



Church of The Most Precious Blood
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Fourth Week in Ordinary Time C Psalter 4

Saturday 1 st	5:30pm	Vigil Mass	<i>Janet & Charles Brandt R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 2 nd	10:30am	The Presentation of the Lord	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 3 rd			
Tuesday 4 th	6:00pm	Weekday Mass	<i>The Diocese</i>
Wednesday 5 th	10:00am	St Agatha	<i>Rose Hellyer Int.</i>
Thursday 6 th	9:00am	St Paul Miki and companions	<i>Rita Walton Int.</i>
Friday 7 th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	<i>Baby Minnie Int.</i>

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Brenda & Chris Jupp, Andrew Torjussen, Kathleen Dollery, Andy deKlerk, Mary Wallace, Jim Lock, Irene Ulucki, Suzanne Hosker, Daphne Adams, Teresina & John Chase, Mary McAndrew, Catherine Baptie, Geoffrey & Sally Burton, Pepe Arti, Marita & Rex Anstis, Rita Walton, Jane Brittain, Angie Walsh, Philip Wragg, Philip Burgoyne, Diana Richardson.

The next meeting of **Knit and Natter** is this Tues (4th) in St Teresa's Hall 2-4pm. We usually meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month, so the next one will be Tues 18th. Do come and join us and enjoy a little laughter, relaxation, good company and homemade cake. We would love to see you! Everyone is very welcome, bring a friend if you like. If you don't want to knit, just bring something else to do, or just come for the chat – anything goes! Tea and cake will be provided and there is no charge. Any queries, please phone me – Jill McGauley 01395 512745.

Musicians needed - we would love to have some more musicians to help provide musical accompaniment at weekend Masses, especially Saturday evening. You don't have to be an organist, or play to a high standard, and you wouldn't be expected to play every week. If you think you might be able to help at all please speak to the parish office.

Things to pray for this week

Pope Francis' intention for February

- We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Day for Consecrated Life – 2nd February

- For vocations to the Consecrated Life, may those whom God calls find a place of contemplation and nurture.
- For all committed to the Consecrated Life, may their prayers and their actions give life to the Church.

Calling our Parish family – we need your prayers for peace in our fragile world. Please join us on Fridays in the church 3-4pm for Adoration, **Divine Mercy** Chaplet and the Rosary. God bless you.

Homemade soup and pudding lunch Saturday 1st March at 12.30pm All proceeds to Mary's Meals. We are inviting all the other churches in the Sid Valley to join us. Tickets £7.50 (Under 16s £5) to be bought in advance please; available after weekend Masses. Please come and bring your friends to support this very worthwhile charity. See poster for more details or contact Jill 512745.

Conclave is showing at the Radway cinema in Sidmouth Friday 31st January - Thursday 6th February and Thursday 13th February at the Silver Screen.

The **Mustard Seed Spring Sale** is on! Throughout February all new books in stock will be discounted by 30% and all greetings cards are half price!

Mustard Seed 2.0? Given the planned closure of the Mustard Seed Cafe and Bookshop in March, some Sidmouth church people hope to form a steering group to examine possibilities for future ministry at the Mustard Seed premises. Such work (1) would be based on Christian faith, (2) needs financial viability, and (3) would aim to continue to offer workplace opportunities for vulnerable people. Andie Miles and Naomi Hogg, members of All Saints and Sidmouth Catholic Church respectively, are convening a meeting to address this, with a view to forming a concrete proposal. If your abilities/experience mean you could contribute to this in either a strategic or an operational way, please pray for discernment, and, if you wish to attend the meeting on 11th Feb. at 4.30 (at the Mustard Seed), please let Andie know: andrealouise63@gmail.com.

Come and share a weekend of faith, formation and friendship at the annual **Gather Conference** Fri 28th-Sun 30th March, Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. David McLoughlin, theologian and lecturer will offer keynote presentations on the four great Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council: Dei Verbum, Sacrosanctum Concilium, Gaudium et Spes and Lumen Gentium. Booking forms available from the parish office, see facebook or plymouthgather@yahoo.com for more info.

Residential Silent Retreats during March at St Rita's Centre. Cost includes full board and lodging, with help for those who have difficulties paying the recommended donation
Weekend retreat Fri 7th-Sun 9th £160 Extended Weekend Retreat Fri 7th-Tues 11th £280
Midweek Retreat Mon 10th-Fri 14th £275 6-day Retreat Fri 7th-Fri 14th £ 475
For further details and bookings contact diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk 01752 769164

For the past 40 years or so, Sidmouth has hosted **Keswick in Devon** – a regional conference spin-off from the larger national one in the Lake District. It's an ideal opportunity to hear speakers with a national profile: Krish Kandiah <https://krishk.com> and Derek Burnside <https://capernwray.org>
Books they have either authored or recommended will be available from the Mustard Seed bookstall in All Saints Church Hall for the duration of the conference, Monday 3rd –Friday 7th March. Find out more about the programme: <https://keswickindevon.org.uk/programme-2025/>

Bookings are now open for **Stay Awake 2025!** 5th April, All Saints School, Weymouth. For more info and to book for this exciting all day Catholic Conference which caters for all ages (Mass, speakers, workshops and children's streams) please click <https://www.stayawakejc.com/2025>

Catholic Marriage Care is a national charity with over 80 years' experience of working with couples as they navigate the marriage journey, both in preparation for their marriage and during the various challenges that occur during a long relationship. All our work in the Devon and Cornwall region is online, with group 'Preparing Together Anywhere' courses, 'Foccus' which is an individual preparation course, and our counselling service for couples of any faith or none. To find out more or to access any of our services, please visit our website: www.marriagecare.org

An invitation to survivors - survivor groups provide opportunity for anyone with lived experience of abuse to share their thoughts and ideas about survivor support work in our diocese. We are grateful to all those who so generously give of their time to attend these meetings. The diocese would welcome the opportunity to hear from others who have a lived experience of abuse so that we can involve them in the work we are doing support survivors. To help with this work or find out more: Sophie Scagell Survivor Support Caseworker 01364645436 sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk

Catholic Social Teaching: an introduction is a new online course for parishioners of five Zoom sessions 12-1pm on Tuesdays in March. If you are interested, please let the parish office know.

Parishioners' Offerings: Cash&Cheques £307.24 (£76.15 Gift Aided) Standing Orders £610.14 (£533.81 Gift Aided)
Please make all cheques payable to **RC Church Sidmouth**

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