

**PARISH OF ST JAMES & ST BONIFACE**  
**with St John's RC Primary School**  
*The Catholic Community in the Heart of Mid Devon*

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# NEWSLETTER

**Solemnity of All Saints**  
**Sunday 1 November 2020**



**YEAR OF THE WORD**  
**2020**  
***THE GOD WHO***  
***SPEAKS***

**Parish Clergy:**

Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest  
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## Places at Mass

Due to limited spaces at the weekend Masses, it is really important that you contact the Parish Office **as early in the week as possible** – either by phone during parish office hours or by email at any time - to ensure that there are places available. Unfortunately, once we have reached the maximum number permitted due to COVID distancing regulations, we are not allowed by law to admit others into the building.

## “Track and Trace” and the NHS Test and Trace App

Both St James and St Boniface have been issued with their specific QR code by the Government and these are posted at the entrance and exit of each church. We have been asked to continue to take people’s details manually as well.

## Second Collection for Catholic Communications

This weekend we will hold the Second Collection to support the Catholic Communications Network, which promotes the increasingly important use of the various communications media – radio, television, internet – in the mission of the Church. Please use the baskets at the entrance/exit of the church or you can give using our contactless card machine.

## November – Month of the Holy Souls

November is the month when we pray in a particular way for the Holy Souls, those who have gone before us on the path of faith into eternal life, especially our loved ones and those who have no one to remember them. It is Catholic belief that most of us when we died still need to undergo a final period of purification (traditionally called “purgatory”) before we are able to enter into the fullness of God’s eternal light and love. It is to assist those Holy Souls, our brothers and sisters, experiencing this state of purification that we pray for them. **NB There will be Mass on Holy Souls Day, 2 November, at 6.30pm.**

We pray, too, for all who have died, regardless of their faith, so this month provides a real chance to reach out to our neighbours and friends to ask whether there is someone for whom they would like us to pray. This often gives us an opportunity to share with them our Christian faith in the resurrection and eternal life, and of our enduring relationship with those who have died.

Due to Covid, it will not be possible for everyone to get to church during this month, so a sheet is attached to the Newsletter for you to write down the names of those you would like to be remembered at the Masses for the Holy Souls during this month. These can be returned by email, posted through the presbytery door or left in the pots placed in front of the altars in both churches.

## First Holy Communion Preparation

Parents who would like their children, aged 7 and over, to make their First Holy Communion in 2021, are asked to fill out the [Application Form](#) and to return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

## Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation

If you are 12 or older – or have a young person of this age – and would like to be confirmed, please complete the [Application Form](#) and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible. The Bishop has been scheduled to come to the parish to celebrate the Sacrament on Saturday 10 July 2021, so we need to start the preparation very soon.

## Human Person Workshop

Who *am* I? What is *my nature*? What has God created me *for*? Who has God created me *for*? An Online Group Workshop to contemplate the unique answers that the Christian faith gives to those questions, highlighting the incredible dignity of every person, is offered by Franciscan at Home on starting on Monday 16 November, from 7.30-8.30pm (six sessions). For more information or for a link to the meeting contact [deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk).

## 200 Club

Congratulations to Teresa Cummings who won the £30 prize and to Alan Parr who won the £20 prize in the October draw. New members are always welcome to join the 200 Club which raises funds for the parish. Please speak to Simon Coombs or Shelagh Bourdon at St James or Teresa Cummings at St Boniface.

## Canon Kristian's Christmas Cake Raffle

Canon Kristian's Christmas Cake is already being regularly feed with Christmas spirit! For a chance to win it, raffled tickets are on sale at all Masses, £1 each, by cash or contactless card. You've got to be in it to win it, as they say!

## Parish Giving – Move from Gift Aid Envelopes to Standing Orders

Thank you to all our parishioners who have continued to support the parish financially even when unable to attend Mass in person. As we move back to more people being able to attend Mass, we would like to appeal to anyone who uses a gift aid envelope. Many people consistently give the same amount each time in their envelope and, if you are one of these, we would like to ask you to consider moving to a **standing order** instead. Because of Coronavirus,

handling and counting cash has become much more onerous for our volunteers due to social distancing and having to quarantine cash. It would make our task much quicker, easier and safer if we could reduce the amount of cash we have to handle. The best way to set up a standing order is via online banking and you can use the bank details on the Bankers Order form attached to the newsletter to do this, or you can print the form and hand it in to your bank. If neither of those is an option for you, please email the Parish Office and we will send you a paper form. A standing order is entirely under your control as regards amount and interval and, as a parish, we do not hold or have access to your bank details. An additional saving to the parish is that we could spend less money on buying envelopes and we need to make savings wherever we can so that your money can be spent in more meaningful ways other than stationery.

If you are able to help us by making this change, please email the office and let us know that you will no longer need a gift aid envelope, as we have to order next year's envelopes very soon. Thank you again!

## Mass Times this week

### Saturday 31 October – Weekday

- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm

### Sunday 1 November – Solemnity of All Saints

- Holy Mass at 10.00 am *Anthony Cooper RIP (anniv)*
- Holy Mass at 11.30 am (St Boniface) *Pro Populo*

### 31<sup>st</sup> Week in Ordinary Time (A)

### Monday 2 November – Commemoration of All Souls

- **Holy Mass at 6.30pm**

### Tuesday 3 November – St Winifride, Virgin

- Holy Mass at 10.00am

### Wednesday 4 November – St Charles Borromeo, Bishop

- Holy Mass at 12noon (St Boniface)

### Thursday 5 November – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 6.30pm

### Friday 6 November – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 12noon

### Saturday 7 November – St Willibrord, Bishop

- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm

### Attachments to the Newsletter

- ❖ Holy Souls List
- ❖ Human Person Workshop Details
- ❖ Bankers Order Form to set up a Standing Order
- ❖ *Caritas Plymouth* – Reaching out digitally
- ❖ Responding to the Psalms (November)
- ❖ Imaginative Contemplation on Sunday's Gospel
- ❖ CHAT Christmas Foodbank Appeal