PARISH OF ST JAMES & ST BONIFACE

with St John's Catholic Primary School & Pre-School Academy The Catholic Community in the Heart of Mid Devon

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NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Advent Sunday 27 November 2022



Parish Clergy:

Very Revd Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest Revd Deacon Michael Tosh Revd Deacon Peter Found

Also resident in the Parish: Revd Fr Paul Rea CRE (retired)

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"Walk with Me" and "Day by Day" for Advent

As a help to dedicating time each day to experience something of the message of Advent and to prepare ourselves spiritually for Christmas, copies of *Walk with Me* and *Day by Day* are available at no cost at church this weekend. Please do take copies before you leave. There are also some Advent Calendars for our children.

Online Event: "I was in prison and you visited me" (Mt 25:26)



A joint on-line event between Caritas Plymouth and the Diocese of Clifton will take place this Tuesday 29 November, 7.00-8.00pm, entitled "A Fresh Start: People affected by Imprisonment", focussing on prison ministry, prayer and action. Send an email to caritas@prcdtr.org.uk or use the QR code if you would like to take part.

Mary's Meals

On behalf of herself and Mary's Meals, Ann White sends a very big "thank you" for the warm welcome, kind words and generous donations that she received last weekend. Together with the sale of the whole stock of books she brought with her, £603.66 was raised which is enough to give 7,244 hungry children a free school meal or to feed 38 children for a whole school year.

Operation Warm New Clothes

Many thanks to everyone who are so generously donating new warm clothes for children. A number of families have already been helped, including one from Ukraine. Coats, girls' pyjamas and warm jumpers are especially needed.

Children's Christmas Party

A Christmas Party for all the children of our parish will take place on Sunday 18 December at 3.00pm in the Hall at St James. If there are any parents who would like to help organise it, please let Canon Kristian or Margaret Found know as soon as possible.

Canon Kristian's Christmas Cake and the Main Christmas Draws

Draw tickets are on sale for this year's draw for Canon Kristian's Christmas Cake and for the main Christian Draw. The draw for the cake will take place on Sunday 11 December and the draw for the main Christmas Draw will happen on Saturday 17 December. So, now is the time to purchase your tickets if you haven't done so already!

"Book"/Lunch Club

The lunch for December is a week later than usual. It will take place on Thursday 8 December at 12.30pm at the College, Tiverton. If you are unable to come, please let Sheelagh know on 01884 256312.

Epiphany Concert

We will be holding an Epiphany Concert on Sunday 8 January 2023 at 3.00pm in the Hall at St James and want to involve St John's School, our young people, singers and musicians. It would be great if different groups could prepare something for the concert and make it a really good parish event. Please let Bridget Tosh know if you are able to contribute a song and/or a piece of music to the concert.

Flame 2023

Those aged from 14-21 years are invited to join the Plymouth contingent going to Flame 2023 at Wembley Stadium, London, on Saturday 4 March 2023. Tickets are £35 and include entry and travel to Wembley. Coaches will pick up from locations in Dorset and Devon. It is a great chance to hear from speakers like Robert Bilott, singer/songwriter Adenike



and award winner Guvna B. This is the largest Catholic gathering in England and Wales. To book go to https://forms.office.com/r/i7rv7WzbG4 or contact Saskia or Michelle at youth@prcdtr.org.uk.

Diocesan Job Vacancy - Safeguarding Administrator

The Diocese is looking to appoint a part-time Safeguarding Administrator to work three days a week, preferably Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, based at St. Boniface House, Ashburton, Devon, with some home working to meet COVID secure requirements. Salary: £12.20 per hour pro rata to 3 days, amounting to an actual salary of £13,322 per annum.

The Safeguarding Administrator works as part of the Diocesan Safeguarding Team delivering measures to ensure the safety of the young and vulnerable within the Diocese. The successful applicant will have a good understanding of Microsoft Office, a high level of IT fluency and an ability to learn new IT systems. The post holder will be trained and accredited to manage the Disclosure and Barring Service Checks (DBS).

For an informal discussion, please contact the Safeguarding Co-ordinator Robert Brown on robert.brown@prcdtr.org.uk or Annette Moody-Burkinshaw on annette.moody-burkinshaw@prcdtr.org.uk. The job description and person specification are obtainable from the HR Department on 01364 645383 or email recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk. Applications are by application form and covering letter. The closing date is Monday 5 December. Interviews will be held during week commencing Monday 12 December. The appointee to this post will be subject to an enhanced clearance through the Disclosure & Barring Service.

Church Key Survey

We need to undertake a key survey for insurance purposes. So, if you hold any keys for either of our churches, please would you put your name and which keys you hold on the paper at the entrance to church as soon as possible.

Day Retreats in Advent in Lynton Convent

The Sisters of Mary Morning Star in Lynton are offering free Day Retreats on the Tuesdays during Advent (29 November, and 6, 13 and 20 December), 11.30am-6.30pm. Following Mass there will be a time for adoration, rosary, walk in the Valley of the Rocks, teaching on lectio divina, ending with Vespers. There is no need to book, just bring a packed lunch and a bible! For more information, email srsmarymorningstar@qmail.com or call 01598 753373.

Parish Diary

Saturday 26 November – Weekday

- Marriage of Mark Ravnkilde and Victoria Symes at 1.00pm at St Bartholomew's Church, Cadeleigh
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm *Victor Menezes RIP (anniv)*

Sunday 27 November - First Sunday of Advent (A)

- Holy Mass at 10.00am Pro Populo
- Holy Mass at 11.30am (at St Boniface)

Monday 28 November – Weekday

Singing to Remember at 2.00pm in the Hall

Tuesday 29 November – St Cuthbert Mayne, Priest and Martyr

- Holy Mass at 10.00am
- Monthly Lunch Club, 12noon-2pm, in the Hall
- SVP Meeting at 7.30pm in the Hall

Wednesday 30 November - St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

• Holy Mass at 12noon (at St Boniface) *Deceased Priests and Parishioners (FM)*

Thursday 1 December – Advent Weekday

Holy Mass at 6.00pm

Friday 2 December – St Osmund of Salisbury, Bishop

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions at 11.30am
- Holy Mass at 12noon

Saturday 3 December - St Francis Xavier, Priest

Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

Sunday 4 November – Second Sunday of Advent (A)

- Holy Mass at 10.00am Pro Populo
- Holy Mass at 11.30am (at St Boniface)

STAY AWAKE!