7 June

9.30am *Special Intention*

Followed by refreshments in St Richard Reynolds Centre.

Thursday 8 June

9.30am *Pope Francis*

7.00pm *Worship Thursday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Friday 9 June

6.30pm *Holy Souls*

Saturday 10 June

9.30am *Brian Edworthy RIP*

Sunday 11 June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8.45am *Sick & Housebound of the Parish*

10.45am *People of the Parish*

11.45am Corpus Christi Procession

with Benediction in the St Richard Reynolds garden

followed by a shared lunch.

6.00pm *Canon Paul Cummins*

Confessions

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass and on reasonable request.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

During term time at 10.45am Mass on Sunday.

Live stream Mass

To access the YouTube stream please [click here](#).

Refreshments

Served after 10.45am Mass on Sunday and 9.30am Mass on Wednesday.

MASS TIMES

HOLY CROSS TOPSHAM

Sunday 4 June – The Most Holy Trinity

11.00am *People of the Parish*

Wednesday 7 June

10.00am *Fr Harry Doyle – Ordination Anniversary*

Sunday 11 June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

11.00am *People of the Parish*

NEWS & EVENTS

Vacancy in the Diocese of Plymouth

Chaplaincy Administrator/Crediton Parish Secretary

We are recruiting for the above vacancy reporting to the Priest in charge at the University of Exeter Catholic chaplaincy. The role will be split with 65% for the chaplaincy and 35% for the Parish Secretary in Crediton. The postholder is responsible for managing the administrative and secretarial support functions of the Chaplaincy and Crediton parish and will be located at the University of Exeter Catholic chaplaincy. The post is for 13.5 hours per week. Some of this time must be completed on Tuesday with the remaining hours flexible. Salary £12.05 per hour. For information visit the careers page on the Diocese of Plymouth website. To apply email recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk to obtain an application form. The closing date for applications is Monday 5 June.

'South Street, the then and now' exhibition:

Sunday 4 June, between 12.00-16.00 at the White Hart Hotel Secret

Garden, South Street Exeter. You may have seen from the newsletters and activity in the church after 9.15 Mass that the Sacred Heart young people who attend **Children's Liturgy** supported by the **Arts Group** have prepared contributions of pictures and art to this exhibition. These represent some features of our lovely church building. Do go and see the exhibition if you have time.



Sacred Heart Knit & Natter

The Knit and Natter morning will be in the Lower room, on 9 June after 10.00am Mass. Please join us, even if you are not a crafter, come along, you might be inspired!!

Exeter Respect Festival

The Filipino Community Association is joining the Exeter Respect festival on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 June at Belmont Park, Exeter. We are raising funds for the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) Learning and Development Centre Inc. based in the Philippines as our International Outreach Program. The FCJ lead by Sr Vanessa Reposar helps young disadvantaged Filipino children to have access to education. We would like you to help us to raise funds for this meaningful cause. If you would like to make a cash donation or you have any questions please contact Myrna Morales on 07771658571. With All Our Gratitude!

Catholic Children's Society Annual Mass

Thursday 8 June 2.00pm at St John's Catholic Primary School, Melbourne Street, Tiverton EX16 5LA. All welcome, but please let us know by calling 01364 645420 or by emailing ccs@prcdtr.org.uk.

An Evening with the Prison Fellowship

Thursday 8 June at 7.00 - 8.45pm at St David's Church Exeter EX4 4HR

An evening celebrating work with prisoners and ex-prisoners. Hear about:

Angel Tree: Whereby children of prisoners receive lovely Christmas presents as from them . . .

Letter Link: Whereby Christians write (anonymously) to men and women and cheer their daily lives . . .

Prayer Line: Whereby men and women (plus staff) can phone a prayer through - for FREE - and know that hundreds across the country are praying their particular prayer . . .

Weekly Bible Studies: Whereby encouraging and transformative Scriptures and notes are given in cells to those interested to receive them.

Sycamore Tree - When a six week course with trained folk from the Christian community enable those inside to see why (like all of us) faults need to be recognised, repented of and forgiven.

All this shared by ordinary Christians who are inspired by being involved in one of the above activities and will speak about them. You can look forward to an inspiring evening: everyone is welcome.



St Nicholas School News

Vacancies for a 1:1 **Teaching Assistant** (32.5 hours per week / £10.79 per hour) and a **Mealtime Assistant** (8.75 hours per week / £10.60 per hour). Both to start ASAP. Please email Mrs Brocksom (abrocksom@stncs.uk) for more information and the application forms.

Vacancy for a **Foundation Governor** to join our Local Governing Board. This is an interesting voluntary role which will involve one two hour meeting per half term (usually Wednesdays from 6.00-8.00pm) and visits to the

school to meet with staff and pupils to discuss what is going on in school. If you are interested in this role and want to find out more please contact Mrs Brocksom, Clerk to Governors (abrocksom@stncs.uk)

If your child is 3 and you are looking for a **Nursery** please consider visiting our lovely Nursery at St Nicholas School. We have spaces in September for 3-4 year olds and can offer wrap around care from 7.45 until 6pm. if you would like a tour and to find out more please contact Mrs Brocksom (abrocksom@stncs.uk). We offer 15 and 30 hours (extended) funding and additional hours are only £4.50 per hour.

Diocesan Summer Camps

The annual Summer Camps provide a wonderful opportunity for young people from across the diocese to come together for one week during the summer holidays to meet new friends, renew friendships and share and grow in their Catholic faith in a safe and full-filled environment. Bookings are now open and can be made by using the online booking form by [following this link](#). Please apply by 17 June.

Retreats in the Diocese of Plymouth

Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group SUMMER RETREATS June 30 – 2 July (Fri - Sun) Weekend Retreat July 3 – 7 July (Mon - Fri) Midweek Retreat June 30 – 7 July (Fri - Fri) 6-day Retreat Venue: Sclerder Abbey, nr Looe, Cornwall. The retreat house in its tranquil setting and with a large garden and pleasant rural walks nearby is situated near Looe in Cornwall. Cost includes full board & lodging. Recommended donation: Weekend Retreat £140; Midweek Retreat £240; 6-day Retreat £450. Some of the cost could be offset for individuals who would like to go on a retreat but may have difficulties with the suggested donation. 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.

OVERFLOW Spiritual Conference

CHARIS National Service of Communion Conference 'So that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit' (Romans 15:13). On 1st July at Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, Birmingham B70 7JW 10.30am – 6.30pm. Adults: £12. CHARIS is the international Service of Communion called for by Pope Francis to promote and encourage the grace of baptism in the Spirit in the Catholic Church. For full details go to: <http://www.ccr.org.uk/articles/overflow2/>

If you would like a copy of the information with links etc., please let the parish office know and we can email them.

Accommodation required.

Single Room in a house, required by the end of May £300-£350 per month.

Alternatively an option for two people to share at a slightly increased cost.

Walking distance to Sacred Heart Church, if possible. Please contact the Sacred Heart parish office if you are able to assist.

GIFT AID at Sacred Heart Parish

If you Gift Aid your donations to the Parish and have recently changed address or are no longer a taxpayer please don't forget to inform the parish.

Please remember that if you signed a Gift Aid Declaration in another parish within the Diocese you will still need to sign one specifically for Sacred Heart parish.

The parish can claim 25% of any donation you make if you sign a Gift Aid declaration form as long as you are a UK taxpayer [you do not have to be British]

Many thanks to all who Gift Aid their donations. If you have any queries, please email Anne at exeter-sacredheart-giftaid@prcdtr.org.uk.

Day for Life

The Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death.

Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. It falls on

June 18 this year and the theme is '**Listen to Her**' and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others. Each year a message is released, usually by the Church's Lead Bishop for Life Issues, offering a reflection on the year's theme.

The 2023 message is unique in that the bishops' have given it over to a Catholic woman who has had an abortion to share her experiences. Often the voices of women who have had an abortion are silent in Church and in society. The hope is that this will help break this silence and offer further opportunities for healing and reconciliation. This year's 'Day for Life' message is written by a woman in the hope that it can offer opportunities for healing and reconciliation. [Day for Life Message](#)

There will be a retiring collection at all Masses

Marriage Matters

On 17 June at 12.00 noon there will be a **Mass for Marriage** to celebrate marriage at Plymouth Cathedral. Send us your anniversary dates to add to the Order of Service - whether you have been married for one week or sixty + years. Let us know too when your wedding is planned to take place if you are engaged. Light refreshments will be provided and (not so light) wedding cake. For more information please contact me on deborah.vanKroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk

Caritas Plymouth

Vision: 'To Live the Gospel by following Christ's Command to love our neighbour as He loved us.' [Caritas Diocese of Plymouth's Strategy Review 2022](#).

For our latest newsletter which highlights Refugee Week and Laudato Si Week as well as other latest events and information: [Caritas News Update May 2023](#)

The Catholic Post

We have been given a free trial of this online Catholic newspaper and you can access the June edition by [clicking this link](#). This is the last month of the free trial so we

would really like to know what you think. If enough people are enjoying reading the publication we can subscribe each month and offer the link in Catholic Exeter News. So please feed back your thoughts to the Blessed Sacrament parish office.

Monsignor Harry Doyle

'Father Harry' will continue to live at Hay House at least for the next three months and visitors are welcome. You do need to ring a couple of days in advance if you are planning a visit so the home can manage the visits. He enjoys seeing people and listening to chat but may not always recognise you or be able to respond well. He says he is happy. It is his 55th anniversary of Ordination to the priesthood on 8 June and he would enjoy opening some cards. These can be sent to him at: Hay House Nursing home, Broadclyst. Exeter EX5 3JL. Please keep him in your prayers.

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

CARITAS Plymouth - Refugee Week Event

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth would like to invite people to learn more about '[Love the Stranger](#)' - a new publication by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales – which reflects on our Christian response to the challenges facing those who have left their homeland in search of a better life.

Love the Stranger is a call to action – not only to help those who come here, but also to facilitate and rejoice in their service to our society. There are many in our diocese who welcome those new to their community, reach out to asylum seekers, welcome families through community sponsorship, host Ukrainian families and much more. This event will be an opportunity to find out more about what is happening and to learn from each other. All welcome to join us via Zoom on Wednesday 21 June from 6.00-7.00pm. Email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk or fill in [this short online form](#) to receive the Zoom link.

Exeter Foodbank [Click here for more information.](#)

Items required: tinned meat & fish, tinned vegetarian meals, pasta sauce, tinned potatoes, sugar, tinned rice pudding.
foodbank in the first place.

Global Aid Network (GAIN) UK

Many thanks to everyone for the many donations that came in and we were able to give to the Exeter University students for this charity.

Catholic Women's League

The Exeter section of CWL has raised the magnificent sum of £3700 for charity this year despite the state of the economy. The money has been distributed as follows:-

£700 has been given to St. Petrocks for the local homeless. This was raised from Lenten lunches and a further donation

A further £250 has been given to each of the following charities:

PACT for prisoners and their families (National Council charity), Catholic Childrens Society Plymouth, Mary's Meals, MIND for local mentally ill, Exeter Community Initiative to help locals in to work, Our Duty of care (against euthanasia), Exeter Leukaemia Fund, Force Cancer charity, Water Aid, Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child, and Hospiscare.

The decisions about which charities we donate to are made by the ladies of the CWL. We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the members of the congregations of the Catholic Exeter parishes for your generosity in supporting our fundraising and for your generous donations. We also want to thank our cooks and servers for their hard work and the time they have given,

FORMING IN FAITH

Thinking of becoming a Catholic?

If you are thinking of joining the Church or would simply like to know more about it, then you are welcome to join us. We will meet next on **Thursday 8 June** at 7.30pm in the Lower Room at Sacred Heart. Meetings are friendly and informal, and you don't need to do anything to prepare. Don't worry if you feel a bit daunted, this could be the first step towards a whole new life! We look forward to welcoming you.

The Prayer Course

The next session of The Prayer Course is about Spiritual Warfare – 'Deliver us from Evil'. In this session we will look closely at the ways we can pray God's kingdom come in the midst of a spiritual battle. **Monday 5 June** at 10.30am in the Lower Room, Sacred Heart church OR **Tuesday 6 June** at 7.00pm in the St Richard Reynolds Centre at Blessed Sacrament.

Wednesday Word Scripture Reflection

We meet online via Zoom from 2.00 – 3.00pm each Wednesday. If you would like to join us, contact Maria: exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk. Come whenever you can to explore the riches of the scriptures. You will be most welcome.

GIFT Gateway to the Sacraments

GIFT is the gateway to the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation in the Exeter parishes. [Click here](#) to find out more about GIFT.

Next GIFT Meeting: Saturday 10 June at St Nicholas Catholic Primary school at 9.45am We look forward to welcoming you.

Dipping into the Catechism [Click here for the June sheets](#)

GIFT Youth & Socials News

The next Gift Youth Social will be on **Friday 16 June**. More details will follow about the activity for this session.

To ensure that our safeguarding and GDPR procedures are robust we ask that the parent of any young person **MUST** have registered/re-registered them using the NEW form (using the link sent to parents on 10 March or [use this link](#)) before they come along to future Gift Youth Socials and Gift Youth Saturdays. This will ensure that we have all the required details about the young person as well as the necessary consents from their parents to enable us to keep them safe.

PRAYER & LITURGY



CORPUS CHRISTI Procession

Next Sunday we celebrate the patronal feast of Blessed Sacrament Church. At the end of the 10.45am Mass we will process the Blessed Sacrament through the church and grounds to the garden where we will celebrate Benediction followed by a shared lunch. All welcome. Please bring something to eat and drink.

Adoration & Taizé Prayer

Wednesday 7 June at Sacred Heart 7.00pm. Please come and join the Lord in this time of prayer. *“The Master says: My time is near. It is at your house that I am keeping the Passover with my disciples.”* – Magnificat antiphon Evening Prayer

WORSHIP THURSDAY at Blessed Sacrament

15 June 7.15pm – Praise and Worship. St Richard Reynolds Centre.

13 July 7.15pm – Praise and Worship. St Richard Reynolds Centre.

Pope's June Prayer Intention

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families. [See also](#)

Prayer Ministry

Have you ever experienced the power of the Holy Spirit through someone praying personally for you? Prayer ministry is an opportunity to pray into the needs of those who come forward and to share the love and compassion that God has for each of us. Blessed Sacrament is planning to offer prayer ministry on Sundays beginning in the autumn. We are looking for parishioners with a heart for prayer, a listening ear and a gentle disposition. Training and support will be given.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Maria (Exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk).

BLESSED SACRAMENT DIARY

Sunday 11 June Corpus Christi procession after 10.45am Mass (BSC) followed by shared lunch (RRC)

Sunday 16 July International Mass 10.45am (BSC) followed by lunch (RRC)

THE WORD

Sunday 4 June *The Most Holy Trinity*



First Reading

Exodus 34:4-6.8-9 *Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion.*

Psalm Response:

1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.
2. You are blest in the temple of your glory.
3. You are blest who gaze into the depths.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Gospel John 3:16-18 *God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved.*

Sunday 11 June *The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*



First Reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3.14-16

He fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known.

Psalm Response:

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

That there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form one single body.

Gospel John 6:51-58 *My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.*

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[Churches Together Devon News](#)

[Churches Together Exeter News](#)

[Churches Together England News](#)

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