

BRIDPORT CATHOLIC PARISH

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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34 th Week in Ordinary Time	Psalter 2	Year 2	Mass Intention
Saturday 24 th November St. Andrew Dung-Lac	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Christine Elbourne <i>Confessions from 9am</i>
	10.30am	The Bull	Men's breakfast
Feast of Christ the King Day of Prayer for young people.	6pm	Chideock	Mass Deceased Members of the Fletcher Family
Sunday 25 th November	10am	Bridport	The Parish Mass People of the Parish
Feast of Christ the King Day of Prayer for young people.	12 noon	Chideock	Baptism Baby Theodore Seilern-Aspang
Tuesday 27 th November	11.40am	Bridport	Prayers to the Divine Mercy
	12 noon	Bridport	Mass Norah Spencer RIP <i>Confessions from 11.30am</i>
	12.45pm	Bridport	CAFOD Soup & Cheese Lunch
Wednesday 28 th November	10am	Beaminster	Mass The Elliot family living and dead
	7pm	Bridport	Lectio
Thursday 29 th November St. Cuthbert Mayne	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary
	10am	Bridport	Mass Betty Hull RIP <i>Adoration after Mass till 11am</i>
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir Practice
Friday 30 th November St. Andrew - Apostle	10am	Chideock	Mass Arnold de la Poer RIP
	9.15am	Bridport	Meditation Group
	10am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers
	7pm	Bridport	Service of Penitence and Healing
Saturday 1 st December	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Cecily Garvey RIP <i>Confessions from 9am</i>
1st Sunday of Advent	6pm	Beaminster	Mass Lily Short RIP
Sunday 2 nd December	10am	Bridport	The Parish Mass People of the Parish
1st Sunday of Advent	4pm	Bridport	Evening Prayer and Benediction

The response to the psalm at our Masses this weekend is:-
“**The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.**”

This week’s quotation from our **Holy Father Pope Francis**:-
“If you hoard material possessions, they will rob you of your soul.”

This Sunday, under the title Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, one church year ends before a new one begins the following week with the First Sunday of Advent.

There is a meeting at St Boniface College, Plymouth on Saturday the 1st to explain the **launch of ‘Caritas’ in the diocese**. This will be devoted to helping parishes in their pastoral work with those in need. Deacon Mark, Louise Heatley and Peter Cove are going from this parish to represent us.

The new church year begins with Advent next Sunday. There are still a few traditional **Advent calendars** available on the repository stall in the Parish Church.

Also on the repository stall are copies of the **2019 calendar** produced by and for the Catholic Children’s Society (Plymouth). It features stained glass windows from 12 churches of the diocese including, for July, two from our own Parish Church.

On Friday week, the 30th, following his recent Pastoral Letter, Bishop Mark will be leading a **Service of Penitence and Healing** at our Parish Church in Bridport at 7pm, attended by the priests and people of the Dorset Deanery. Please be here to welcome Bishop Mark and be good hosts to those from our other parishes.

VIGIL OF PRAYER AND PENITENCE.

As a church we are only too aware of historic cases of abuse that have damaged so many people’s lives. We would like to offer an opportunity for our parish to pray for those who have been abused by holding a 24 hour vigil, starting at 9am on Thursday 6th December -Feast of St Nicholas-Patron saint of Children until 9am on Friday 7th December. Sheets will be available after each weekend Mass and we would ask that as many parishioners as possible, show their support by signing up for an hour slot at some stage during the vigil to join Canon Richard and Deacon Mark.

We are going to work towards the creation of a **Prayer Garden** in the redundant piece of land at the back of the Church. Already two parishioners have donated a statue of our Lady and a matching plinth. Faith has a list in the office of items that could be donated in memory of a loved one. Please come to the office if this is something that you would like to do.

The Advent Taize Prayer will be held at Bridport United Church on Sunday 9th December at 3.30pm, during the Christmas Tree Festival. All are welcome and there will be soup in the Church Hall afterwards. Please tell Faith in the office if you are planning to attend.

From the first Sunday in Advent we will be starting a new **Public Prayer List for the sick, and departed**. From then all requests for names of the sick and departed to be remembered at Mass must be given in through Faith in the Parish Office, and in the case of the sick as far as possible with the permission of that person. This is to bring us into line with the provisions of the new Data Protection laws.

The **new Sunday Missals (£5) and next year’s Parish Diaries (50p)** are now available in our churches. The Missals include all that is required for Masses from Advent, beginning on December 2nd. If and when you buy a Missal, please put your name inside; over the course of the year we have a number left behind in church with no evidence of ownership.

Advent Day of Recollection at St. Rita’s Centre, Honiton, with Fr. Barry Hallett, on Saturday 15th December 10.30am till 4.30pm. There will be Mass and Confessions, cost £25 per person to include lunch. For further information please see the posters in each of our Churches.

First Holy Communion Programme 2019

It is now time for interested parents to register their child’s name for inclusion in this programme. To be eligible, your child will currently be in year 3 or above at school. To register your child’s details please contact Faith in the parish office BEFORE Friday 30th Nov. A letter will be sent to all registered parents in December with further details of the programme, which will begin with a meeting for parents and candidates on Thursday 17th Jan 2019 at 16:30 in the Parish Hall. Please note that the First Holy Communion will take place on the Feast of Corpus Christi, which falls on Sunday June 23rd 2019.

Catholic Women’s League ladies will be holding their annual Christmas hamper raffle on Sunday’s 2nd & 9th Dec. after Mass. We ask for your support. Proceeds from raffle will go the **Plymouth Catholic Children Society**.

Please note that the green tokens at Waitrose this month can be put towards the **Churches Together Christmas Lunch** if you could put them in the appropriate slot.

PARISH ADVENT JOURNEY.....Calling all parishioners and friends - old, young and anywhere in between! Would you, or anyone you know, 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 25th November, so please sign up at the notice board by the office. You don’t have long....so book early to avoid disappointment! Remember...First Come, First Hosting and we will contact you when Mary and Joe are ready to go!

For more information, please contact Heather at mccaugheywidget1@googlemail.com or Natalie on 01308 897261.

Frances Jobling will again be selling a selection of scarves, handwarmers, and a few small items for children in aid of saving villages in Mali from sand dunes. However this year she will have a stall in Bridport town hall on Wednesday 5th December from 4pm till 8pm and another one in St. Mary’s Beaminster on Friday 7th December from 10am till 12.30pm. Please support her if you can.

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.

Our Safeguarding Representative is Faith Leborgne 07970 532324

We remember in our prayers: our parish school; our house bound, those who are sick; and whose Anniversaries occur around this time:-
Maureen Brown, Joseph Cuthbertson, Kim McCaffery, Mary Tuck, Wallace Wright, John Reardon, Jeannie Bollins, Winifred Crew, Kathleen Harmer, Philomena Powell, Alma Cunniffe, Peter Murphy, Donald Smith, Mary Southwell.

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEKEND

*Jesus had no palace, no throne and no army.
Yet we call him our King,
and we give him an allegiance and a loyalty
we would not give to any other person or institution on
earth.*

*Lord Jesus, our King and our Shepherd,
gather your flock from the ends of the earth into the
peace and joy of your Kingdom.
To you belong glory and power for ever and ever.*