

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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
26 July 2026



Parish Clergy:

Revd Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest
Revd Deacon Michael Tosh

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

Parish Secretary: Vacant

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Aid to the Church in Need Holy Land Appeal



The Holy Land, whilst it has the roots of Christianity steeped deep in the region, the modern reality tells a story of misery and hardship for the Christians who live there.

- The Christian population in Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ, continues to fall.
- There is a healthcare crisis with Christian hospitals and clinics reporting shortages of medicine, clean water, and electricity in Gaza and the West Bank.
- 48% of Christian youth in the Holy Land are considering emigration, citing fear, discrimination, and lack of opportunity and future in the Holy Land.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in The Holy Land. Also, your generosity will give urgent assistance to Christian families in Jerusalem, the West Bank, northern Israel and Jordan. A gift today will provide immediate relief as well as offer support to long-term projects so that Christian families may continue to remain in the homeland. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) has an emergency appeal for Christians in The Holy Land: <https://acnuk.org/holy-land-appeal>. In addition, if you want to support ACN and take action as a volunteer in support of suffering Christians, contact Steve Riedlinger, Community Fundraiser for ACN at steve.riedlinger@acnuk.org or 07939362479.

Peace Vigil

A fourth Vigil for Peace in Palestine and throughout the world, with prayers, readings and periods of silence, will take place at St Andrew's in Tiverton this Tuesday, 28 July, at 7.00pm.

Tough Times Support Group

The Tough Times Support Group will be meeting this coming week on Thursday 30 July at 7.00pm in St Boniface's Hall. There is no need to carry your burden alone. Come along and find some support by sharing as much or as little as you feel you can with others experiencing tough times themselves.

Coffee Morning

A Coffee Morning will be hosted next Saturday, 1 August, at Stylehurst, Tiverton, EX16 5PA, from 10.00am-12noon. The theme is "Pirates and Princesses", and so those who would like are encouraged to come dressed accordingly! All welcome.

Diocesan Newsletter

The Diocesan Newsletter for July/August is now available by going to <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-47E6F88D98A22DCD2540EF23F30FEDED>. If you would like to subscribe and receive the Diocesan Newsletter directly, please go to <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/h/t/A561A3216C433494>.

Fr Jonathan Bielawski RIP

Fr Jon Bielawski, the parish priest of the parishes of Crownhill Plymouth and Yelverton and the diocesan lead for evangelisation and catechesis, died this week. Please pray for the repose of his soul. Details about his funeral, which will take place in the Cathedral in Plymouth, will be made public shortly.



Understanding Abuse – Free Training Day for All

A free training day, hosted by the Diocese of Plymouth Safeguarding Team and delivered by FearFree, will be held on Saturday 26 September, 10.00am-4.00pm, at St Boniface House, Ashburton. The training offers an opportunity to develop your understanding of abuse and the support available for those affected. It may be beneficial for anyone wishing to strengthen their knowledge and confidence in this important area of ministry and safeguarding. It will also provide an opportunity for anyone who may be interested in volunteering as part of our forthcoming Chaplaincy for Survivors initiative to express an interest in the role and to meet members of the Diocese Safeguarding Team in person. Attendance at this training will be a prerequisite for anyone wishing to apply or volunteer for the Chaplaincy for Survivors role, as it forms an important part of the foundation knowledge and preparation for the position. If you are interested in attending, please find the booking information and event details [here](#) and see the attached poster.

An Evening with Marie Curie



As part of Morrisons Paint It Yellow fundraiser, you are invited to join Marie Curie for a special evening on Wednesday 19 August at 6.00pm in Morrisons Tiverton Café to learn more about the vital end of life care and support they provide across Devon. With their local nursing hub based in Tiverton, this is a fantastic opportunity to hear directly from local Marie Curie nurses working in communities across Devon. Attendees will gain a unique insight into the challenges facing end-of-life care and learn more about Marie Curie's work to help close the gap in end-of-life care, ensuring everyone can access the support they need at the end of life. They will also find out about opportunities to volunteer, fundraise or support Marie Curie in the Tiverton area. Whether you are familiar with Marie Curie already or simply want to learn more about the care provided in your local community, Marie Curie would love to welcome you along. For more information, please contact: Lauren Derbyshire, Community Fundraiser – Devon, at lauren.derbyshire@mariecurie.org.uk or on 07515 135103.

Retrouvaille England and Wales

Is your marriage in a rut? Do you need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. The next dates are 2-4 October. Please go to www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info for more information or ring 07887 296983.

Adoremus – The Third National Eucharistic Congress

The third National Eucharistic Congress will take place in London on Saturday 10 October. The Principal Mass will be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, followed by a procession to Westminster Cathedral, with a Vigil of Adoration from Midnight to 6.00am. If you would like to be one of our 50 diocesan delegates, please contact Fr Chris Findlay Wilson on 01202 746539.

Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Rotas

Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in Tiverton are asked to put their names down on the appropriate rotas at the back of St Andrew's to ensure that we have the necessary ministers for Masses over the summer.

Parish Diary

Saturday 25 July – St James, Apostle

- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm *Pro Populo*

Sunday 26 July – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface)
- Holy Mass at 11.30am *Barbara Ng RIP*

Monday 27 July – Weekday

- Singing to Remember at 2.00pm

Tuesday 28 July – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 9.00am
- Parish Monthly Lunch, 12noon-2.00pm, in St Andrew's Hall
- Peace Vigil at 7.00pm

Wednesday 29 July – Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus

- Holy Mass at 12noon (St Boniface)

Thursday 30 July – St Germanus of Auxerre, Bishop

- Holy Mass at 9.00am
- Tough Times Support Group, 7.00pm, in St Boniface's Hall

Friday 31 July – St Ignatius Loyola, Priest

- Confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 11.30am
- Holy Mass with Prayers for Healing at 12noon

Saturday 1 August – St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor

- Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12noon, at Stylehurst, Tiverton EX16 5PA
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm *Pro Populo*

Sunday 2 August – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface) *Zofia Baranowska RIP*
- Holy Mass at 11.30am