

**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

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**  
**1 September 2024**



**TO HOPE AND ACT  
WITH CREATION**

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

*The firstfruits of hope*  
(Rom 8:19-25)

**Parish Clergy:**

Revd Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest  
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## Prayer Intention for September

Pope Francis invites the Church to join him in prayer this month for the cry of the Earth: *"Let us pray that each one of us hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of the victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to care personally for the world in which we live."* To watch a video of the Holy Father introducing this intention go to <https://thepopevideo.org/>.

## The Season of Creation 2024: The First Fruits of Hope

In 2015 Pope Francis instituted the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation which starts the ecumenical Season of Creation. This takes place every year from 1 September to the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October. In the Pope's message [Hope and Act with Creation](#), he reminds us that "Hoping and acting with creation means first of all joining forces and walking together with our sisters and brothers throughout the world in common purpose". We are also called to action and Pope Francis tells us that the Holy Spirit "keeps the believing community alert and continually instructs them, calls them to conversion in lifestyles, to resist human degradation of the environment. Believing in a better future means taking action to bring it to life". This Sunday at 2.00pm Christians around the world are invited to join an online prayer service to come together in a joyful celebration of our common cause: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MUB-DT4x\\_Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MUB-DT4x_Y).

***Good Father, the cry of the earth  
strikes in the Heart of your Son Jesus,  
and cries out to us "I want mercy and not sacrifices".  
Our Common Home implores us  
a bold and radical change in our way of life.  
We need courage and a holy indignation  
to commit ourselves to a cultural change  
that welcomes the cry of the Earth and the poor.  
We need the fire of your Holy Spirit to burn in our hearts,  
to contemplate and give thanks, to welcome and to care,  
so that we may all feel as one in You.  
May our gestures of love and care for everyone and everything  
rise up to You as a universal prayer of adoration,  
of thanksgiving and forgiveness.  
May our daily living reflect a temperate and modest lifestyle  
that moderates how excessively greedy  
we tend to be with the world and each other.  
May we embrace this cry for help, transforming it  
with our decisions into a loving and consoling melody.  
Amen.***

## Confirmation 2025

Next year is a Confirmation year for the parish, so if there are any young people, aged 14 or over, who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please complete the attached form and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible,

## First Holy Communion 2025

Parents with children 7 years and older who are due to prepare for the reception of First Holy Communion next June are asked to complete the attached form and return it to the parish office as soon as possible.

## Coffee Morning and Musical Afternoon

Please put the following dates in your diary:

- ✚ A Coffee Morning, hosted by Alan and Nina Newsome, in the St James Hall on Wednesday 11 September, 10.00am-12noon
- ✚ A Christmas-themed Musical Afternoon, hosted by April and John Golding in Bampton, on Wednesday 11 December, 3.00-5.00pm.

If you would like to host a Coffee Morning or similar event in October or November, please have a word with Maggie Pulford or Margaret Found.

## Caritas Jubilee Photography Project

As we prepare for the Year of Jubilee, Caritas Diocese of Plymouth would like to invite you to reflect on **Care for Creation** and how we live this out in our churches and communities today. To explore this issue Caritas would like to collect and share photographs by parishioners of people and places in the Diocese. They would like to explore three themes that call to mind the reflected glory of the Lord in the beautiful world we are asked to care for. The themes are **Beauty, Good Choices** and **Humanity**. To find out more please follow the link: <https://wp.me/paTncV-a2d>.

## Youth Rally



The infamous Youth Rally will take place at St Rita's, Honiton, on Saturday 28 September 2024. Cost £10 per participant which include pizza. As usual there are many activities for all to join in, including the obstacle course, penalty shootout and various inflatable activities. Young people from 6–16 are welcome to form parish teams of 6 to compete against others. A parish group of less than 6 can be combined with another parish. For booking and information, please contact Saskia: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk).

## July Parish Giving

Loose Collection: £967.1    Contactless: £380.00    Standing Orders: £3182.50

## Coffee Morning at St Andrew's

As we contemplate our upcoming move to St Andrew's whilst St James is being rebuilt, we would like to show support for their community events. They will be holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 7 September in St Andrew's Church Hall, 10.30am-12.30pm, in support of the New Vine Education and Training Centre in Eastern Uganda, which now has over 100 pupils. Do go along and show your support if you can.

## Parish Diary

### **Saturday 31 August – St Aidan, Missionary, and the Saints of Lindisfarne**

- Friends of St James and St Boniface at 9.30am in the Hall
- Youth Club, 11.00am-12.30pm, in St Boniface Hall
- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm *Pro Populo*

### **Sunday 1 September – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**

- Holy Mass at 10.00am *Christine Best RIP*
- Holy Mass at 11.30am (at St Boniface)

### **Monday 2 September – Weekday**

- Singing to Remember at 2.00pm in the Hall

### **Tuesday 3 September – St Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor**

- Holy Mass at **9.00am**

### **Wednesday 4 September – St Cuthbert, Bishop**

- **No Mass** (St Boniface)

### **Thursday 5 September – Weekday**

- Lunch/"Book" Club at 12.30pm at Waterloo Cross
- Holy Mass at 6.00pm

### **Friday 6 September – Weekday**

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions at 11.30am
- Holy Mass at 12noon
- Prayer of the Holy Rosary at 12.30pm

### **Saturday 7 September – Weekday**

- Coffee Morning, 10.30am-12.30pm, St Andrew's Church Hall
- Laudato Si' Group at 4.00pm in the Hall
- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm

### **Sunday 8 September – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**

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