

BRIDPORT CATHOLIC PARISH

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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5 th Week in Ordinary Time	Psalter 1/Year2		Mass Intention	
Saturday 3 rd February	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Confessions from 9am	Ted Davis RIP
	10.30am	The Bull	Men's breakfast	
5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6pm	Beaminster	Mass Confessions from 5.30pm	Daniel Donoghue RIP
Sunday 4 th February	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass	People of the Parish
5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time				
Tuesday 6 th February	11.40	Bridport	Prayers to the Divine Mercy	
	12 noon	Bridport	Mass	Judy Davis RIP
St. Paul Miki & Companions	12.45	Bridport	Tuesday soup bread & cheese lunch	
Wednesday 7 th February	10am	Beaminster	Mass	Charles Ziegler RIP
St. John (transferred)	7pm	Bridport	Pastoral Council Meeting	
Thursday 8 th February	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary	
	10am	Bridport	Mass Adoration after Mass till 11am.	Jim Draper RIP
	4.15pm	Bridport	First Communion Class	
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir practice	
Friday 9 th February	10am	Chideock	Mass	Plymouth Secular Clergy
	10am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers	
Saturday 10 th February St. Scholastica	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Confessions from 9am	Alfreda & Zbigniew Rządkiwicz RIP
6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Day of Prayer for the sick 2 nd Collection Lourdes Pilgrims	6pm	Chideock	Mass Confessions from 5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 11 th February 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Day of Prayer for the sick 2 nd Collection Lourdes Pilgrims	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass and anointing	In thanksgiving BH

**We remember in our prayers: our parish school; our house bound who receive Holy Communion;
those of the parish who are sick; and those whose Anniversaries occur around this time:**

Herbert Pinkett, Albert Boteler, Maurice Kemp, Margaret Hartley, Kathleen Rendell, Daniel Donoghue, Helen Burrige,
Catherine Bartlett, Christopher Steer, Margaret Croucher, Charles Ziegler, Peter O'Sullivan, Elaine Read.

May they rest in peace.

The response to the psalm at our weekend Masses this weekend is **“Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted”**

This week’s quotation from our **Holy Father Pope Francis**: “If we are too attached to riches, we are not free, we are slaves.”

Note that this week there will be no opportunity for **Confessions on Tuesday** before the mid-day Mass.

Next weekend (10th & 11th) is the Church’s **Special Day of Prayer for the Sick**, coinciding with the feast on Sunday of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Bishop has asked for a second collection to help support those going on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in August.

At the end of the **Parish Mass next Sunday** (11th) there will once again be the opportunity for people to come forward for **anointing with the Oil of the Sick**. This can be for themselves but also on behalf of those close to them who need this sacramental reassurance of the Lord’s healing and strengthening presence at a difficult time.

Looking ahead, note that **Ash Wednesday is on the 14th**. As well as the usual Wednesday Mass at Beaminster at 10 there will be a Sung Mass in our Parish Church at 7pm. Both Masses will of course include the traditional ceremony of the Imposition of Ashes.

Our **Tuesday Soup, bread and cheese lunches** after the mid-day Mass continue with great success. Come and join us. The profit goes to **CAFOD** and its work with the world’s hungry. In just one month we have raised **£197.64!!**

The next CWL meeting will be at St. Mary & St. Catherine’s Church on Monday 12th February at 2pm. A member of the self help group “The Living Tree” will speak at the meeting.

We have had a thank you from **SPUC** who were delighted with the **£365.30 raised for them** from our second collection. Very many thanks to all who contributed.

This week’s Mass at Beaminster will celebrate the feast of our patron saint there, **St John the Evangelist and Apostle**. This has been transferred by Canon Richard from Christmas week when he was ill.

The Catholic Children’s Society Plymouth wish to thank the Parish for the £104.20 raised from our Crib Collection over Christmas. I big thank you to all who contributed.

The next **Pastoral Council Meeting** will be on Wednesday 7th February at 7pm in our hall.

Churches Together Lent Lunches start on Friday 16th February at 12.45pm the first one being at **The Bridport United Church**, please come and support these when you are able. Posters with further details are in each of our Churches.

Somebody has cancelled their place on this year’s retreat to Buckfast from 4th to 6th May inclusive. The place is for a twin ensuite room. Please contact Faith in the office if you are interested.

Taize in Lent at St Catherine’s, Victoria Grove, Sunday 4th March at 4pm, keep the date free if you can further information nearer the time.

“Partition” - a fascinating, illustrated talk on Indian Independence, and the creation of Pakistan, in 1947. Given by Barney White-Spunner author of Best Seller “Partition”, Speaker at the recent Bridport Literary Festival, and Parishioner, **generously offering all proceeds of the evening to Parish Funds**. Presentation - 6pm, Friday, 16th March, in our Parish Hall in Victoria Grove. Tickets - £7 person, available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre. Queries to Veronica D. 01308 862542

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.

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

For the first time since 1908 the English Catholic Church is celebrating a **National Eucharistic Congress** at Liverpool from the 7th – 9th of September. Saturday is the main day and 10,000 are expected. Our diocese has been allocated 300 invitations, and Canon Richard has provisionally **reserved 4 for our parish. Who would like to go?** We need to know **by next weekend** now so that arrangements can be made, if required, for a ‘pilgrim coach’ from our deanery of Dorset with overnight accommodation in Liverpool. Expressions of interest to Faith in the office please.

Jane Saunders is an experienced musician and sound therapist. She gives regular **Soundbaths** which are sessions up to an hour long where one can unwind and let the sound relax the mind, body and spirit. She uses a mixture of toning and instruments such as harp, Himalayan singing bowls, gongs, crystal bowls, and gentle percussion. The sounds are woven into a deeply relaxing surrounding sound which ebbs and flows in tempo and colour. The subtle vibrations pass through the body reducing muscle and nerve pain, lowering blood pressure and heart rate and are also gently energising. The first Soundbath is **Friday 16th February at 6.00pm** in our Church hall and entry is £10. Young people and adults all very welcome. (not suitable for children) Please bring a blanket.

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Our Safeguarding Representatives are Heather McCaughey & Faith Leborgne 01308 422594 (Office Number)

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Lord, teach us how to take care of our material needs
without neglecting our spiritual needs;
how to take care of others
without neglecting ourselves;
how to live joyfully in this world
without losing sight of the world to come.