

Bridport Catholic Parish

Serving Bridport, Beaminster and Chideock

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8th Week in Ordinary Time	Year A	Psalter 3/Year1	Mass Intention
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			
Tuesday 28 th February	12 noon	Bridport	Mass Joseph Garvey RIP Confessions from 11.30am
Wednesday 1 st March	9am	School	School Mass To make a good Lent
Ash Wednesday	7pm	Bridport	Sung Mass The Divine Mercy
Thursday 2 nd March	11am	Bridport	Funeral Mass for Dorothy Rutland
	7.15pm	Bridport	Choir Practice
Friday 3 rd March	10am	Chideock	Mass The oppressed and abused.
	10am	Bridport	Mother's Prayers
Women's World Day of Prayer			
Saturday 4 th March	9.30am	Bridport	Mass Jan Meyer RIP Confessions from 9am
1 st Sunday of Lent	6pm	Beaminster	Mass Oliver Hare RIP & family Confessions from 5.30pm
Sunday 5 th March	10am	Bridport	Parish Mass People of the Parish
1 st Sunday of Lent			

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:

Mary Duffy, Ronald Gwilliams, Patricia Saunders, Margarett Lawrence, Jan Meyer, Marie Willis, Mary Mcackenzie, Gwen Heaven, Michael Gillon, Margaret Loveless, Kathleen Bradley, Sr. Mary Bernadine, Winifred Leakey, Eva Day, Edward McDermott, Josephine McDonnell, Reinhold Drepper, Audrey Bankes, Eugene Murphy, Harold Smith, Patrick McGlory, Doreen O'Hea, Edgar Heaven, Elsie Poole, Diana Box, Ernest Page, Jack Follett, Bill Wedgewood, Ethel Nash, Samuel Mills, Sr. Dorothy Bradshaw, Edith Bartlett, Alison Bowler.

May they rest in peace.



The response to the psalm at our Masses this weekend is:-
"In God alone is my soul at rest."

This week's quotation from our Holy Father Pope Francis:
"Christ is the centre of the history of the human race and of every man and woman. To him we can bring the joys and the hopes, the sorrows and the troubles which are part of our lives"

This Thursday at 4.15pm the 4th Holy Communion Class will take place in the **Parish Hall**. The theme this week will be "God help me get it right."

We continue to receive many generous gifts towards our **current appeal for funds**. Thank you so much, everyone who has given. The current figure of money you have given is £18,380. M

ore is of course welcome, and anything over the amount we need to pay our debts on the new building will be used to build up our current account.

Canon Richard thanks all who have remembered (with Mass Intentions, private prayers and kind words) his late wife **Jan on the third anniversary of her death** this weekend. You may like to know that the headstone at her grave in Milborne Port reads, *She is now herself and loved in another place.*

Last Tuesday we were hosts to priests and deacons of the deanery for one of their regular **Deanery Conferences**, followed by lunch together at the Market House. All present greatly admired the work we have done on the Parish Church. How proud now to be Bridport Catholics!

At the Parish Mass this Sunday we have with us Vicki 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 which. Vikki lives in Warwickshire and is the Director of Development for FHL which works with pilgrims and local Christians to create a sustainable future for the Church in the West Bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan. Our diocese of Plymouth is making preliminary plans for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in October of 2018. Might you be interested?

From the start of Lent we shall refresh **our public sick list**, the names mentioned at every Mass. Names will thereafter stay on the list normally for 3 months, and will then be taken off unless we are asked to 'renew'. If you want a name to remain on the list, or a new name to be added, you must let Faith know in the office. It is worth remembering too that Canon Richard has his own 'private' list and will always include names at your request.

Note that **Mass on Thursday this week** is not at 10am but 11am a Funeral Mass for Dot Rutland who died last Sunday in her home in Victoria Grove at the age of 96. May she rest in peace.

Coming to the Presbytery and Parish Church these days one can't help noticing the wonderful work of **gardening** that is in hand; our thanks to Georgette and Mark Wormleighton for their outstanding work.

This weekend our usual parish Leaflet and Calendar will be available for guidance for the keeping of another **Lent, which begins THIS WEEK on March 1st**. On Ash Wednesday there will be a Mass in our **School at 9.am**, and another at 7pm in our **Parish Church**. ; please try to be at one or the other to begin your Lent well.

Women's World Day of Prayer will take place on Friday 3rd March at 10.30am, in our Parish Church in Bridport. Also there is an opportunity to attend **The Woman's World Day of Prayer** in Beaminster at 2pm in St. John's Church, the theme of which is **Justice**. There will be refreshments available after both services and 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.

"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."

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.

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.

Congratulations to the winners of this month's 100 Club draw the winners are 1st Prize Faith Leborgne, 2nd Prize Sheila Light and 3rd Prize Catherine Spelman

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.

Bridport is a Parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Plymouth. Reg. Charity No: 213227.
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PRAYER FOR LENT

Lord, help us to let go of old habits of sin and clothe us
in newness of life,
so that when Easter comes we will feel young again in
our discipleship.

LENT