



The Parish of the Holy Family

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First Week of Advent Year B



Date	Mass Times	Mass Intentions
Saturday	2 Dec 6:00 p.m. Exmouth	Joyce Ingham RIP
Sunday	3 Dec 9:00 a.m. Budleigh Salterton 11:00 a.m. Exmouth	Parish Jim Gegg RIP
Monday	4 Dec No Mass	
Tuesday	5 Dec No Mass	
Wednesday	6 Dec No Mass	
Thursday	7 Dec No Mass	
Friday <i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	8 Dec 9:15 a.m.	Ted Grant RIP (F)
Saturday	9 Dec 6:00 p.m. Exmouth	

The Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 2nd December 9.30 am – 11.30 am & 4.30 pm – 5.30 pm at Holy Ghost & Sunday 24th December 9.00 am at St. Peter, Prince of Apostles, or by appointment. THERE WILL BE A 2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS.

We pray for the sick and housebound, especially this week: Cyril, Sheila Bennett, Edina Board, Paul Bowen, Stuart Bradburn, Edward Bradburn, Angela Compton, Stephen Compton, Catherine Etheridge, Teresa Gibbs, Anne Golding, Helga Grafton, Pat Grassi, Robert Harland, Carol Hawkins, Joan Hickey, Constance Horn, Jemma Ireland, Jeanne Jones, Clare Lewis, Sheila McAndrew, Camille McCrae, Valerie McGarry, Joy Mills, Kathleen Moulding, Laura Mulcahy, Geraldine O'Boyle, Alan Pemberton, Abi Ralls, Jenny Saunders, Lillian Scott, Tom Sharp, Graham Shute, Mike Thomas, Mary Thomas, Tracy Travis, Audrey White, Barbara Wills, Mary Willis, Violette Wynn.

We also pray for those whose anniversary occurs in December: Sr Theresa Allen, Monica Arbuckle, Gertrude Arbuckle, Jean Marie Arend, Monica Attard, Margaret Ball, Bannigan Family, Vincent Bannigan, Joan Bexley, John Bolton, Bridget and John Boyle, Charles Brandt, Patrick Brooder, Anthony Browne, Stuart Bunt, Maud Carroll, Nan Cassidy, Joseph Cassidy, Helen Coates, Hylde Cole, Mary Courihan, Mary Connihan, Croke Family, Mabel Crosby, Gwendoline Day, Clifford Davies, Edward Davies, Ethel Faulkner Davies, Michael Dolan, Eileen Dolan, Georg and Marta Espig, Frank Gerry, Ronald Govey, Ted Grant, George Gray, Joseph Healy, Mary Higgs, Walter Higgs, Mary Hill, Molly Kelly, Danny Lane, Eileen Larson, Tom Leavy, Catherine Linnane, Florence Long, Mary Maher, Peter Mayne, Susan McCahearty, Milverton Family, Michael O'Flaherty, Eileen O'Mahoney, Jim Pizey, Nellie Reynolds, William Reynolds, Jane Ridleigh, Fred Sanders, Nicholas Saunders, Janet Scrammell, Mary Seymour, Alfred Shaw, Ellen Smith, William Smith, Stewart Tait, Rose Thomas, Roy Watkinson, Vera Watkinson, Michael Wilberforce, May Ward, Michael Wing, John Wood **May they rest in peace.**

WELCOME to all our visitors. Coffee will be served in the hall after the 11.00 am Mass and you are very welcome to join us. This month coffee is served after Mass at Budleigh on 3, 17 and 31 December All most welcome. **Children's liturgy** during the 11.00 Mass now focuses on our youngest children. I am asking that children in Year 4 and above remain in church during the Mass so that the little ones' needs may be met more appropriately. The front righthand pews are reserved for those staying in church with their families, and Mass books have been provided to help them understand and learn about the Mass. **Those not receiving Holy Communion during Mass are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing.**



Check out Pope Francis' daily tweets on Twitter 'Let us look to Jesus today and say to Him in our hearts: "Remember me, Lord, now that you are in your Kingdom!"

'In Advent we rediscover the beauty of all being on a journey ... across the paths of time'

Pope Francis

Have you picked up your Advent timetable yet? Please make sure you have a copy and read it in conjunction with the weekly newsletter. There are lots of opportunities for you to 'come & see' in the parish & St. Joseph's School so have a look and try and go the extra mile this year.



Thank you to everyone who contributed towards the success of last weekend's fundraising. In particular I am so grateful to Maggie & Bernadette who have been baking and cooking for weeks on end to ensure that very many of you have cakes, pies, puddings & preserves in time for Christmas – we are indebted to them for the hours of quiet service to the parish. Check out the website for some lovely photos taken by Wendy & Lori! If you have an idea to help raise funds or have a few hours to spare then please raise your hand, let us know and come and join us!

The lucky 'squares' raffle winners were Jim Dowie, Kevin Curran, Phil Elcock, Jackie Doak, Geraldine O'Boyle, Tim Lear, Simon Gegg, Maggie Raby, Margaret Hooper, Mimi Barton, Sophie & Emily Ryder, Cyril O'Boyle, Eileen Jenkins, Marie Cleaver & Michael Lamb. Enjoy your prizes!!!

TOO MUCH NEWS!!!! What a wonderful reflection of parish life! It is now impossible to put all the news onto this one page of the printed newsletter but if you go to our website you will find much more; as well as photos, news articles and links to the Vatican, our parish school & other sites. Take a look and show someone who perhaps doesn't have access or computer skills. We are very grateful to 'On the Fence Development' working constantly behind the scenes for the technical support offered to the parish and maintenance of the website.

Parishes for Peace. There will be a table sale & display at Holy Ghost this weekend and a 2nd collection in both churches, giving you the opportunity to support this worthwhile charity.

The First Week of Advent

- Mon. 4 Parish Day of Reflection** Buckfast Abbey - **By whose authority? Looking through the eyes of St Mark**
- Tues. 5** Advent Retreat continues at Buckfast Abbey until Wednesday 6th.
Key Stage 1 Nativity in St Joseph's School at 2.00.p.m. and 6.00.p.m.
- Wed. 6** Service of Reconciliation 7.00.p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, Heavitree
- Thur. 7** St Joseph's School Classes 3 & 4 **Advent Service** in Holy Ghost Church at 6.30.p.m.
- Fri. 8** 10.00.a.m. Key Stage 1 Nativity in Holy Ghost Church
6.00.p.m. – 8.00.p.m. St Joseph's School **Christmas Fair**



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Christmas Art display

We would like to invite you to our School to see all the fantastic Christmas Art work which the children have been busy creating. You are welcome anytime between **1.30pm and 2.30pm on Thursday 14th December**. You are also then invited to stay on for **Carols around the Christmas tree at 2.30pm**

We hope to see you on December 14th, 2017.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. Regents Gate, Exmouth, EX8 1TA

Come and see our School and see what the children have been making!

The Second Week of Advent

- * Crystal Crosses : opportunity to support the work of the Open Door Centre this Christmas**
- Monday 11** Paths to Prayer in St Anne's Cloister 3.00.p.m. Mass 6.30.p.m.
- Tuesday 12** St Joseph's School Classes 5 & 6 Advent Service in Holy Ghost Church at 7.00.p.m.
- Thursday 14** **Carols round the Tree** in St Joseph's School at 2.45.p.m.
- Friday 15** End of Term mass in St Joseph's School at 9.30.a.m.
- Saturday 16** Service of Reconciliation 10.00.a.m. at Most Precious Blood, Sidmouth
"What are YOU waiting for?" + Advent Day at St Rita's + Deacon Terry Enright

We are Pilgrim People.... are you ready for the challenge?

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2-8th August 2018 led by Bishop Mark. Flying from Exeter. Staying at the Chappelle et Parc, once owned by the Soubirous family, very close to the grotto. A time of prayer and relaxation. We would love you to join us. Price £779. Youth £495. (No increase on 2017 prices) Booking forms will be available very soon and for a discount of £10, you can book on line. www.joewalshstours.co.uk Please speak to your parish priest or contact: Fr Kieran Kirby Pilgrimage Director, 01803 294142 or Fr Anthony O'Gorman Youth Chaplain, 01637 851176

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES: Dublin, August 21st-26th, 2018. A global gathering celebrating Marriage and Family Life with Pope Francis. Please visit: <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/> for further information. Approximate cost is £900 per couple for 5 nights (B & B) or £1,200 for a family with 2 children. A number of people will be going from our diocese. If you are interested in being part of this gathering, please contact Marian on 01752-701660 or plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk Closing date for applications December 16th.

Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: 18-25 February 2019 Further details: Pilgrimage People, Stapleford Granary, Bury Road, Stapleford, Cambridge CB22 5BP. Email: info@pilgrimagepeople.org Telephone 0800 612 3423. Website <http://www.pilgrimagepeople.org>

Y-PRAY? Booking now open for 2018. An inspirational weekend conference of prayer and praise for women from all Christian denominations 2018 conference. Early bird discount. Limited places. Visit <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/resources/>

What a weekend!

The weekend of Christ the King 2017 was a memorable one in the parish of the Holy Family this year! For the past few years we have concentrated fund raising efforts to one major weekend each year and parishioners have been preparing for many weeks to ensure its success.

Saturday evening was one to reminisce with a '70's' evening which included a typical 70's themed 3 course meal, a challenging quiz, huge prize raffle and of course a disco to finish off the evening! The photos on our website show some curious outfits and people having lots of fun.

We are very fortunate that the evening was planned and managed by Wendy Davis, a 'hands on' parishioner who works for Barclays Bank. Barclays currently support their staff volunteering in Community Outreach and will match fund events to a wonderful total of £1,000. We were delighted to raise over £1,000 ourselves and therefore will benefit from this additional funding. This in turn will enable us to support local charities, individuals and societies in the local community by offering them the use of the parish hall & facilities.

Our young 'A Team' members supported Wendy as apprentice waiters & waitresses – as well as a star performance by 'Elori and her backing group' with a marvellous rendition of 'Mama Mia'

After a late and rapid clear up, the hall was reset for our Sunday morning Advent Sale of all things seasonal.

On Sunday morning the church was packed as Fr. Philip welcomed the children who will start the journey towards First Sacraments after Christmas. Each was invited to enrol and was given their 'pilgrim passport' for the journey, which will be stamped each Sunday morning at the children's liturgy. The children and their families were invited to join parishioners in the hall after mass for the sale and a lovely light lunch. Mulled wine was on offer for the adults and free lollipops for the children!!

The weekend was a tremendous success and the atmosphere wonderful. It certainly brought together young and not so young with many parishioners involved in true community. No doubt we will do it all over again next year!!!

Regular Events in our parish – come and see...

Gospel Sharing on Thursday evenings throughout the year 7pm to 8.30pm in the Cloister and a warm welcome awaits you.

Craft Club – This lively group meet regularly once a month.

The Men's Lunch Club meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at the Powder Monkey at 12.30. **'Ladies that Lunch' once a month** – watch this space for details and come and join us!

Our Knit, Natter & Book Club Chatter Group are a very friendly lot and invite you to come and join them for a coffee and to see just what they do each month. They generally meet on the 1st Monday afternoon of the month in Holy Ghost hall at 2.00 pm. Just drop in or speak to Bernadette Simmons or Maggie Raby who will be happy to tell you about the group.

FAITH & LIGHT next full meeting will be in the New Year. **CAFOD Coffee Morning** on the second Tuesday of the month in Holy Ghost Hall

UCM – Meetings twice monthly on Thursday afternoons at Holy Ghost, welcoming a variety of speakers. Next meeting 7th December when there will be a demonstration on napkin folding. We invite you to join us.



Why not make your New Year's resolution really count and become a Devon Air Ambulance volunteer? We receive no government funding and are totally reliant on donations from the people of Devon. We offer an array of volunteering opportunities from box collecting, giving talks, attending cheque presentation, assisting in one of our

18 charity shops or helping out at our annual events. Volunteering can really make a real difference to your own life and the lives of others. This opportunity would suit anyone who would like to get out of the house, make new friends, do something worthwhile, all whilst having fun! We really do appreciate any amount of time you can offer. Whoever you are, you'd fit in just fine! Please contact our Volunteer Manager Cara Jones by calling 01392 466666 or emailing c.jones@daat.org for more information.



Building the parish of the Holy Family.....parish 'matchbox' census..... help us update the parish records – for those who have recently moved to the parish please can you complete a registration form and return it the parish office ASAP. You may also like to personalise one of the matchboxes in St. Anne's Cloister so that it can be added to our display. Thank you for your help.

The Carmelite Circle Paths to Prayer Advent 2017

An Introduction to..... St Elizabeth of the Trinity OCD... Canonized October 2016

*A Woman for our Times in three sessions,
Monday afternoons at 3pm in
St Anne's Cloister, Holy Ghost Church*

Monday 27th November The Early Years

Monday 11th December Elizabeth's Life in Carmel

Monday 18th December Elizabeth's Teaching on Prayer

Each session will end with Evening Prayer at 4pm

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