



The Parish of the Holy Family

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Third week of Lent B Ps 3 Maximum number 35 at Mass

Saturday 6 March	5.00 pm	Kathleen Donnelly RIP
Sunday 7 March	10.00 am	Parish
Wednesday 10 March	11.00 am	Arthur Goonan RIP
Friday 12 March	2.00 pm	Sr. Cecile Naccache RIP

Please pray for our parishioners, family & friends, especially those who are sick, those undergoing medical procedures and in hospital and those feeling isolated in these challenging times
Let us pray for one another. *Fr Philip*

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available by making an appointment with me, via the Parish Office.

IS OUR CHURCH STILL OPEN? In these times of uncertainty, when we can take nothing for granted, please, please, refer to our website at least once a week, where changes will be posted. You will also find other spiritual and devotional material, which is updated every week. Remember, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. Masses will continue to be streamed online and there are quick links on our website for you to access from the Cathedral and other churches in the Diocese.

Access to the church will be for the 30 minutes only before each mass to satisfy our 'track & trace' management protocols - hand sanitizing and personal registration and face coverings will be required. **Remember, if you feel ill and have flu-like** or coronavirus symptoms, please do not come to church. Similarly, if you have been in contact with anyone who may have symptoms of coronavirus please stay at home. We are confident that we are taking every precaution to keep you safe and the church is cleaned and sanitized after every opening. Entry to the church is managed very sensitively by our stewards, without whom, I wouldn't be able to open the church for you. We have been advised that there continues to be no access to church halls, kitchens or toilets.

Mass Live streaming from Blessed Sacrament Exeter. Please go to the parish Facebook page Catholic Exeter. You don't have to have a Facebook account to watch the Masses, simply ignore the request from Facebook to log in – see <http://www.blessedsacrament.org.uk/>

An Act of Spiritual Communion My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and "I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."

Check out Pope Francis' daily tweets on Twitter.... During the Season of #Lent, the Holy Spirit drives us too, like Jesus, into the desert (Mk 1:12-15). It is not a physical place, but rather an existential dimension in which we can be silent and listen to the word of God, so that a true conversion might be effected in us. *Pope Francis @Pontifex*



Just as **JOY** was our word for Advent, let **HOPE** be our anchor word for Lent.

Please remember to look at the 'Lent at Home' booklet that I prepared for you. Fr. Philip

'In today's world, the sense of belonging to a single human family is fading, and the dream of working together for justice and peace seems an outdated utopia. What reigns instead is a cool, comfortable and globalized indifference, born of deep disillusionment concealed behind a deceptive illusion: thinking that we are all-powerful, while failing to realize that we are all in the same boat' Fratelli tutti §30



For those of you who can access the parish website, please take the opportunity to reflect on the excellent *Lent at Home* 'retreat resource' offered by David Wells, so well-known to us in the parish for his helpful, challenging and often amusing insights into our spiritual lives. Huge thanks to Dave for sharing these wonderful insights with us. Fr. Philip

STATIONS OF THE CROSS TOGETHER.... Together, at home, as a parish may we all try to pray the Stations each Friday afternoon at 3.00pm, so that we can be united in prayer while physically distanced.

ZOOM STATIONS OF THE CROSS.... The UCM invite you to join them for a Zoom Stations of the Cross. This is a short service with images may help you in your contemplation.

The Stations will begin at 10.00 am. Clicking on the link below should take you straight in. Any problems please RING (not email) Siobhan Canham on 01395 227729 OR 07517 868 191.

Topic: Parish Holy Family Stations
Every week on Fri, until Apr 2, 2021
Join Zoom Meeting

Time: Feb 26, 2021 10:00 AM London

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84728376183?pwd=SmtMM2dSTnMvRFEyeXA3M1YzTERIZz09>

Meeting ID: 847 2837 6183

Passcode: lent21

Fr. Philip's Book Club DLB (DISTANCED-LENTEN-BOOKCLUB) Are you in? Have you started reading yet? A suggestion is that we all read, at least some of, Fratelli tutti and/or The Alchemist. Pope Francis' Encyclical *Fratelli tutti* can be read on the Vatican website. **I will be very interested to hear your comments and there will be a zoom session** for you to attend if you wish

Fr. Philip



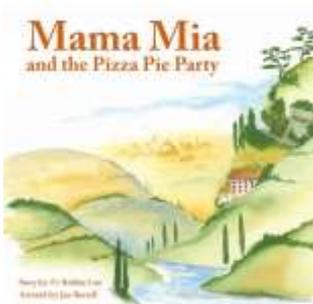
As our school starts to open fully from 8th March, please remember to pray for the children and their families as well as remembering the dedication of the staff & governors who have worked so hard for so many months. I will be celebrating mass for their intentions on the Feast of St. Joseph on Friday 19th March.

THANK YOU to those of you who have already contributed to our Holy Family Lent Appeal.....

Our Parish Appeal, our 'lenten almsgiving' this year is for the benefit of our children in St Joseph's, to recognise, as a community, the untiring effort of all the staff, in enormously trying circumstances, to teach 'gospel values' to those entrusted to us.

It would be an enormous help if you would make your gift payable to the school directly since, as a parish, we are currently prohibited from processing cash and cheques.

Please, therefore, place your cheque, payable to *St Joseph's School (Exmouth) PTA* in an envelope marked **Holy Family Lent Appeal**. You may then drop it through the Presbytery letterbox. If you wish to *Gift Aid* your donation, please add a note to that effect. If you wish to make a direct gift to the school, please telephone the administration for details on 264875 **Thank you!**



Aid to the Church in Need "I recommend Fr. Robbie's gentle Children's book, 'Mama Mia and the Pizza Pie Party'. It is a tender reminder of the importance of family, faith, friendship and the sharing good food – especially Pizza." Bishop of Plymouth Mark O'Toole

Mama Mia and the Pizza Pie Party This beautifully illustrated children's book, written by Fr Robbie Low, is set in a little Italian town not far from Rome and introduces us to Father (*Padre*) Cantamessa, Sister Sorella, Mama Mia and others in a charming story of friendship and faith. Perfect to share with children and grandchildren and as a taster for the language and flavours of Italy – including the recipe for Giuseppe's Pizza on the inside back cover!

Suitable for children aged 4+ years (Independent Reader: 8-12 years) £6.50

'Mama Mia and the Pizza Pie Party' has now raised £3000 for children's charities from domestic sales. A further one thousand copies have been sponsored to send to schools in Africa by a private donor. The book is now being sold on AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED website with all proceeds dedicated to their work with children in war zones. <https://acnuk.org/products/mama-mia-and-the-pizza-party/>

Caritas Lent Resources Caritas Plymouth has developed some resources for individual, group and parish reflection during Lent 2021. The resources include podcasts, links to websites and ideas for reflection during Lent, with a focus on Catholic Social Teaching <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Lenten-2021-Resources.pdf>. We hope that you find this material inspiring.



Seeds of hope.... and thanksgiving..... Back in 2014 when we were planning the celebrations for our centenary year, many of you will remember planting sweet peas. The fruits of your labour filled our churches with colour and perfume for many weeks.

I invite you again to plant your favourite seeds and watch them grow. As we approach spring and summer, with the extension of the mass vaccine roll out and the hope that more of us will be able to return to celebrate together, you may like to bring a bunch to church, or to school, in thanks for our families, friends and the tremendous community we share.



Looking forward to Easter....

Last year I celebrated the Triduum alone. This year, if the church is still open, albeit with limited capacity, I have invited the stewards who have made our celebration of mass possible for the last year, to join me, by way of a thank you. The church therefore will be at full capacity.

I warmly invite you to book a place for Easter Sunday at 9.00 am or 11.00 am, or Easter Monday at 11.00 am. **Please call our telephone booking system** which will be open 10.00 am - 11.00 am and 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm during the week commencing **Monday 22nd March – Saturday 27th March**. I am very grateful to our 'booking agent' for her service to the parish. *Fr. Philip*