

**PARISH OF ST JAMES at ST ANDREW'S & 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

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**  
**16 February 2025**



**Parish Clergy:**

Revd Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest  
Revd Deacon Michael Tosh

Also resident in the Parish:

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## Racial Justice Sunday



This year marks the 30th anniversary of Racial Justice Sunday. The theme in this Jubilee year is: "*Pilgrims of Hope: Our Journey Together Towards Racial Justice*", and it invites Catholics across England and Wales to reflect on the collective journey towards racial justice in our schools, parishes and wider society. Bishop Paul McAleenan, Lead Bishop for Racial Justice, said: "*This year, we invite the Catholic community to reflect on the journey towards racial justice - past, present and*

*future - by asking: 'How far have we come, where are we now and what remains to be achieved?' Just as pilgrims must prepare for their journey and be properly equipped, we, too, need all that is necessary to propel us towards racial justice - the mind of Christ; examination of our progress and of the challenges that remain; a willingness to learn from one another together; and prayers for and on the journey.*" Let us be *Pilgrims of Hope* in our parish as we welcome newcomers and address challenges and opportunities, and be *Pilgrims of Hope* towards racial justice in society by advocating for Racial Justice where we live. There will be a retiring collection at the end of Mass to support the wonderful work of the Catholic Association for Racial Justice.

## Palms for Ash Wednesday Ashes

We are only a few weeks away from the beginning of Lent! Now is the time to bring last year's palm crosses back to church, so that they can be burnt to provide the ashes for use on Ash Wednesday.

## Young Adults Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome

Do you want to deepen your faith and engage more fully in your Catholic community? Come and encounter the breadth and depth of the Catholic Church with a Pilgrimage to Rome 28 July - 4 August 2025 for 20-35 year olds. As well as Mass with Pope Francis, you will experience the vibrancy of the Church as you are surrounded by thousands of young pilgrims from around the world, glorifying God. You will then be able to share this unique experience by giving back to your community from the riches that God wills to give to you. To register your interest by this Monday, 17 February, please follow the link: <https://forms.office.com/e/fhZ8zmvLy6>.

## New Missals

Parishioners are still asking to order new Missals with the new translation of the Mass readings. The cost for a Sunday Missal is £18.95, whilst a Weekday Missal costs £66.49. If you would like to order one, please put your name and contact details on the sheet at the back of church this weekend, indicating whether you would like the Sunday or Weekday version.



## "Saying Goodbye" Remembrance Service

On Saturday 1 March at 12.30pm, in Exeter Cathedral, the charity Mariposa International will be hosting one of its Saying Goodbye Services. This Service is for anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in early years, or who has been affected by family members' or friends' loss, whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago. The Service also gladly welcomes anyone who is grieving the fact that they haven't had children due to circumstance, infertility or for other reasons. Babies and children are invited to come with their families, as the Saying Goodbye Service is a family event for all. To read more about the charity, please go to [www.sayinggoodbye.org](http://www.sayinggoodbye.org)



## Assisted Suicide – What you can do to defeat the Leadbeater Bill

MPs voted for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill to pass its Second Reading in November. This bill can still be defeated when MPs next vote at the end of April, but your help is needed. To find how to best lobby your MP on this issue, the SPUC South Devon branch is offering two meetings, on Friday 28 February at 7.00pm at St Peter's Church, St Boniface Lane, Plymouth, PL5 3AX and on Saturday 1 March at 10.30 am at St Joseph's Church Hall, 96 Queen St, Newton Abbot, TQ12 2ET. To book or for further information contact Chris Hudson [chrishud78@gmail.com](mailto:chrishud78@gmail.com) (Plymouth) or Deborah van Kroonenberg [deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk) or [newtonabbot@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:newtonabbot@prcdtr.org.uk) (Newton Abbot).

## Handbell Concert and Cream Tea



On Saturday 22 March, at 2.30pm in St Andrew's, Tiverton, there will be a Handbell Concert by Poole-based quartet, Clapper Chaos. Between them, they play a set of 41 bells and a two-octave set of 25 hand chimes. All their arrangements are unique, and you will not hear them played by any other group! The concert will be followed by a Cream Tea in the Hall. Tickets for the event (inclusive of the Cream Tea) are on sale at church now, £10.00 each. The proceeds will be shared

equally between the communities of St Andrew's and St James'.

## Year of Jubilee Study Day – Book of Revelation

In this Jubilee Year where Pope Francis has asked us to be active "Pilgrims of Hope", the renowned scripture scholar and author, Fr Nicholas King SJ, will help us to understand the Book of Revelation and how the Word of God is our power for Mission. This day will be held at Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre on Saturday 15 March, 10.00am – 4.00pm. (Dart View Room 4). Booking is essential and needs to be done through [plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk). Ring 01752 701660 for further information.

## Preparation for First Holy Communion

The next session of our First Holy Communion preparation programme will take place on March 1<sup>st</sup> at 10.00am in St John's School Hall, Melbourne Street, Tiverton.

## Parish Youth Club

The fortnightly Parish Youth Club in St Boniface's Hall, Cullompton, is going well, and it is great to see youngsters from across the parish and from different backgrounds coming along to take part and having a fun time together. The Youth Club takes place again this Saturday, 11.00am-12.30pm.

## 200 Club

Congratulations to Vivienne Brewster who won the £30 prize and to Andrew Tosh who won the £20 prize in the February draw. We really need more parishioners to join this on-going fund raiser. If you would like to join for as little as £1 a month, please speak to Simon Coombs or Sheelagh Bourdon at St Andrews or Siobhan Gilroy at St Boniface.

## Parish Diary

### Saturday 15 February – Weekday

- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm

### Sunday 16 February – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface)
- Holy Mass at 11.30am *Pro Populo*

### Monday 17 February – Weekday

- Signing to Remember at 2.00pm in St Andrew's Hall

### Tuesday 18 February – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 9.00am

### Wednesday 19 February – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 12noon (St Boniface)

### Thursday 20 February – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 9.00am

### Friday 21 February – Weekday

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

### Saturday 22 February – The Chair of St Peter - Apostle

- St James and St Boniface Youth Club, 11.00am-12.30pm at St Boniface's Hall
- Vigil Mass of Sunday at 6.00pm

### Sunday 23 February – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface)
- Holy Mass at 11.30am *Pro Populo*