

Bridport Catholic Parish

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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7th Week in Ordinary Time	Year A	Psalter 2/Year1	Mass Intention
Saturday 18 th February	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Mary Agnes Chorley RIP Confessions from 9am
7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6pm	Beaminster	Mass Confessions from 5.30pm
Sunday 19 th February	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass People of the Parish
7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Tuesday 21 st February	10.30am	Bridport	Deanery Conference
	6pm	Bridport	Mass Deacons & Priests of the Deanery
Wednesday 22 nd February	10am	Beaminster	Mass Gerald Moverley RIP
The Chair of St. Peter	5pm	Bridport	Confirmation Classes
Thursday 23 rd February	9.30am	Bridport	Rosary
	10am	Bridport	Mass Jan Meyer RIP
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir Practice
Friday 24 th February	10am	Chideock	Mass Emily Davis and Family Living & Dead
	10am	Bridport	Adoration after Mass till 11am Mother's Prayers
Saturday 25 th February St. Walburga	9.30am	Bridport	Mass William & Margaret Hitchcock RIP Confessions from 9am
8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6pm	Chideock	Mass Jan Meyer RIP Confessions from 5.30pm
Sunday 26 th February	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass People of the Parish
8 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:*

Fanny Spurle, Fernaide Thackwaite, Janet Ashman, Ernestine Haslock, Denis O'Donghue, Penelope Seogalutze,
Brian Hunt, Francis Matthews, Marie Fry, Yseult Duthie, Veronica Egan, Sidney Loud, Christopher O'Sullivan,
Edward McDermot, Helen Wood, Margaret O'Hare Gladys Martin, Blanche Bailie, Barbara Franklyn-Hyde, Mary Duffy,
Ronald Gwilliams, Patricia Saunders, Margarett Lawrence, Jan Meyer, Marie Willis, Mary Mcackenzie,
Gwen Heaven, Michael Gillon, Margaret Loveless.

May they rest in peace.



The response to the psalm at our Masses this weekend is:-
“**The Lord is compassion and love.**”

This week's **quotation from our Holy Father Pope Francis**:
“We pray for a heart which will embrace everyone. God will judge us upon how we have treated the most needy”

Fr Cor Hooijmaijers, our contact with the Solomon Islands and good friend of Pat McEvoy, has been staying in the parish for a while now. We welcome him as a concelebrant at our Sunday Mass this weekend.

We have received many generous gifts towards our **current appeal for funds**. Thank you so much, everyone who has given. Extra copies of last week's letter from Father, and copies of the payment slip, are available in the porches of our three churches if you missed out last weekend. Remember that we need to raise the money by the end of March to qualify for a reduction in our levy. And note that the sums specified in the letter of appeal are only a guide; anything you can give will be welcome!

On Tuesday we are hosts to priests and deacons of the deanery for one of their regular **Deanery Conferences**. The meeting in our hall is in the morning, followed by lunch together at the Market House. In the afternoon we shall have visitors from Swanage parish who are exploring the possibility of major work on their Parish Church and are keen to see what we have done in ours. [Our Mass that day will be at 6pm not noon.]

At the Parish Mass next Sunday (26th) we hope to have a visit from Vikki Urch who will be speaking to us about **Friends of the Holy Land**, our Parish Lent Project for 2017; there will be a retiring collection for FHL. Vikki lives in Warwickshire and is the Director of Development for FHL.

Next weekend our usual parish Leaflet and Calendar will be available for guidance for the keeping of another **Lent, which begins on March 1st**. On Ash Wednesday there will be a Mass in our Parish Church at 9.30am attended by the school, and another at 7pm.

From March 1st we shall start afresh **our public sick list**, with names mentioned at every Mass. Those names will thereafter stay on the list normally for 3 months, and will then be taken off unless we are asked to 'renew'. More details nearer the time.

Women's World Day of Prayer will take place on Friday 3rd March at 10.30am, in our Parish Church in Bridport. This will be followed by refreshments. **All are welcome.**

VERY IMPORTANT. North Street will be closed from **8am on Monday 27th February until 5pm on Friday 3rd March**; from the junction with Rax Lane to our Church entrance. So there will be no access to our carpark, from the Rax Lane side. It will still be possible to access the car park from the other direction.

Canon Richard will be installed as a Canon in **Plymouth Cathedral on Friday 24th March** during vespers at **6.30pm**. This will be followed by **Concelebrated Mass at 7pm**. All are welcome to attend. If anyone is planning to go and has a spare seat in their car, or if you would like a lift please see Faith in the office. On Saturday 25th March the Vigil Mass will be in **Bridport (not Chideock)** and this will be followed by a celebration party for Canon Richard. If you are able to **provide some food and or drink** for the party please see Faith in the office.

Tea and Chat with entertainment will be on Sunday 19th February 3pm in the Bridport United Church Hall. It's our turn to host this Churches together event. Please come along and make new friends. If you need help with transport please Contact Harry on 421225 or Tom 455674

Please come and join us for a **short flower arranging course**. If you have ever wondered how it's done, now is your chance. Lots of ideas help and fun! Classes to be held in the Church on Thursday afternoons at 2pm starting on 9th March. For further information please phone **Anne Culling on 01308 538352**

Bridport Churches Together Taize Service will be held on Sunday 12th March at 4pm in our Parish Church in Bridport. There will be chants, readings, meditation and prayer for Lent. The next Taizé rehearsal is on Thursday February 23rd at Ss Mary and Catherine at 8pm Please let Ruth know in advance if you want to be there on 01308 423034 so that she can make sure there are have sufficient copies of the music.

If you have not already done so, we would be most grateful if you would **complete the contact details form** that was attached to your newsletter a few of weeks ago – whether you have recently moved or not – and return it to Faith in the Parish Office. It is **most important** that the contact details are kept up to date.

One World Forum. The next meeting will take place at 7.30 pm on Thursday 23rd February at St John's RC Church, Shortmoor, Beaminster. It will be an evening Raga on sitar: a talk and performance by Ricky Romain, musician and human rights artist and campaigner. Visitors £4 inc. refreshments. Enquiries: Peter Glanville on 01308 458283.

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 March**. 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.

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.

"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."

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.

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REFLECTION

When Abraham Lincoln was running for President of the US there was a man called Stanton who never lost an opportunity to vilify him. When Lincoln won the election he surprised everyone by giving Stanton a post in his cabinet. Asked why he didn't destroy his enemy he replied, ' Do I not destroy my enemy when I make him my friend?'