

BRIDPORT CATHOLIC PARISHÉ

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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2 nd Week of Lent	Psalter 2/Year2		Mass Intention	
Saturday 24 th February	9.30am	Bridport	Mass <i>Confessions from 9am</i>	Sheila & Kevin Laidlaw
2 nd Sunday in Lent 2nd Collection CAFOD	6pm	Chideock	Mass <i>Confessions from 5.30pm</i>	People of the Parish
Sunday 25 th February 2 nd Sunday in Lent 2nd Collection CAFOD	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass	Jan Meyer RIP
Tuesday 27 th February	11.40	Bridport	Prayers to the Divine Mercy	
	12 noon	Bridport	Mass	Deceased Members of the <i>Confessions from 11.30am</i>
	12.45	Bridport	Castilho Family RIP Tuesday soup bread & cheese lunch	
Wednesday 28 th February	10am	Beaminster	Mass	
	12.30pm	Bridport	Stations of the Cross	
	7pm	Bridport	Mass	Joseph Garvey RIP
Thursday 1 st March	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary	
St. David	10am	Bridport	Mass	The People of Wales <i>Adoration after Mass till 11am</i>
	4.15pm	Bridport	Children's First Confession.	
	7pm	Beaminster	Stations of the Cross	
	7.30pm	Bridport	Taizé Practice	
Friday 2 nd March	10am	Chideock	Mass	The Holy Souls
	10am	Bridport	<i>Coffee after Mass</i> Mother's Prayers	
Saturday 3 rd March	9.30am	Bridport	Mass <i>Confessions from 9am</i>	Jan Meyer RIP
3 rd Sunday in Lent	6pm	Beaminster	Mass <i>Confessions from 5.30pm</i>	Charles & Marie Foster RIP
Sunday 4 th March	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass	People of the Parish
3 rd Sunday in Lent	4pm	Bridport	Taizé Service	

The response to the psalm at our weekend Masses this weekend is **"I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living."**

This week's quotation from our **Holy Father Pope Francis**: "The Lord never tires of forgiving. It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness."

This week our usual **Lent Stations of the Cross** continue on Wednesdays at 12.30pm at Bridport. The Stations at Beaminster are on Thursdays at 7pm.

Remember that there will be an additional **Mass most Wednesday evenings** at 7pm in our Parish Church. This new arrangement has in mind particularly those who are working in the day

With Lent beginning last week we still have available our customary **Lent leaflets** to help us keep this special season in solidarity with each other. So that others can see what we do you may want to **take extra copies for friends and neighbours.**

Simon Giarchi from CAFOD will be coming to speak to us this weekend. It would be good if a couple of people from the Parish who would be able to become **Reps for CAFOD**. If you think this is something you could do please see Faith in the office. Our Tuesday Lunches have so far **raised £437 for CAFOD.**

The Bridport Women's World Day of Prayer will take place at the Christian Fellowship Church, at the rear of East Street car park, on Friday 2nd March at 10.30am. The theme is 'All God's Creation is very good', and has been prepared by the **women of Suriname**, (the north coast of South America.) A service for Women's World day of Prayer will also be held at **St. Mary's Church, Beaminster** on Friday 2nd March at 2pm with the same theme.

We are shortly to be in need of a **new organist at our Parish Church**. Harry Brown has retired as you know, and Celia Oliver is kindly 'holding the fort' until Easter. Dr Richard Godfrey, our splendid organist at Chideock (he is the resident organist at Lyme and an organ teacher) has kindly offered a free 'conversion course' to a competent pianist. A volunteer? If you think this wonderful opportunity might be just the thing for you, your name to Faith in the office please.

The Lent Day of Recollection will take place on Saturday 3rd March at St. Rita's Centre Honiton. The day will be led by Fr. Gerald Wilson and the theme **"Let us Pray"** The day will start at 10:30am with coffee, there will be opportunity for Confession and the day will conclude with **Mass at 4pm**. For further information please see the posters in each of our Churches.

Churches Together Lent Lunches continue on Friday 2nd March the next one being at **St. St. Swithun's Church, Bridport**, hosted this week by our Parish. Please come and support these when you are able. **Posters with further details are in each of our Churches.**

Taize in Lent at St Catherine's, Victoria Grove. The Taize Prayer for Churches Together in Bridport during Lent will be on Sunday 4th March at 4pm in the Catholic Church. Please let friends and family know about this event. All musicians welcome. The theme for this Taize prayer is "A Shining Hope, and Hope is the theme for Churches Together in Britain and Ireland for Lent.

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.pdsommerscamps.org.uk Prompt applications are advisable.

Invitation to Coffee after Mass in Chideock on 1st Friday of each month starting Friday, 2nd March. All Welcome.

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.

"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.

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. The next Soundbath is **Friday 2nd March at 6.00pm** in our Church Hall and entry is £10. Young people and adults all very welcome. (not suitable for children) **Please contact Jane to book your place** if you wish to attend on 07976 731331.

Meditation in the Christian tradition is practiced worldwide, Meditation is a very simple practice although at the beginning it is often helpful to hear from someone who has been meditating for a while. To this end, **Roz Stockley, a member of the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM)**, will be holding an introductory evening for Bridport parishioners and others who may be interested on Wednesday 14th March from 6.30pm - 9pm This introductory evening will include information sharing, discussions and meditation. If you have any questions, please contact Roz (email roz@copsewood.org.uk or phone/text 07929007808). If you would like to attend, please let the Parish Office know. Light refreshments will be provided during a short break mid evening.

Bridport is a Parish of the **Roman Catholic Diocese of Plymouth**. Reg. Charity No: 213227. Please make any cheques payable to: **PRCDTR Bridport RC Parish**. Income for January is £4,941 and outgoings, £5,423. Our Safeguarding Representatives are Heather McCaughey & Faith Leborgne 07970 532324

A REFLECTION FOR THIS WEEK

At the Transfiguration of Christ in today's Gospel the disciples' glimpse of the glory of their Master, Peter exclaims, *It is good for us to be here.* Surely it is good for us to be with the Lord here at Mass. We thank him, not least for giving us a glimpse of OUR glory, for we too are children of God, loved by him and used by him.

We remember in our prayers: our parish school; our house bound, those who are sick; and whose Anniversaries occur around now: Gladys Martin, Blanche Bailee, Barbara Franklin-Hyde, Ronald Gwilliams, Patricia Saunders, Margarett Lawrence, Marie Willis, Jan Meyer, Mary Mackenzie, Gwen Heaven, Michael Gillon,

Margaret Loveless Winifred Leakey, Eva Day, Edward McDermott,
Josephine McDonnell, Reinhold Drepper, Patrick McClory, Doreen
O'Hea, Edgar Heaven, Elsie Poole, Ernest Page, William Follett, Bill
Wedgewood, Ethel Nash. **May they rest in peace.**