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Fourth Week of Advent Year A Psalter 4

Saturday 20 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass <i>O Clavis David</i>	
Sunday 21 st	10:30am	Fourth Sunday of Advent <i>O Oriens</i>	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 22 nd		<i>O Rex Gentium</i>	
Tuesday 23 rd	10:00am	Weekday Mass <i>O Emmanuel</i>	

The Season of Christmastide

Wednesday 24 th	7:00pm	Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord	<i>for the diocese</i>
	Midnight	Midnight Mass	
Thursday 25 th	10:30am	The Nativity of the Lord	
Friday 26 th	10:00am	St Stephen	
			
Saturday 27 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass	<i>Agnes Baptie R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 28 th	10:30am	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 29 th			
Tuesday 30 th			
Wednesday 31 st			
Thursday 1 st	10:00am	Mary, Mother of God	
Friday 2 nd	10:00am	St Basil the Great	<i>For all mothers</i>
			
Saturday 3 rd	5:30pm	Vigil Mass	<i>Debbie Sands R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 4 th	10:30am	Second Sunday after the Nativity	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 5 th	7:00pm	Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord	
Tuesday 6 th	10:30am	The Epiphany of the Lord	
Wednesday 7 th	10:00am	Christmas Weekday	
Thursday 8 th	9:00am	Christmas Weekday	
Friday 9 th	10:00am	Christmas Weekday	
			

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Brenda&Chris Jupp, Andrew Torjussen, Andy deKlerk, Mary Wallace, Jim Lock, Irene Ulucki, Daphne Adams, Teresina&John Chase, Mary McAndrew, Catherine Baptie, Geoffrey&Sally Burton, Neil Scully, Pepe Arti, Marita&Rex Anstis, Angie Walsh, Philip Burgoyne.

Waiting for the Lord this Sunday (21st) at 4pm. A time of quiet prayer by candlelight, interspersed with music and readings.

Silent Adoration 10:00am–10:45am Monday all welcome.

The parish office is closed for Christmas from 19th December until 6th January. Happy Christmas!
Rebecca x

Thank you for all your Christmas cards, presents, good wishes and prayers, and for your support this year. God bless you all, *Father Paul x*

Fr Stephen has now moved back to Scotland. He would like to thank the parishioners for all your kindness and support whilst he was living in Sidmouth, and is sorry that he had to leave without staying goodbye. Christmas blessings to you all.

Christmas offering envelopes are available in the porch. Please help yourselves.

Putting all children first especially at Christmas time. Please take time to visit our crib over the Christmas period. The collection will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) as it works across the Diocese spreading God's love and giving families hope in times of crisis. We continue to ask you for concern, prayer and action. God bless all our supporters and donors.

John and Shelia would like to invite you to their **Christmas Open House** on Sunday 28th Dec from 12noon at 14 Green Mount, with running hot and cold buffet. Please bring a bottle of whatever you like to drink. RSVP to John 07929 591275

Parish Epiphany Party Sunday 4th Jan in St Teresa's Hall straight after Sunday morning Mass. Everyone - parishioners, children and visitors - all very welcome to come and there is no charge. Prosecco or juices served and party food. Please come and join in the celebration.

Knit and Natter - our next meeting is Tues 6th Jan 2-4pm, with the following one on 20th Jan. Do come and join us and enjoy a little laughter, relaxation and good company. 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! There is no charge. Any queries, please phone me – Jill McGauley Tel: 01395 512745 or email jill.mcgale@btinternet.com

Thank you to everyone who supported the **Carol service and Christmas buffet** afterwards. We had a lovely evening and raised £1,066 towards a child's fare to Lourdes. We wish you all a very happy Christmas. With love *Emma and all of HCPT Group 141*

Thank you to everyone who generously filled a **shoe box**; 39 were sent by our parish through CR2EE. All the shoe boxes reached their destination on 9th December ready to be handed out. Your gift will bring great Christmas joy to those who really need it.

Teens residential 23rd-25th Jan, East Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor. Those aged 13-17 are invited to explore lives of people holding the a refugee and asylum seekers status in the UK. There is time to question refugees and asylum seekers to hear why they left their homes to seek asylum. After listening to the stories, there is a chance for young people to form their own opinion and decide what action they would like to do. This event costs £50pp. To book: [Booking form for 13-17 year olds Residential Jan 26 – Fill in form](#) For further info: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date 12th Feb www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 07887 296983

Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) <https://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk/support-us/>

Parishioners' Offerings: Cash & Cheques £339.57 (£71.88 Gift Aided) Standing Orders £733.42 (£621.85 Gift Aided)

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

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Things to pray for this week

Expectant Mothers

- For all who are waiting for a birth, may they be given patience and strength.
- For all who work in maternity units and with mothers, may they always recognise and cherish the gift of life.

The Pope's intention for January – for prayer with the Word of God

- Let us pray that praying the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.