

BRIDPORT CATHOLIC PARISH

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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Easter Week	Psalter 1/Year2		Mass Intention	
Saturday 31 st March	10am	Bridport	Morning Prayer & Blessing of Easter Food	
Holy Saturday	9pm	Bridport	Mass of the Easter Vigil	New Christians Reception of John Pyle
Sunday 1 st April	8am	Chideock	Mass of Easter Dawn	Bishop Mark
Easter Sunday	10am	Bridport	Parish Easter Mass	People of the Parish
Tuesday 3 rd April	11.40am	Bridport	Prayers to the Divine Mercy	
	12 noon	Bridport	Mass	The Divine Mercy
	12.45	Bridport	Tuesday soup bread & cheese lunch.	
Wednesday 4 th April	10am	Beaminster	Mass	Tom Spurle RIP
Thursday 5 th April	10am	Bridport	Mass	The Steele Benefactor
Friday 6 th April Coffee after Mass	10am	Chideock	Mass	John & Eileen Carrivick RIP
	9.15am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers	
	10am	Bridport	Meditation Group	
Saturday 7 th April	9.30am	Bridport	Mass	Louise & Alan Walford
	10.30am	Bridport	Confessions from 9am Junior Choir Practice	
2 nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	6pm	Beaminster	Mass	The Catholic Women's League
Sunday 8 th April Divine Mercy Sunday 2 nd Sunday of Easter	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass	People of the Parish

We remember in our prayers: our parish school; our house bound, those who are sick; and whose Anniversaries occur around this time:-

Roger Scott, Martin Barrett, Rhoda Burns, Greta Smith, Thomas Spurle, Catherine Rigby, Frances Compton, Emily Baillon, Alfred Cox, Jacqueline Hawkins, William Neal, Helen Burge, Henry Hayes, Laura Jeanes, Miriam Langton-Smith, Evelyn Cornick, Veronica Young, Peter Gilroy, Ethel Hastings, Ethel Dodson, Anne Barber.

May they rest in peace.

The response to the psalm at our weekend Masses this weekend is **“This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.”**

This week's quotation from our **Holy Father Pope Francis**:-
“Easter brings a sign in the midst of so many calamities: a sense of looking beyond, of saying don't look to a wall, there's a horizon, there's life, there is joy.”

A happy and joy-filled Easter to all our parishioners and their families!

We are all enormously grateful to everyone who had a special part to play in the services and ceremonies of **the Triduum and Easter**: servers & ministers, singers & musicians, readers, cleaners & polishers, welcomers and our Parish Secretary.

Thank you also to all who gave so generously to **our collection throughout Lent for the Margaret Clitherow Trust**; we are able now to send Fr John a grand total of **£894.81**.

Our dear parishioner **Sarah (“Sadie”) Pyle died last weekend**; our condolences to John and all the family. Sarah's Funeral Mass will be on Thursday week, the 12th, at 11.30 and will replace the usual 10am Mass. It is very lovely that John has been received into the Catholic Church at the Vigil Mass this Saturday. We welcome him into our company.

Next weekend, the Second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate **the Divine Mercy**.

Bishop Mark has announced that Canon Bart Nannery, Dean of our Cathedral in Plymouth for the last 28 years, is moving to Devonport at the end of July. The **new Dean is to be Fr Mark O’Keeffe**, currently Parish Priest of Paignton; Canon Richard has been in touch with congratulations on behalf of our parish. Bishop Mark has also announced that his Chaplain & Secretary **Canon Keith Mitchell has been made a ‘Monsignor’** by Rome.

After a further meeting about encouraging Meditation in the life of the parish we are about to launch a **Christian Meditation Group**. It will meet on Fridays in our Parish Church at **10am** starting on April 6th. All are welcome. And if you know members of other local churches and congregations who would like to come, please invite and encourage them.

If you did not pick up an envelope last week for your **Easter Offering**, there are some spares on the Repository Stall. Please fill in your details if you are able to **Gift Aid**. By long tradition in Catholic parishes the **collections this weekend go towards the support of our Parish Priest**.

Books! Books! Books! In order to find room for their combined ‘libraries’, Canon Richard and Christine are getting rid of hundreds of books. There will be a **book sale in our church hall on Saturday, April 14th, 10:30 – 1**. Refreshments will be available and all profits will go to the church fabric fund. Come and enjoy a browse!

All Catholics in the UK are being invited to join **‘Rosary on the Coast’** at 3pm on Sunday, April 29th: a demonstration of prayer marking the 50th anniversary of the Abortion Act. We hope to have a group ourselves on the beach at West Bay to join others all around the country, forming (as the organisers put it) ‘a ring of grace around our coast for faith, life and peace’.

The **proposed Junior Choir** will sing at our Parish Mass first on April 8th under Ray D’Inverno’s direction. It was so lovely the other Sunday to have a ‘taster’ of what they could do. They will practise in our Hall the day before, Saturday the 7th, at 10.30am. Members of the choir do not have to be Catholic and will include a number from our Parish School. Once established they will lead the music and singing at our Parish Mass each First Sunday of the month. Please encourage this exciting new venture.

The next **CWL meeting will be on Monday 9th April at 7pm** in the Parish Hall.

We have had a thank you from **CAFOD** for the wonderful amount of money raised from our **Family Fast Day**, which amounted to **£860.84**, very many thanks to all who contributed.

This Friday there will be **Coffee after Mass in Chideock** and the First Friday of each Month in the Museum. All are welcome

Our **Tuesday Lunches** have raised a grand total of **£713** since they started at the beginning of January. A cheque has now been sent to CAFOD. Thank you to everyone who has made this such a success

Applications are now being taken for places at the Plymouth Diocese **Catechetical Summer Camps**, to be held at **Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey**. Camp details and application forms can be found on-line from the camp website : www.pdsummercamps.org.uk
Prompt applications are advisable.

The next **Day with Mary will be on Saturday 28th April** at the **Cathedral Church of SS Peter & Paul, Bristol**. For further information please see the posters in each of our Churches

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2nd - 8th August 2018 led by Bishop Mark. Flying from Exeter a time of prayer and relaxation. Cost **£779**. For further information and to book please see the information in each of our churches.

Celebrate Ascension Thursday at Buckfast Abbey: join the Catholic Children's Society for the day on 10th May to raise funds for our local families in need. Mass will be celebrated at midday, followed by lunch and a talk from the Rt Hon Ann Widdecombe. Tickets **£25** to include lunch and a tour of the grounds or the Abbey. Call our office 01364 645420 or email ccs@prcdtr.org.uk for details.

Fully escorted **Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland** on 1st July 2018. **£649** per person sharing. Price includes flights transfers, 5 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of **£100**. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 18th – 25th February 2019. For further information please see the posters in each of our churches.

We have received a message of thanks from **Missio (AFP)** saying that during the last year our Parish have raised **£1,879.09** through **The Red Box Collections**, very many thanks to all who have Red Boxes and to the promoters who give up so much time to collect the boxes and count the money.

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