



The Parish of the Holy Family

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HOLY WEEK B Ps 2 Maximum number 35 at Mass

Saturday 27 March	5.00 pm	Charles & Dinah McNamee RIP (F)
Sunday 28 March <i>PALM SUNDAY PASSION OF THE LORD</i>	10.00 am	Parish
Monday 29 March <i>MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK</i>	11. 00 am	Miss M. Gann RIP
Tuesday 30 March <i>TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK</i>	11.00 am	Edward Joseph Flanagan RIP
Wednesday 31 March <i>WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK</i>	11.00 am	Fr. Larry RIP
Thursday 1 April <i>MAUNDY THURSDAY</i>	ALREADY FULLY BOOKED	John Walker RIP
Friday 2 April <i>GOOD FRIDAY</i> <i>CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION</i>	ALREADY FULLY BOOKED	

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

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

Let us always pray for one another. *Fr Philip*

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/>

Check out Pope Francis' daily tweets on Twitter.... 'In these days of uncertainty about our future, in our charity may we speak words of reassurance and help others to realise that God loves them as sons and daughters'



Last year, for the first time in living memory, a pope celebrated a Palm Sunday liturgy without the participation of the people. Pope Francis did this in a virtually empty St. Peter's Basilica. Holy Week 2020 began in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic that has led to severe restrictions on movement being placed on almost half of the world's population.

In his homily, Pope Francis sought to encourage his global audience of countless millions who were following this unique celebration by television, radio or social media. Drawing on the Gospel account of Jesus' passion and crucifixion, he recalled that Jesus "descended into the abyss of our most bitter sufferings, culminating in betrayal and abandonment," and said that from this experience Jesus's message to us today is this: "Do not be afraid, you are not alone. I experienced all your desolation in order to be ever close to you."

I also celebrated last year on my own, in our parish church but now, as the restrictions slowly start to ease this year, we can, albeit in very reduced numbers, thankfully celebrate together again.

As we walk through Holy Week together let us remember all our friends and family in our prayers. *Fr. Philip*



On Wednesday 31st March Bishop Mark and a limited number of the priests of the diocese, will gather at the Cathedral, to celebrate the Chrism Mass.

This Mass manifests the unity of the priests with their bishop and during the mass Bishop Mark will bless three oils — the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Infirm and consecrate The Holy Chrism. These will be used in the administration of the Sacraments throughout the diocese for the year.

Watch the Chrism mass live on the Diocesan website at noon on Wednesday 31st March
<https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/>

STATIONS OF THE CROSS TOGETHER.... Together, at home, as a parish may we all try to pray the Stations each Friday afternoon at 3.00.pm, 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 Time: Feb 26, 2021 10:00 AM London

Every week on Fri, until Apr 2, 2021

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 847 2837 6183

Passcode: lent21



Cardinal appeals for generous response to Holy Land Collection - Vatican News

'Each year, the Church takes up a collection on Good Friday to assist Christians in the Holy Land and help protect the Holy Places. In a letter addressed to the Bishops of the world, the Cardinal Prefect of the Congregation for the Eastern Churches calls on all Christians to offer their generous support to this year's initiative' To read the

full article see:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2021-03/cardinal-appeals-for-generous-response-to-holy-land-collection.html> www.vaticannews.va

There will be a box in St. Anne's Cloister from Friday 19th March until Easter to facilitate a 'paper collection' for those of you who wish to support this appeal. Regrettably we are unable to process any coins at this time. Thank you for your support



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*



Have you planted your Seeds of hope and thanksgiving yet? *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.

Fr. Philip's Book Club DLB (DISTANCED-LENTEN-BOOKCLUB) Are you in - have you finished 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

WALK WITH US

Jesus, you know what it's like to feel abandoned lost and afraid.

Walk with us And show us how to walk with others, who live in fear, who face death through hunger or war.

Show us how to pray for those we do not know and will not meet, but who are always loved by you.

Walk with us Jesus, Amen.

Linda Jones/CAFOD

<https://cafod.org.uk/>

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Donate to the Lent Appeal 2021

Your Lenten gift could transform the lives of people like Abdella and his family

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Donate

Jeff Cavins' Catholic Bible Study, delivered by Mauro Iannicelli

An 8-session course on Wednesdays, starting on Wed 7th April, 2021 @7pm

What is the Bible Timeline Course? The Bible can be quite intimidating, due to its size and complexity. Many Catholics long to read the Bible, but they don't know how. The Bible Timeline Study System, developed by Jeff Cavins, uses a phenomenal approach which actually works! It divides the whole Bible into 12 colour-coded Periods, easy to understand and memorise. In our course, Mauro will walk you through each of the 12 Periods. This way, you will clearly see how the many characters and events in Scripture are related to each other in one unified narrative, from Adam & Eve to Jesus Christ. You will grasp the Big Picture of the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament. For life!

Each live-streamed session has a time of discussion with Q&A. Bible Readings and Teaching Summary Notes will be available. Info & Registration: www.comeandsee.org



The Parish Finance Committee would like to remind you that Easter & Christmas offerings are for your parish priest as he doesn't receive a salary. In previous years special envelopes are used for this purpose. If you would like to give this Easter, please put your donation into an envelope marked 'Easter Offering' and post it through the front door of the presbytery. Thank you for supporting our priest.

Holy Family Lent Appeal... The Final Week....

In his Angelus address Dec. 27, the feast of the Holy Family, the pope noted that March 19, 2021, would mark five years since the signing of *Amoris laetitia* (The Joy of Love) following the synods on the family in 2014 and 2015.

He said: *"Today's feast reminds us of the example of evangelising with the family, proposing to us once again the ideal of conjugal and family love, as underlined in the apostolic exhortation Amoris laetitia, promulgated five years ago this coming March 19. And it will be a year of reflection on Amoris laetitia and it will be an opportunity to focus more closely on the contents of the document.... As of now, I invite everyone to take part in the initiatives that will be promoted during the Year.... Let us entrust our journey, with families all over the world, to the Holy Family of Nazareth, in particular to St. Joseph, the devoted spouse and father."*



Our Parish School, as we all know, is under the patronage of 'St. Joseph, the devoted spouse and father'. I am asking, therefore, that our Parish Appeal, our 'lenten almsgiving' will be 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 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 *GiftAid* 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

As we in Lent follow *the paths of hope*, let's meet St. Joseph's '*walking with Jesus to be the best that we can be*'.

Thank you from St. Joseph's!





'The governors of St. Joseph's School take a very active role in supporting the school. They act as "wisdom group" and as champions and advocates in the local community for their school. Governors usually meet seven times a year, organise three governor days in school and participate and help at all kind of different school events and activities.

Unfortunately, all meetings since March 2020 had to take place via zoom. However, this did not deter governors to show their support at the last meeting which took place on St. Joseph's Day when they were all wearing something red. Due to a technical hiccup not all governors are on the photo but let me re-assure you that they were all wearing red 😊.

The governors would like to thank the church very much for the Lent Appeal for the benefit of the school. All contributions are gratefully accepted and will be used to directly support the children'

Iris Reiss-Golumbeck, clerk of governors at St. Joseph's School