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First Week in Ordinary Time Year A Psalter 2

Saturday 10 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass	
Sunday 11 th	10:30am	The Baptism of the Lord	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 12 th			
Tuesday 13 th	6:00pm	Weekday Mass	<i>Paddy&Julia Carter Int.</i>
Wednesday 14 th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	
Thursday 15 th	9:00am	Weekday Mass	
Friday 16 th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	<i>Les Cairns R.I.P.</i>

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including 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.

This weekend we are delighted to welcome Julia Beacroft to our Masses, who will speak about **Mission Made Possible**. More information is available at <https://genesission.co.uk>

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

A reminder that the **Lent Planning** meeting is this Saturday (17th) at 10am in the meeting room. All welcome.

Jim Gannon RIP – please keep Jim, Pat and all Jim's family and friends in your prayers at this difficult time. Jim's funeral will be at 10am on Friday 23rd January.

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of **Pauline Brown RIP** who died last weekend, and keep her family in your prayers too. Details of her funeral will follow in due course.

Our Journey Together: towards a new Parochial Council

*Sunday 25th January in the hall after Mass
Wine and nibbles provided*

Be part of the journey
Come along, listen to some ideas and have your say about
how we form our new Parochial Council to serve the
spiritual and practical needs of our parish and the
communities of the Sid Valley

Sid Valley Food Bank had an exceptionally busy Christmas supporting people in the Sidmouth area who are in food poverty, from young families to elderly pensioners. They are now very short on supplies and urgently need more donations, particularly long life milk, cereal (including porridge) tins of meat, vegetables, fruit and custard, peanut butter, instant noodles, pasta sauce. Thank you for your support, donations can be left at any of the supermarket collection points.

Evangelium newsletter from the Diocesan Evangelisation and Catechesis team:
<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-3D7B158DDC8192832540EF23F30FEDED>

We look forward to welcoming you to our annual **GATHER conference** 20th-22nd March at Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay.

This year's theme is 'I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live' and our speakers include Avril Baigent (School for Synodality) and Fleur Dorrell (The God who Speaks).

Pauline Books will be bringing a selection of their excellent range for people to peruse and buy, and you can expect a warm welcome and a wonderful weekend of faith, formation and friendship. We are delighted that we will also be joined by Bishop Nicholas as we journey together synodally - we'd love you to join us too!

Booking forms are available from the parish office or by emailing plymouthgather@yahoo.com

Teens residential 23rd-25th Jan, East Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor. Those aged 13-17 are invited to explore lives of people holding 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

Towards a synodal church – Conversations in the Spirit

How do we listen to each other well?

How do we step back from our own agendas to be attentive to where the Spirit is moving?

How can we make better decisions about organising ourselves as Christian communities?

How do we enrich our parish communal life with enriching conversations?

The Synod process has emphasised the importance of listening and good conversations in our community life. However, these are not always so easy in practice!

Blessed Sacrament Exeter are hosting a one day face-to-face facilitator training workshop with Fr Matthew Nunes, Director of the School for Synodality.

This Conversations in the Spirit workshop will run on Saturday 21st February and will introduce the principles of holding prayerful, truthful and safe conversations which value gracious listening and courageous speaking. It is suitable for all levels of experience, including people who have not been involved in the Synod process so far.

All parishioners from across the diocese are very welcome to attend - please email Exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk to let us know you're coming. We're asking for a contribution of just £10 per person to cover costs - pay on the day. Please bring a packed lunch!

9:30am tea and coffee for a 10am start, 3:30pm finish, Saturday 21st February, Richard Reynolds Centre, Blessed Sacrament Church, 29 Fore Street, Heavitree, EX1 2QJ

Theology of the Body – the theological anthropology of St John Paul II, a new four-part course run by the Buckfast Institute with Dr Andrew Kaethler. 7pm-8:30pm on Jan 20th, 27th, Feb 3rd, 10th £60pp, student discount available contact@buckfastinstitute.org.uk for more information.

Retreats at St Rita's Centre – special discounts!

Weekend retreats (Friday 4:30pm – Sunday 3:30pm)

Groups of 5-15 30% discount £112pp Groups of 16-34 40% discount £96pp

Midweek retreats (Tuesday 4:30pm – Thursday 3:30pm)

Groups of 5-15 30% discount £98pp Groups of 16-34 40% discount £84pp

See [SPECIAL OFFERS - St. Rita's Centre](#) for more information

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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