

Bridport Catholic Parish

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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Third Week in Ordinary Time	Year A	Psalter 3/Year1	Mass Intention
Saturday 21 st January St. Agnes	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Ron & Kathy Wilson In thanksgiving <i>Confessions from 9am</i>
3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	6pm	Beaminster	Mass Christian Unity
Sunday 22 nd January	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass People of the Parish
3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Tuesday 24 th January St. Francis de Sales	6pm	Bridport	Mass Val Parsons RIP <i>Confessions from 5.30pm</i> <i>Prayers to the Divine Mercy after Mass</i>
Wednesday 25 th January Conversion of St. Paul	10am	Beaminster	Mass Mary Hollyer RIP
Thursday 26 th January	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary
	10am	Bridport	Mass David Rockett RIP
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir Practice
Ss. Timothy & Titus	7.30pm	Beaminster	One World Forum
Friday 27 th January	10am	Chideock	Mass World Politicians <i>Adoration after Mass till 11am</i>
	10am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers
Saturday 28 th January Anniversary of the Ordination of Bishop Mark O'Toole	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Nancy Bushell RIP <i>Confessions from 9am</i>
4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6pm	Chideock	Mass Bishop Mark
Sunday 29 th January	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass John White RIP
4 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:*

Nora White, Mabel Denmead, Anthony Browne, William Hallet, Jim Draper, Joseph Duffy, Charles Gobbett, Ann Evans, Helena Murless, Margaret Chown, Margareta Hitchcock, Katherine Bradley, Anne Dearlove, Joseph McEnaney, Florence Cooper, John McDonnell, Maurice Chinkin, Thomas Lovell, Mary James, Robert Southwell, Phyliss Tobin, Mary Morris, Camilla Greenleas, Violet Pettican, Phyliss Taylor, Yvonne Tobias, Phoebe Baughan, James Melia, Thomas Crewe, Juan Fernandez, Kathleen Handley.

May they rest in peace.



The response to the psalm at our Masses this weekend is:- **“The Lord is my light and my help.”**

This week's **quotation from our Holy Father Pope Francis**: “We must not be afraid of solidarity; rather let us make all we have and are available to God.”

The Bishops ask that this weekend we offer special **prayers for the homeless**.

Note that **Tuesday's Mass is at 6pm**, with Confessions available beforehand from 5:30. Canon Richard is away for much of the day.

Another **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** began on Wednesday (it is always January 18th – 25th). As well as praying for Christian Unity in general we think particularly of our fellow Christians within the parish, their places of worship and their ministers.

We need to update the **Parish List** of names and contact details of our parishioners. We do this by attaching a form to this Sunday's notice sheet and asking you to fill it in and return it if (a) you know you have not done this before and therefore will not be on the list, or (b) you are not sure, or (c) your contact details have changed recently. The form can be put in the collection basket today or when you next come to church, or handed in to the office.

At the Parish Mass this Sunday our **First Communion Children** will make an act of commitment to their course of preparation.

The **Offerings collected at the Christmas cribs** in our churches in aid of The Children's Society, Plymouth, amounted to £126.64. **Many thanks** to all who donated.

We have “lost” two of our **church cleaners**, due to changes in their personal circumstances. Would you be able to offer a **few hours once a month** to help keep our beautiful new **Church** clean. If so please see Faith in the Parish Office.

The first **100 Club** draw of the new season took place last Sunday. The winners were 3rd prize Peter Moverley, 2nd prize Ginny Astley and 1st prize Georgette Wormleighton. Many congratulations to all three. There are still **some numbers available**, to reserve one please call Mike Murless on 01308 485442.

The **lost property box** in the Parish Office is very full!! If you have lost a scarf, hat, gloves or other items please come to the Office to collect them.

One World Forum The next meeting will take place at 7.30 pm on Thursday 26th January at St John's RC Church, Shortmoor, Beaminster. Canon Richard Meyer will speak on “Making of Saints”. All welcome. Visitors £4 inc. refreshments.

Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Bishop Mark, takes place between 27th May and 2nd June 2017. For further information see posters in each of our churches.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service to be held this year at **7pm on Wednesday 25th January**, which will be hosted and led by the **Bridport Christian Fellowship** at the end of the East Street Car Park.

“Do you know of anyone who might wish to know more about the **Catholic Church**? Why not make inquiries at the church office or contact Roger Draper to explain what we can offer.”

Good Books is having a sale! New stock and quality second-hand books from £1 to £5, call in to your Christian bookshop in Gundry Lane any morning and Wed till 3pm for a browse, a cuppa and warm welcome.

St. Swithun's Church Community welcome all members of all churches to join our monthly community coffee mornings on the first Thursday of each month, the next being **Thursday 2nd February**. They are held in our hall from 10.45 to 11.45. Fresh coffee and cakes are served free of charge, and the occasions provide a good opportunity to meet new people and have a good chat.

GATHER 2017 Gracious Gift. We are delighted to announce that catechists, teachers, clergy and friends from across the Diocese of Plymouth will be meeting together on 3–5 March 2017 at the Best Western Livermead Cliff Hotel Torquay for a time of friendship, support and inspiration. The weekend will include keynote speakers, plenary talks, shared liturgies, quiet space for prayer, a choice of workshops and plenty of time to meet, talk, laugh and be encouraged in our faith. Bishop Mark O'Toole will celebrate Mass with us. Residential rate £150 (2 nights B&B, lunch and dinner on Saturday). Single room supplement £20. Non residential rate £40. More details and booking form in the leaflet which you can collect from the back of church. We look forward to seeing you in Torquay.

The Way the Truth and the Life. Diocesan Pilgrimage to **Santiago de Compostela**, with Bishop Mark and Fr. Philip Austen, is from 6th till 17th May 2018. For further information please see posters in each of our Churches.

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.

Parish receipts for the last month amount to **£6998** and payments £24,505

Our Safeguarding Representatives are
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PRAYER/REFLECTION

Christ is the light of the world.
His light was not lit once in Palestine
and then extinguished.
It continues to shine for all who believe in him.
It is a persistent and defiant light that no
darkness can overpower.
Lord Jesus, may your gentle and sure light
guide us along the unfolding road,
so that we may walk with confidence
towards the light that never fades
and the life that never ends.