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Holy Week Year A Psalter 2

Saturday 28 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass	<i>Mel R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 29 th	10:30am	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 30 th			
Tuesday 31 st	6:00pm	Tuesday of Holy Week	
Wednesday 1 st		Chrism Mass at Plymouth Cathedral	

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Thursday 2 nd	7:00pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 3 rd	3:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 4 th	8:30pm	The Easter Vigil
Sunday 5 th	10:30am	Easter Sunday

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, Hilary Burke, Mary McAndrew, Catherine Baptie, Geoffrey & Sally Burton, Conor Dolon, Pepe Arti, Marita & Rex Anstis, Angie Walsh, Margaret Draper, Anthony Chivers and Philip Burgoyne.

Don't forget the **clocks go forward** this weekend (28th) – time for some spring sunshine!

Easter 2026

- Welcome to **Holy Week!** Please see service times above.
- **Palm Sunday** Mass will begin at St Teresa's Hall with a procession back to church.
- The coach will leave from the Old Post Office at 9:30am on Wednesday (1st) to get to Plymouth Cathedral in time for the **Chrism Mass** at noon. There are refreshments afterwards and the coach will leave Plymouth about 2:30pm.
- Please use the lists in the porch for **foot washing** and **watching** on Maundy Thursday (2nd)
- There is a **second collection** for Holy Places on Good Friday (3rd)
- Don't forget to bring your own **bells** and **wear white** for the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday (4th)
- **Easter offering** envelopes are available in the porch

The **parish office** will be closed for Easter from Maundy Thursday until 22nd April. Please submit any newsletter items for the weekends of 5th, 12th and 19th April by this Monday (30th) to make sure they are included. Many thanks.

Narrated Masses - Fr Paul will be explaining the rich and beautiful meaning behind all that we do during morning Mass on three Fridays after Easter – 10th, 17th and 24th April. All welcome to this wonderful opportunity to learn more about our faith in a relaxed and familiar atmosphere.

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 all

Things to pray for this week

Pope's Intention for April

- Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need, and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Sidmouth SVP have organised a **Dementia Awareness Training Session** in the hall on Tues 14th April at 2pm. The session will run for 60-90min and is led by Judith Jeeves, a Dementia Friends Ambassador for the Alzheimer's Society. Everybody is welcome to come and also to bring anyone else with them who might benefit. The key learning aims will be:

- to understand five key points in order to be more aware of what dementia is, the key symptoms and be able to recognise behaviours.
- to learn small and practical ways you can support people living with dementia in the community
- to consider on action to make a difference to helping someone with dementia.
- to learn what it means to be a dementia friend.

Contemplative Retreats at St. Rita's Centre April 20th – 24th An Introduction to the *Gries Path of Prayer* as well as an opportunity for a short retreat for those familiar with this way of prayer. For further details contact the retreat co-ordinator Paddy Rylands paddyrylands@gmail.com

Bishop Nicholas Hudson is coming to **Stay Awake** on 2nd May, The Thomas Hardy School, Dorchester! The day runs from 10 am to Mass with Bishop Nicholas early Sat eve. Please get your tickets from www.stayawakejc.com (£12.50 for Adults and FREE for children). An all-age event with appropriate children's streams so that parents can engage, keynote speakers David Wells and Maria Heath; workshops and free pizza after Mass. Bring a packed lunch but there will be plenty of free refreshments throughout the day and plenty of spiritual nourishment for all. YOU are invited to celebrate and grow in your faith at Stay Awake!

Heatree Residential 15th - 17th May, 'Go make disciples of all nations' Matt 28:19
Heatree is an outdoor activity centre based on Dartmoor. The weekend is open to those aged 9-12 (school years 5-7) Whilst enjoying high ropes and raft building amongst other activities, young people will have the chance to explore the Sunday readings through discussion, crafts and games. Cost £90. To book: [Heatree 2026 15th-17th May – Fill in form](#) Further info: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Thanks for your continuing support of **Sid Valley Food Bank**, which helps families and individuals in immediate food crisis in the Sid Valley. We are currently short of biscuits (sweet or savoury), tinned vegetables, custard, tinned meat and tinned fruit. All donations gratefully received.

Called to Love 2nd-3rd May. A retreat for singles, dating and engaged young adults who want to think more deeply about relationships and the call to marriage. A relaxed weekend with input, prayer, discussion and social, as well as the opportunity to meet like-minded others! This year's retreat theme: masculinity and femininity. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/>

Marriage support - from relationships that are 'just in a rut', needing some refreshment, or more serious issues, if you are open to try again then Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more: www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

Assisted suicide Bill defeated in Scotland - on Tues 17th March, MSPs voted by 69 to 57 to defeat Liam McArthur's Scottish assisted suicide Bill. If this Bill had passed and gone on to become law, it would have ushered in an irrevocable change that would have put the vulnerable at risk and seen the ending of thousands of lives through assisted suicide in Scotland. To mark this historic moment, Right To Life UK has released a beautiful short film titled "A Better Path", which can be viewed at www.righttolife.org.uk/betterpath

World Vision event at All Saints, Sidmouth 2-4pm Sat 11th April. Come and learn more about the work that World Vision do in the developing world. With David Lewis and Steve Ellerington, WV volunteer coordinator for the South West. All welcome.

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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