

**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*

St James and St Boniface Parish is part of Plymouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust  
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**NEWSLETTER**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – LAETARE SUNDAY (A)**  
**15 March 2025**



**Parish Clergy:**

Rev'd Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest  
Rev'd Deacon Michael Tosh

Also resident in the Parish:  
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## Mothering Sunday

The Fourth Sunday of Lent – *Laetare Sunday* – is also Mothering Sunday. On this day we give thanks and pray for all mothers, especially our own and those in our parish community. We also remember all those women who have nurtured us physically, emotionally and spiritually throughout our lives.

## Products for Dignity - Household Cleaning Products for CHAT



As one of the themes of Lent is that of cleansing and purification, the Friends of St James and St Boniface thought that it would be appropriate that we should focus our Lenten support for CHAT on asking parishioners to bring offerings of household cleaning products - washing up liquid and scourers, kitchen/bathroom/toilet cleaner, cleaning cloths and dusters, washing powder or capsules and laundry softener. The Foodbank has a great need of these things, which are essential to enable individuals and families to clean their accommodation and their clothes, both external acts which recognise and enhance the dignity of every person. The cleaning **Products for Dignity** collection will last the full 40 days of Lent. Please leave donations at the back of church.

## Lent Talks on Zoom

Fr Mark Skelton, the parish priest in Newquay, is opening up his parish Lent Talks based on the parables of Jesus on Zoom to anyone across the diocese who would like to take part. The Meeting ID is 895 7188 9251 and the Password is 125755. The talks are as follows: Thursday 19 March, 7.00pm, Sr Bernadette Reis - The Parable of the Prodigal Son; Thursday 2 March, 7.00pm, Mr Simon Giarchi - The Parable of the Sheep and the Goats.

## David Westwick RIP

The Requiem Mass for David Westwick will take place this Friday, 20 March, at 11.00am in St Boniface, Cullompton. His body will be received into church the previous evening at 5.30pm. Please keep Vonnice and her family in your prayers in a special way at this time.

## National Child Exploitation Awareness Day

National Child Exploitation Awareness Day occurs this Wednesday, 18 March. The purpose of the Day is to highlight the issues surrounding child exploitation; encouraging everyone to think, spot and speak out against abuse and adopt a zero tolerance to adults developing inappropriate relationships with children or children exploiting and abusing their peers. Visit [https://stop-ce.org/?\\_gl=1%2A1r3cmqj%2A\\_ga%2AMjA50TAxNDg3MC4xNzczNDE5MjYz%2A\\_ga\\_S6QXWVQS8R%2AczE3NzM0MTkyNjIkbzEKzZEkdDE3NzM0MTk0NjkkajU3JGwwJGgw](https://stop-ce.org/?_gl=1%2A1r3cmqj%2A_ga%2AMjA50TAxNDg3MC4xNzczNDE5MjYz%2A_ga_S6QXWVQS8R%2AczE3NzM0MTkyNjIkbzEKzZEkdDE3NzM0MTk0NjkkajU3JGwwJGgw) to find out more information about this day and how you can deepen and further awareness.



### **Tea, Coffee and Cake**

Come and enjoy tea, coffee, cake and more, 2.00-4.00pm, on St Patrick's Day, this Tuesday 17 March, in St Andrew's Hall. There will also be a not-to-be-missed talk on "How to make an icon". Donations will go towards the internal furnishings of the rebuilt St James and St John.

### **Diocesan Newsletter**

The Diocesan newsletter for March with news and views is available at: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-EE999F4145FB3F0F2540EF23F30FEDED>.

### **Eggcellent Easter Raffle**

Friends of St James and St Boniface are running an Easter raffle. Tickets are now on sale. Any donations for the raffle can be left in the basket at church; we hope to expand the hamper currently on display. All proceeds to the refurbishment of the new church.

### **Lent Station Masses with Bishop Nicholas**

Throughout Lent, Bishop Nicholas will be celebrating Station Masses across our diocese. The idea of the Station Mass originated in Rome in the time of Pope Gregory the Great and continues to the present: daily Lenten Masses are held at forty different, "station" (from the Latin "statio" for outpost) churches around the city. The next Station Mass in our deanery will take place in St Mary's Church, Barnstaple, on Tuesday 24 March at 7.00pm.



### **200 Club**

Congratulations to Maggie Pulford who won the £30 prize and to Margaret Stanley who won the £20 prize in the March draw. If you would like to join this on-going fund raiser for as little as £1 a month, please speak to Simon Coombs or Sheelagh Bourdon at St Andrews or Siobhan Gilroy at St Boniface.

### **Vigil for Peace**

The next Vigil for Peace will be held on Tuesday 24 March, 7.00pm, at St Andrew's Church in Tiverton. As previously, the time of vigil will still focus on peace in Palestine but, as the conflict in the Middle East escalates, there will also be a wider intention of prayer for peace throughout the world.

### **Contemplative Retreat**

An Introduction to the Gries Path of Prayer, as well as an opportunity for a short retreat for those familiar with this way of prayer, will take place at St Rita's Centre, Honiton, 20-24 April. For further details, contact the retreat coordinator Paddy Rylands at [paddyrylands@gmail.com](mailto:paddyrylands@gmail.com).

### **Great Tommy Sleep Out**

Our parishioner, Ewelina Zychlinska, will be taking part in the Great Tommy Sleep Out on Saturday 21 March to raise funds for Royal British Veterans

Enterprise. If you would like to support her, please go to her JustGiving page, which can be found [here](#).

### Ladies' Clothes Swish

Friends of St James and St Boniface are holding a Ladies' Clothes Swish on Saturday 11 April, 10.00am-12noon in St Andrews Hall. Pay £10 and fill a shopping bag from the ladies' clothes and accessories on display. Additional bags will cost £10 each. Tea, coffee and cake will be available. We are now collecting donations of ladies' clothes and accessories. These can be left in St Andrew's Hall. All clothes must be clean and in a saleable condition. Proceeds to the refurbishment of the new church.

### Parish Diary

#### Saturday 14 March – Lent Weekday

- Parish Finance and Property Committee at 9.30am in St Andrew's Hall
- Youth Club, 11.00am-12.30pm, in St Boniface's Hall
- Holy Baptism of Rosemary Woolley at 1.30pm
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

#### Sunday 15 March – Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday (A)

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface) *Pro Populo*
- Holy Mass at 11.30am *Patrick Bolton (birthday ints)*

#### Monday 16 March – Lent Weekday

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

#### Tuesday 17 March – St Patrick, Missionary Bishop, Patron of Ireland

- Holy Mass at 9.00am
- Afternoon Tea, Coffee and Cake with a talk on How to Make an Icon, 2.00-4.00pm, in St Andrew's Hall

#### Wednesday 18 March – Lent Weekday

- **No** Mass at St Boniface

#### Thursday 19 March – St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Holy Mass at 9.00am
- Reception of the Body at 5.30pm (St Boniface)

#### Friday 20 March – Lent Weekday

- Requiem Mass for David Westwick RIP at 11.00am (St Boniface)
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions at 11.30am
- Holy Mass at 12noon
- Prayer of the Holy Rosary at 12.30pm

#### Saturday 21 March – Lent Weekday

- Friends of St James and St Boniface at 9.00am in St Andrew's Hall
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

#### Sunday 22 March – Fifth Sunday of Lent

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