



Church of The Most Precious Blood

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Fifth Week of Easter Year C Psalter 1

Saturday 14 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 15 th	10:30am	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Monday 16 th		
Tuesday 17 th	6:00pm	Easter Weekday
Wednesday 18 th	10:00am	Easter Weekday
Thursday 19 th	9:00am	Easter Weekday
Friday 20 th	10:00am	Easter Weekday

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People of the Parish

*Caitlin Rose Kelly R.I.P.
 Eric Draper R.I.P.*

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Brenda and Chris Jupp, Rose MacQueen, Andrew Torjussen, Brian Lesaux, Andy deKlerk, Mary Wallace, Clifford and Christopher Brown, Kath Welch, Irene Ulucki, Suzanne Hosker, Daphne Adams, John Chase, Adam Smith, Mary McAndrew, Sr Bernadette, Elizabeth Berry, Judith Banks, Robert Brandenburg, Maureen Lock, Marita & Rex Anstis, Ursula Layland.

There is a **second collection next weekend** for Plymouth Secular Clergy Fund.

Bishop's Conference of England and Wales have chosen Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter (17th) as the **Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse**. This is a day of prayer for those who have been abused, in a season of hope and new life.

Prayer resources are available at www.cbew.org.uk/prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse-2022

If you have experienced abuse and would like to speak to someone about this please contact the **Diocesan Safeguarding Office** on 01364 645430 between Monday to Friday, from 9am to 5pm for a confidential conversation, or **Safe Spaces** - a free and independent support service for anyone who has experienced abuse, however long ago, in relation to the Church of England, the Church in Wales or the Catholic Church of England and Wales. Telephone – 0300 303 1056 between Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm, apart from Thursday when the service is open 12pm-8pm. A live chat service can be accessed via www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk/

You can also visit the Safeguarding pages of the diocesan website to find contact details for local and national services that can support you:

www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/vicariate-for-safeguarding-and-pastoral-care/help-and-support-for-victims-and-survivors/

Things to pray for this week

Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse – Tuesday 17th May

- For all survivors and victims of sexual abuse, may they find justice and come to know healing.
- For leaders of the Church, may they lead with humility and mercy, and seek to protect the vulnerable and the least.

Praise to you Father of our Lord Jesus Christ the source of all consolation and hope. Be the refuge and guardian of all who suffer from abuse and violence. Comfort them and send healing for their wounds of the body, soul and spirit. Help us all and make us one with you in your love for justice as we deepen our respect for the dignity of every human life. Giver of peace, make us one in celebrating your praise, both now and forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of dear **Nancy Caunter**. We'll hold a memorial Mass for Nancy here in July; details to follow. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers at this time.

Christian Aid Week is 15th-21st May. Resources available in the porch – please help yourselves.

We are very blessed in our parish family to have so many young people, and we are very pleased that we have three young people who have been preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation this year and eight children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion.

The Confirmation Mass will be on **Sunday 29th May** and the First Holy Communion Mass on **Sunday 19th June**. Please keep all of our young people in your prayers. *Thank you*

Tea & Chat is this coming Monday (16th) at 2pm. All are welcome. If the weather is fair we will have our Tea & Chat at a beautiful location not too far from Sidmouth. Meet at the hall as usual.

Knit and Natter will be held this coming Tuesday (17th) in St Teresa's Hall, 2pm– 4pm. It takes place on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month (so the following one will be held on Tuesday 7th June). Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend, if you like. If you don't want to knit, just bring something else to do - anything goes! Tea and cake will be provided and there is no charge. The chairs will be socially distanced to keep everyone safe. Any queries, please phone Jill on 512745.

Kite Flying at Pentecost - Sunday 5th June 12.00 noon onwards. Let's Go Fly a Kite together on the green area above Jacobs Ladder Beach, adjacent to Peak Hill. (We have arranged to have the key to the gate so people can be dropped off by car if it is too far to walk.) We will celebrate the Church's birthday together by sharing a very large chocolate birthday cake and other special goodies! Bring a picnic! Also, if you can, please bring your own kite to fly, but don't worry if you can't do either – just come anyway! We are inviting all the churches in Sidmouth to join us, together with all the schools, people of Sidmouth and visitors to our beautiful town. All welcome!

Dear parish family, I just wanted to say a **big thank you** to all of those who supported my fund-raising efforts to be able to be a helper with HCPT group 141. The long wait through the pandemic meant that my trip this Easter was even more special, after having looked forward to it for such a long time. I enjoyed every little bit of it and am keen to return next year. I have lit a candle and said prayers at the grotto for you all. Thank you once again for your kindness and support, *Stephanie*

Synodal Journey – the final report, appendices and April newsletter from the Diocese of Plymouth are now available. As was agreed during our parish meetings we are holding two meetings to enable parishioners to discuss the Diocesan feedback (synthesis) which will feed into the English and Welsh national feedback to Rome. In order to contribute to the meeting you will need to read the Diocesan Synthesis (report) before you come to the meeting. Fr Paul is planning to attend both events.

- Saturday 28th May a meeting in the Hall at 10.am.
- Tuesday 31st May a Zoom meeting at 6pm

We look forward to your contribution and participation, *Francesca and Peter*

Vocations to Priesthood - Day of Recollection Saturday 21st May, 10am to 4pm at Sclerder Abbey, near Looe, Cornwall. The day will include Mass; a time of Adoration; a short conference; an opportunity for Confession and 'One to One talks' with serving Priests from our Diocese; and sharing food together (this will be provided – please let us know of special dietary requirements). Under 18s are welcome to attend with parents' permission. For further information and to register for the event, please contact Jacek.Kostuch@prcdtr.org.uk by 16th May latest.

The feast of **St Rita of Cascia** will be celebrated at St Rita's Centre, Honiton, on Sunday 22nd May with Mass at 12 noon followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. The day will conclude with Benediction at 3.30pm. Hot drinks available but bring a packed lunch.

Parishioners' Offerings: Cash and Cheques £228.90, of which £65.77 is Gift Aided
Standing Orders £532.96, of which £455.38 is Gift Aided

Please make all cheques payable to **RC Church Sidmouth**

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