

BRIDPORT CATHOLIC PARISH

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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5 th Week of Easter	Psalter 1/Year2		Mass Intention	
Saturday 28 th April	9.30am	Bridport	Mass <i>Confessions from 9am</i>	John Takiel RIP
5 th Sunday of Easter	6pm	Chideock	Mass <i>Confessions from 5.30pm</i>	People of the Parish
Sunday 29 th April	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass	Warwick Hynes RIP
5 th Sunday of Easter	After Mass	Bridport	First Holy Communion Class	
	3pm	West Beach	Rosary on the Coast	
Tuesday 1 st May	11.40am	Bridport	Prayers to the Divine Mercy	
	6pm	Bridport	Mass	Brother Sergio CFD. RIP
	12.45	Bridport	Tuesday soup bread & cheese lunch.	
Wednesday 2 nd May	10am	Beaminster	Mass	David & Anne Lockie RIP
St. Athanasius				
Thursday 3 rd May	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary	
St. Philip & St. James	10am	Bridport	Mass	Marian Anderson RIP
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir Practice	
Friday 4 th May	10am	Chideock	Mass	Jack Warburton RIP
	9.00am	Bridport	<i>Coffee after Mass</i> Meditation Group	
The English Martyrs	10am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers	
Saturday 5 th May	No Mass			
St. Richard Reynolds				
6 th Sunday of Easter	6pm	Beaminster	Mass	Eamon Scanlon RIP
			<i>Confessions from 5.30pm</i>	
Sunday 6 th May	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass	People of the Parish
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We remember in our prayers: our parish school; our house bound, those who are sick; and whose Anniversaries occur around this time:-

Lynda Payne, Warwick Hynes, Mena Cave, Elizabeth Montgomery, Arthur Mason, Enid Eastwood, David Violet,
 Leonard Wiltshire, Moyra Petrie, Harold Jones, Winifred Griffin, Jack Warburton.

May they rest in peace.

The response to the psalm at our weekend Masses this weekend is **“You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.”**

This week’s quotation from our **Holy Father Pope Francis**-
“The Gospel is the real antidote to spiritual destitution: wherever we go, we are called as Christians to proclaim the liberating news that forgiveness for sins committed is possible, that God is greater than our sinfulness, that He freely loves us at all times and that we were made for communion and eternal life.”

We welcome Canon Richard back from his Easter break, and hope that he comes back to us refreshed and renewed, we also thank **Fr. John Chadwick** for all the Masses that he has said for us during Canon Richard’s holiday.

The Parish Retreat starts next Friday afternoon 4th May, we pray for Canon Richard who will be leading the retreat and for all those taking part, that it will be a prayerful and restorative time.
Fr. Peter Clarke will be saying our Masses next weekend.

A couple of times recently parishioners have, we hear, been disappointed that no-one from the church has been to visit them when **ill at home or convalescing** there after medical treatment. The truth is that we didn’t know! Perhaps people suppose that there is some mystical means of communication by which the Parish Priest learns these things, or that ‘Someone else must have told him’, when no-one has. If you know of a parishioner who needs a visit (and the sacraments of the sick possibly) PLEASE tell Canon Richard or Faith our secretary. We would rather have the information half a dozen times over than not at all.

The next **Men’s Breakfast** will be on **Saturday 26th May at 10.30 am at The Bull, Bridport**. A list will be available nearer the time for you to register your interest.

Due to family illness **Faith is changing her office hours** to Tuesday – Thursday 8am till 2pm from the beginning of May.

Our **Tuesday Mass** this week will be at **6pm** as Canon Richard is hosting a Deanery Conference at lunchtime on that day.

After a further meeting about encouraging Meditation in the life of the parish we have launched a **Christian Meditation Group**. It will meet on Fridays in our Parish Church at **9am**. All are welcome. And if you know members of other local churches and congregations who would like to come, please invite and encourage them.

All Catholics in the UK are being invited to join **‘Rosary on the Coast’** at 3pm this 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 next of **Dom Christopher’s Quiet Days** will be at Evelyn Hall, Southgate Retreat Centre, Buckfast Abbey, on Saturday 12th May further information is on the posters in each of our churches.

Mrs Guppy head teacher at St. Catherine’s School presented a **cheque for £490.55 to Ann White from Mary’s Meals**. This fantastic final sum is the result of the endeavours of each year group at St Catherine’s with the help of the **ladies of the CWL**. **Thank you very much ladies for your support**. Ann White told us that this amount would give a meal each to around 5,000 children or feed 35 children in a place of education for a whole year! St Catherine’s is determined to keep raising money for this worthy charity every year.

One World Forum The next meeting will take place at 7.30 pm on Thursday 26th April at the Bridport United Church Hall. The speaker will be Miriam Davis who was, until recently, a missionary in Japan and has worked for the Japan Evangelical Churches Association. She will be speaking about “New birth: in the land of 8 million gods”. £4 inc. refreshments. Everyone very welcome.

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.

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.

Annual Quiet Day, **The Wisdom Way of Knowing** to be held at Othona on Thursday 10th May from 10 am till 4pm. (please arrive at 9.30am) No booking required, drinks and soup provided, but bring a packed lunch if required. Cost £8 to be paid on the door.

Run to the Sun, a weekend for Transformation and Mission. June 22nd till 24th at Buckfast Abbey. For further information please see the posters in each of our Churches.

Classical Guitar Concert with Mark Jennings at St Michael & All Angels Church, Askerswell, at 7.00 pm on 2nd June. Churches Together have been asked if they will support this event in aid of their church funds.

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.

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.

Catechists formation **Saturday 19th May 2018 is the rescheduled date replacing the 24th February, which was cancelled**. Calling all catechists and “would be catechists” who help to pass on the faith in any way by involvement in Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation, RCIA, Marriage Preparation programmes or Children’s Liturgy. A four part course is being offered, free of charge to help you grow in your knowledge of the faith and a sense of personal calling. Content will include Teaching to Pray, Liturgical Life, Preparing the Faith and Life in Christ. The following dates are available at St. Mary’s Poole: 10.30am-1pm Saturdays, 19th May, June 16th, November 3rd **2018** and February 9th **2019**

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

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Prayer

Lord, help us to love you, to seek you with all our hearts, and to rejoice in the resurrection victory.