

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

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
21 January 2024



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Participation at the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-elect Christopher

Due to the limited space in the Cathedral, only two people per parish will be able to be present physically at the Ordination Mass on 22 February. However, the Mass will be live streamed via the Cathedral YouTube Channel. In addition, there will be a celebration of Solemn Vespers in the Cathedral the evening before, on 21 February at 5.30pm, at which the Bishop-elect's insignia – his ring, pectoral cross and crozier – will be blessed. This celebration is open to anyone who would like to take part.

In order to be as fair as possible, the two parishioners who will represent our parish will be chosen by lottery. Individuals who would like to go are asked to write their contact details on the list provided. Canon Kristian will draw out two names on Monday 22 January. Please remember that each individual will need to be able to make their own way to the Cathedral.

Christian Unity School Service

Our parish school, St John's, invites you to join them as they pray for Christian Unity this Friday 26 January at 9.30am in the school hall. The short service will be followed by refreshments.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Next Saturday, 27 January, is Holocaust Memorial Day, the 30th anniversary of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda. 49 years after the Holocaust ended, the world stood by as Hutu extremists shattered the fragile freedom in Rwanda, culminating in the murder of over one million Tutsis in just one hundred days. The theme for this HMD is *Fragility of Freedom*. It is clear is that in every genocide that has taken place, those who are targeted for persecution have had their freedom restricted and removed before many of them were murdered. A guide for this day is attached to the Newsletter.

Unwanted Gifts Stall

Next weekend, there will be an Unwanted Gifts Stall after the Masses in Tiverton. Donations are very welcome. Please leave them in the Hall.

United Christian Service

Next Sunday, 28 January, a United Service will be held at the King Street Chapel, Tiverton at 6.30pm, at which the Reverend Christian Hill, the Priest-in-Charge of St Peter's Anglican Church, will preach. All welcome.

Diocesan Newsletter and the Caritas Newsletter

The Diocesan Newsletter for January can be found at <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t-t-04D40F5A6FC4F0FF2540EF23F30FEDED> and copies of the January Caritas Newsletter are available at the back of church.

Parish Winter Project to Support the Work of CHAT

The final number of electrical items donated between 29 October and 14 January is: 15 toasters, 15 kettles, 6 air fryers, 16 slow cookers, 1 twin hob and 1 micro grill: The Parish SVP Group donated 2 microwaves and 4 air fryers, making a grand total of 60 items! CHAT is delighted and is grateful to us for restocking the store.

An Invitation to Survivors of Abuse

The Diocesan Safeguarding Team held its first survivor group meetings in November, which were an opportunity for anyone with lived experience of abuse to share their thoughts and ideas about survivor support work in our diocese. The Team is very grateful to all those who generously gave their time to attend these meetings. The diocese would welcome the opportunity to hear from others who have a lived experience of abuse, so that we can involve them in the work that is being done to support survivors. If you would like to help us with this work, or you would like to find out more, please contact Sophie Scagell (Survivor Support Caseworker) on 01364 645436 or sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk.

Lent Course on Zoom

The Parish of Teignmouth, Dawlish and Shaldon is holding its annual Zoom Lent Course and generously invites anyone in the diocese to join them. The speakers, all from our diocese, will base their sessions on the five great "Initiation" Gospels of Year A: Deacon Nick Johnson, 16 February, The Temptations of Jesus; Fr Andrew Marlborough, 1 March, The Transfiguration; Deborah Fisher, 8 March, The Woman at the Well; Fr Ignatius Raj, 15 March, The Man born blind; and Gerard Gillespie, 22 March, The Raising of Lazarus. The sessions start at 6.30pm and the Zoom access details are: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83445840521?pwd=K3IKRFVGbnY0eEMzc3pVMVhOcnFCdz09>. Meeting ID: 834 4584 0521 Passcode: 862737.

Coffee Mornings for the New Church

As the work on the rebuilding of the church in Tiverton edges closer, in order to raise funds for various items that will be needed in the new building – eg altar linen, processional cross and candles – we are asking parishioners to start holding Coffee Mornings in the different areas of the parish. If you would like to offer to host a Coffee Morning, please let Canon Kristian, Maggie Pulford or Margaret Found know.

GATHER 2024

The annual GATHER Conference unites people from across the Diocese of Plymouth and further afield for a weekend of faith, formation and friendship. This year, once again, GATHER will be held at the Livermead Cliff Hotel,

Torquay, Friday 23 February – Sunday 25 February. Speakers include Avril Baigent from the Diocese of Northampton, artist Colin Bentley, Sr Mary Magdalen from the Sisters of Mary, Morning Star, Lynton, and David Wells. Jo Boyce from CJM Music will be leading the liturgies. Go for the whole weekend or as a day delegate. To book use the QR code on the poster or this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FvkAtifpACGwz3CvLBQG0VR59brlyHxY08DvB6YViwM/edit>.

Lay Pastoral Worker Vacancy

Aggies, a forward-looking Christian Charity supporting the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Royal Fleet Auxiliary and their families, has a vacancy for a Lay Pastoral Worker to join the Chaplaincy Team at RM Norton Manor, Taunton. This post calls for a Christian vocation with the ability to work effectively in a dynamic and professional military environment. It is a part-time post, 12 hours per week, annual salary £7,289. For a full recruitment pack visit www.aggies.org.uk/vacancies. Closing date for application is 29 January.

Parish Diary

Saturday 20 January – Weekday

- CAFOD Deanery Parishes Meeting, 11.00am-1.00pm, in the Hall
- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm *Pro Populo*

Sunday 21 January– Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Sunday of the Word of God

- Holy Mass at 10.00am *Elaine Sausmann RIP*
- Holy Mass at 11.30am (at St Boniface)

Monday 22 January – Weekday

- Sing to Remember at 2.00pm in the Hall

Tuesday 23 January – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 10.00am

Wednesday 24 January – St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor

- Holy Mass at 12noon (St Boniface) *Martin Shaw (ints)*

Thursday 25 January – The Conversion of St Paul

- Holy Mass in Polish at 6.00pm

Friday 26 January – St Timothy and St Titus, Bishops

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions at 11.30am
- Holy Mass with Prayers for Healing at 12noon
- Burns' Night Celebration at 7.00pm in the Hall

Saturday 27 January – Holocaust Memorial Day

- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm

Sunday 28 January– Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Racial Justice Day

- Holy Mass at 10.00am *Pro Popolo*
- Holy Mass at 11.30am (at St Boniface)
- United Service at 6.30pm at King Street Chapel, Tiverton