

## SUNDAY READERS , EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & COFFEE TEAM

### READERS

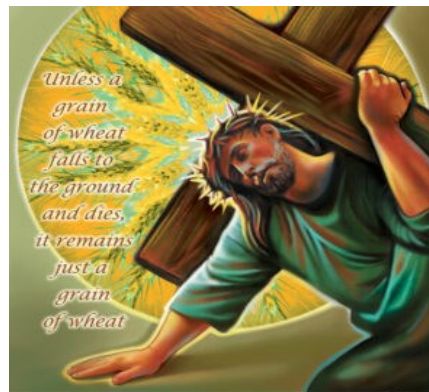
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## RETRouvaille

A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

### Retrouvaille: A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages

**Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 8 - 11 February 2024 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16 June 2024, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

### New Teacher Recruitment: Natural Family Planning (NFP) South West – in support of marriage and family life

We are looking to recruit and train new teachers to become part of a team delivering the Billings Ovulation Method (BOM) in the Plymouth Diocese. Applicants will need to chart their own fertility to gain experience. Training will be via correspondence modules. All learning must be completed within a 2 year time frame. Once accredited, you will be expected to attend 2 local diocesan study days per year in person and attend 2 BME Zoom training sessions per year. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact: Christine – 07742320717

### The Parish of All Saints in Teignmouth

is again organizing a series of Lenten Talks on Zoom to which anyone is welcome. The leaping off point for each talk is one of the great Gospels of Year A's Lenten cycle. No booking is needed and the code remains the same for all five evenings. Please do come and join us and share the journey.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The Raising of Lazarus. Mr Gerard Gillespie.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83445840521?pwd=K3IKRFVGbnY0eEMzc3pVMVhOcncFCdz09>

Meeting ID: 834 4584 0521 Passcode: 862737

### Child Exploitation Awareness Day – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024

The 18<sup>th</sup> March is the annual National Child Exploitation Awareness Day which aims to highlight the issues surrounding child exploitation, & encourages everyone to **Think Twice, Think Abuse**. Child Exploitation is a form of abuse that involves the manipulation and/or coercion of young people under the age of 18. It encompasses all the ways in which children & young people can be exploited. National Child Exploitation Awareness Day encourages everyone to think & speak out against abuse, & adopt a zero tolerance to adults developing inappropriate relationships with children or children exploiting & abusing their peers.



### HOLY ANGELS

PARISHIONERS WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FLOWER TEAM HERE AT ASSUMPTION FOR THE DELIGHTFUL MOTHERING SUNDAY POSIES

## PARISHES OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY ABBEY ROAD

76 Abbey Road, Torquay, TQ2 5NJ.

### AND HOLY ANGELS CHELSTON

Queensway, Chelston, TQ2 6BP

Presbytery: 01803 294142 Office: 411193 (9.30to 12.30 Tues to Fri)

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Parish Secretary: Mrs Joy Wells. Safeguarding Reps: Andrea Rodgers & Bernadette Hattersley

Parish Website: [www.assumptionofourlady.org](http://www.assumptionofourlady.org)

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Sun 17	<b>MASS HOLY ANGELS</b> 8.30am 9.00am <u>Holy Mass Assumption</u> 10.30am	<b>Confessions</b> <i>Private Intention &amp; People &amp; Parishes</i>  <i>Christopher Wells R.I.P.</i> <i>Thanksgiving for the life of Fr Kieran Kirby R.I.P.</i>
Mon 18	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Tue 19	<u>Holy Mass Assumption</u> 10.00am	<b>St Joseph</b> <i>Marie Rew R.I.P.</i>
Wed 20	9.30am 10.00am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Service of the Word</b>
Thur 21	<u>Holy Mass Assumption</u> 9.30am	<i>Joy &amp; John Wells Wedding Anniversary</i>
Fri 22	<b>NO MASS</b> <u>Stations of the Cross</u> 12Noon <u>Lenten Lunch</u> 1.00pm	<i>Our Lady of the Angels School.</i>  C.C.S.
Sat 23	<u>Holy Mass Assumption</u> 10.00am 11.00am 5.15pm 6.00pm	<i>Private Intention.</i> <i>First Reconciliations</i> <i>Confessions</i> <i>Elyse Forty R.I.P. &amp; Philip Leckie R.I.P.</i>
Sun 24	<b>MASS HOLY ANGELS</b> 8.30am 9.00am <u>Holy Mass Assumption</u> 10.30am	<b>Confessions</b> <i>Holy Souls &amp; People &amp; Parishes</i>  <i>Wilf Churchward R.I.P.</i>

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR EASTER FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH





### READINGS THIS WEEK

#### First reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 50:3-4

A pure heart create for me, O God.

#### Second reading

Hebrews 5:7-9

#### Gospel

John 12:20-30

### READINGS NEXT WEEK

#### First reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 21:8-9, 17-20

My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?

A pure heart create for me, O God.

#### Second reading

Philippians 2:6-11

#### Gospel

Mark

#### A Reflection on the readings for the fifth Sunday of Lent by Monsignor Robert Draper

The reading from Jeremiah is about a New Covenant. It is important to acknowledge that the prophet emphatically insists that the initiative here is totally in God's hands. "It is the Lord who speaks" – and God will act because the people are incapable of acting. The Covenant was broken by the people; God offers a new one to replace it. This New Law and New Covenant will not depend on the ability of the individual to learn it – God will plant it in each person's heart. And in order to enable each person to receive the New Covenant, God will forgive sin definitively. From the earliest days of the Church, Christians have seen these words of Jeremiah as applying to the "New and Eternal Covenant" that Jesus brings. The writer of the Letter to the Hebrews quotes this passage (10:16-17) to that effect and the faithful hear these words on the lips of the Lord from the Last Supper every time they gather for celebration of the Eucharist. The passage from John given as today's gospel has many interesting details about it. The coming of Greeks (pagans) to Jesus points to the universal dimension of Jesus' ministry. The fact that they want to "see" Jesus echoes the invitation of Andrew and John at the very beginning of Jesus' ministry when he invited them to "come and see" (1; 38) - in John insistence on a personal encounter with Jesus is a key theme. And then there are echoes of the "agony in the garden" scene from the synoptic tradition. Jesus talks of his soul being "troubled". Jesus talks of being saved from "this hour" but rejects the idea "it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour." And the clap of thunder is interpreted by some as an angel speaking to him. All of these details can be allowed to weave into the community's Lenten journey of reflection.

#### 'I Was Sick & You Visited Me.'

#### Please pray for the sick & housebound

Jillian Browning, Jennifer Cayanar, Simon Thomas,  
Siobhan Berryman, Ann Fisher, Alan Sanders,  
Julie Hooker, Jacqui Hoath, Roy Bezzina,  
Doreen Smyth, Virginia Williams, Maureen Vine,  
Leslie Richardson, Janet Margetts,  
Peter Watkinson, Hilary & Kevin Johns,  
Mr Con Allen, Eithne Woulfe, Barbara Hynes,  
Alex Beacroft & John Fear.  
Call Julia 297960 to add /omit.

#### Pope's Intentions for the month of March

*For new martyrs - Let us pray that those who risk  
their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the  
world might imbue the church with their courage  
and missionary drive.*

#### Question of the Week

**Adults:** In what ways have I sacrificed my own  
desires to be of help to others?

**Children:** How have I given something up to  
help my family, a classmate, or a friend?



CRAFT CLUB - 2.00pm

NEXT MEETINGS TUES 19TH MARCH



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY APRIL 11th

#### Prayer Breakfasts

Next Prayer Breakfast Sat 6th  
April at 8.00am In The Main Hall



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024  
NEXT MEETING FOR CHILDREN ONLY  
21st MARCH 6PM.

#### RCIA: Journey in Faith "Come and see".

As a non-Catholic, are you interested in learning  
more about the Catholic Church? Do you know  
anyone who is asking questions about the  
Catholic Church, or anyone who is thinking about  
becoming Catholic? Next session 21st March  
**6.30-7.30pm** in the Parish Centre.

#### CONFIRMATION

Next meeting for Confirmation candidates  
13th April from 10am to 12Noon

<u>OFFERINGS 10/03/24</u>	
GIFT AID	£247.00
LOOSE PLATE	£485.88
CAFOD	£448.64
CAFOD LENTEN LUNCH	£263.00

#### Drina is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom ROSARY meeting.

Rosary Meeting every Wednesday at 6.00p.m. Greenwich Mean Time

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77657578466?pwd=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBwS\\_TMPHel2v.1](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77657578466?pwd=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBwS_TMPHel2v.1)

Meeting ID 776 5757 8466 Password 3cGZSb

#### Parish Rooms Hire Charges

1. Main Hall and Kitchen ..... £16 per hour (*In house catering available with Beatrice Deloffre*)
2. Upper Hall (Refreshment facilities) £10 per hour.

Parishioners 1/3 off listed prices. All hirers will sign a contract that must be strictly adhered to.

All hall bookings to be made via Joy Wells - Parish Office Tues to Fri 9.30 to 12.30



#### Dear Bonus Ball Supporter,

The renewal of the next session is now due. We hope you enjoy the possibility of  
winning, a cash prize with your own unique number. Prizes continue to be won on a  
regular basis, so come on in & join the fun! **New members are very welcome.**

Besides the fun of winning, church funds are supported. For the next six months the cost of £26 can be paid, by  
cheque (preferred) made payable to "Church of the Assumption" & given to Joy Wells or Richard Hider. You can  
make a transfer, from your account. To the following Nat. West Bank, sort 55-70-01, account 06001009.

#### The Assumption of Our Lady & The Holy Angels Parishes Pilgrimage to Medjugorje - Tuesday 28th May - 4th June 2024

*Our Lady of Medjugorje, Queen of Peace, is calling us!*

Price £745 pp based on 2 people sharing - Return flight Bristol Split inc 23kg luggage,

7 Nights at the lovely, central, Sulic Hotel - Breakfast & Dinner + wine

Full religious programme - Daily Mass - Experienced Guide - Single supplement £125

Further information from local leader - Barney Tel: 01803 606807 or

email: [barney@bettesworths.co.uk](mailto:barney@bettesworths.co.uk)

**ONLY TWO PLACES REMAINING!**



#### CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY PLYMOUTH

Lenten Lunch Friday 22nd March at 1pm

Stations of the Cross - 22nd March Our Lady of the Angels pupils 12 Noon

Thank you to all those who attended 'The Way of the Cross' and Lenten Lunch on 16th Feb

And to those who kindly sent donations—£241 was raised



Thank you to everyone who supported the CAFOD Fast Day,  
**£448.64 WAS RAISED.**

**The total raised from our lunches was £263.00**

**There will be a Service of Reconciliation with priests from the Deanery at 6pm**

**on Holy Week Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> March, at Sacred Heart Church, Paignton.**



**All are welcome.**

