

BRIDPORT CATHOLIC PARISH

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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33 rd Week in Ordinary Time	Year A	Psalter I/Year I	Mass Intention
Saturday 18 th November	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Confessions from 9am Nicholas Harris RIP
33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of Prayer for the Poor	6pm	Beaminster	Mass Confessions from 5.30pm Alice Clews RIP
Sunday 19 th November	10am	Bridport	Mass Hermine Hoffmann RIP
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Tuesday 21 st November	12 Noon	Bridport	Holy Souls Novena Mass Seven Confessions from 11.30am Prayers to the Divine Mercy after Mass
Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary			
Wednesday 22 nd November	10am	No Mass	
St Cecilia	7pm	Bridport	Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday 23 rd November	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary
	No Mass		
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir Practice
Friday 24 th November	10am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers
St. Andrew Dung-Lac	7pm	Bridport	Sung Mass of St Catherine
Saturday 25 th November	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Stephen & Kathleen Hughes RIP Confessions from 9am
St. Catherine of Alexandria	1.30pm	Chideock	Wedding Mass Gregory and Isobel.
34 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6pm	Chideock	Mass Confessions from 5.30pm Arnold de la Poer RIP
Sunday 26 th November	10am	Bridport	Mass People of the Parish
34 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			

*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:*

Breda Boyd, Joan Smith, Fr. Walter Conway, John McGillicuddy, Simone Meyer, Ellen Joslin, Gertrude Sellick, Anne Groves,
Joanne Wooler, Lawrence Cave, Florence Davidson, Henryk Solobodowski, Sibeal Maguire, Phyliss Scott, Maureen Brown,
Joseph Cuthbertson, Kim McCaffery, Mary Tuck, Wallace Wright, John Reardon.

May they rest in peace.

The response to the psalm at our weekend Masses this weekend is:-
"O blessed are those who fear the Lord."

This week's **quotation from our Holy Father Pope Francis:**
"God created us so that we might live in a profound relationship of friendship with Him, and even when sin broke off this relationship with Him, with others, and with creation, God did not abandon us. The entire history of salvation is the story of God, who seeks out human beings, offers them His love, and welcomes them."

Our Holy Father has asked that this weekend be **Days of Prayer for the Poor.**

The **Parish Pastoral Council** meets on Wednesday at 7pm in our Hall.

On Tuesday **Churches together in Bridport** have their meeting at our Parish Church in the evening at 7.15.

Saturday's Wedding Mass at Chideock will be celebrated by Mgr John Armitage, Rector of the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, assisted by a number of priests from the Oratory.

Next Sunday after the Parish Mass we are due to welcome to the parish a familiar friend, Fr Cor, who comes to make his home with us in Bridport after retiring from a working lifetime in the Solomon Islands.

CAFOD has written to thank the parish for its donation of £488.17 from the special collections at the beginning of last month.

Note that **this week** there is no Mass in the parish on Wednesday the 22nd as Canon Richard will be with the bishop at the Council of Priests meeting in Devon. And he is away all day on Thursday the 23rd.

Next Saturday is the **Feast of our Parish Patron St Catherine.** There will be a **Sung Mass in the Parish Church at 7pm** the evening before, Friday the 24th, followed by a **party** in the hall.

Tickets for the Parish Christmas Lunch on Sunday 17th December will be available from this Sunday. Adults £10, Children under 12 years £7. **See Sadie and Pat after Mass.**

First Holy Communion Programme 2018. It is now the time for interested parents to register their child for inclusion in this programme. To be eligible your child must be in Year 3 or above at school. To register your child's details please contact Faith in the Office. A letter will be sent to all registered parents at the beginning of December, with further details of the programme.

PARISH ADVENT ACTIVITY.....Calling all parishioners - old, young and anywhere in between! Would you like to host Mary and Joseph (figurines) for one night during Advent? They will be accompanied by a small booklet with the story of their journey and a short prayer to share; a wonderful opportunity to help reflect on the true meaning and spirit of Christmas during this busy time. "We need to know your interest and ideally preferred date by the **26th Nov,** so you don't have long; please book early to avoid disappointment... First Come, First Hosting!" For more information, please contact Heather on 07801561997, or Natalie on 01308 897261.

A message from Veronica. **Thank you so VERY much,** each and every one who helped and supported us in so many ways, for the recent Fun "Walk Tall" evening. Although we did not make a fortune we have raised another **£200.79 to go the Uparo Fund;** and the Trustees hope to be able to make our now customary Christmas Donation to worthy projects. The many ways so many people helped, generous with time, and cash, is really touching and inspiring.

There will be a **Christmas Taizé Service** on Sunday 10th December at 3.30pm; and on Thursday 14th December at 7pm there will be a **Churches Together Carol Service,** both at Bridport United Church. All are welcome.

Old £1 Coins: if you have found yourself in the possession of an old pound coin or two, please consider donating them to the Catholic Children's Society via our orange recycling boxes. As the saying goes... every little helps! Many thanks Claire.

The next **One World Forum** meeting will be held on Thursday 23rd November in the Strode Room, Beaminster, with the AGM starting at 6.30 pm followed by refreshments and an illustrated talk at 7.30 pm. The talk will be given by Gary Biltcliffe and Caroline Hoare on "Navel centres of Britain and the Cult of the Goddess". Admission to talk for visitors £4 inc. refreshments.

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

Gather 2018 19th – 21st January Livermead Hotel Torquay. Join Bishop Mark catechists, teachers, clergy and friends of the Diocese of Plymouth for a weekend of friendship faith and formation. Cost £150 residential, £40 day rate. To book please contact Fr. Jonathan Stewart on 01392 274724 or e-mail jonathan.stewart@prcdtr.org.uk.

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.

St. Rita's Retreat Centre in Honiton are holding an **Advent day of Reflection** entitled "What are you Waiting For" on Saturday 16th December between 11am and 4pm. There will be an opportunity for confession and the day will conclude with Mass. The cost is £25 which includes lunch. For further information please see the posters in each of our Churches

"**How to be peacemakers at Christmas!** The last in the year of Fr. Christopher's quiet days is on Saturday 2nd December from 10am till 3pm at the Southgate Retreat Centre, Buckfast Abbey. For further details please see the posters in each of our Churches.

Churches Together in Bridport are holding a prayer meeting in our Church Hall on Tuesday 12th December at 7.30pm, all welcome.

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A PRAYER ABOUT POVERTY

Help us all, Lord, to understand poverty
not as an undesirable state of affairs
which leaves some people short
but as something which dehumanises
not only those who suffer it
but also those who let it happen.

