## SUNDAY READERS , EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & COFFEE TEAM READERS

SAT 29 MARCH 6.00PM R HIDER/SR BENIGNUS

SUN 30 MARCH 10.30AM SIDONIA/S KOWAL

## **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

SAT 29 MARCH 6.00PM M WATTS/DRINA

SUN 30 MARCH 10.30AM L BETTESWORTH/S WILLMOTT/T BAILEY/J BROWNING

#### COFFEE TEAM

SUN 30 MARCH SHAY & ERIN



## **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.



## **Gather 2025 Jubilate**

A weekend of faith, formation and friendship, Fri 28<sup>th</sup> - Sun 30<sup>th</sup> March, Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. Booking forms available from the parish office, email <a href="mailto:plymouthgather@yahoo.com">plymouthgather@yahoo.com</a> for more information. In 2025 we will gather again at the Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay from the evening of Friday 28 – lunchtime on Sunday 30 March. This year we are delighted that our keynote speaker will be Professor David McLoughlin.

## **Lent Zoom Course 2025**

Please find below the Zoom Link for the 2025 Lent Series. The talks themselves will begin at 7pm but the Zoom call will be open as from 645pm. Each evening is an independent and free standing talk given by 5 separate individuals and so although you can attend all 5 they are not linked other than seeking to reflect on some of the Holy Father's signs of hope in this Jubilee Year.

27<sup>th</sup> March:- Recognizing Hope.

3<sup>rd</sup> April:- Peace.

10<sup>th</sup> April:- Jesus's last Pilgrimage.

Mark Skelton is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84052447850?pwd=MmPzcp911dTsGJWDxR0vH5H9zYS4e6.1

Meeting ID: 840 5244 7850

Passcode: 043004

HOLY ANGELS OFFERINGS 16/03/25	
GIFT AID	£77.00
LOOSE PLATE	£52.20

ASSUMPTION OFFERINGS 16/03/25	
GIFT AID	£150.00
LOOSE PLATE	£412.35
CAFOD	£366.90

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May 23 minor		
Sat 22	Holy Mass Assumption	
	NO MORNING MASS	
	5.30 - 6.00pm	Adoration
	6.00pm	Philip Leckie R.I.P.
Sun 23	MASS HOLY ANGELS	<u>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</u>
	8.30am	Confessions
	9.00am	People & Parishes.
		Private Intention
	Holy Mass Assumption	
	10.30am	Elyse Forty R.I.P.
		Frances Madill R.I.P.
Mon 24	Holy Mass Assumption	
	4.00pm	Reception of Peter Watkinson R.I.P.
Tue 25	Holy Mass Assumption	The Annunciation of the Lord
	11.00am	Requiem Mass Peter Watkinson R.I.P.
	6.00pm	People & Parishes.
Wed 26	Holy Mass Assumption	
	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	John Kennedy R.I.P.
Thur 27	Holy Mass Assumption	
	9.30am	Philip Leckie R.I.P.
	6.00pm	Penitential Service
Fri 28	Holy Mass Assumption	
	11.30 am	Our Lady of the Angels School
	12 Noon	Stations of the Cross
	1.00pm	Lenten Lunch in the Main Hall
Sat 29	Holy Mass Assumption	
	10.00am	First Holy Communion Children
	5.30 - 6.00pm	Rosary
	6.00pm	People & Parishes
Sun 30	MASS HOLY ANGELS	
	8.30am	Confessions
	9.00am	People & Parishes.
		Holy Souls
	Holy Mass Assumption	
	10.30am	

## READINGS THIS WEEK - First Scrutiny (Year A)

First reading

Exodus 17:3-7

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 94:1-2, 6-90 that today you would listen to his voice: Harden not your hearts.

Second reading

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel

John 4:5-42

# A Reflection on the readings for the third Sunday of Lent Year C

## by Monsignor Robert Draper

Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; Ps 18; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

"What's in a name? A rose by any name would smell as sweet" asks Juliet all the while knowing that it is precisely Romeo's name that is the problem, and it is his name that will inevitably bring about a tragic result. The reality is that names are very important – that is why we hate the idea of simply being 'a number' in society. The passage from Exodus of Moses at the burning bush is significant precisely because the revelation of God's name changes the relationship between God and his people. Much has been written by scholars about the actual way of understanding the enigmatic name that God shares with Moses, but the importance is that knowing God's name puts the people in a unique relationship with him. All human relationships are different when we know the name of the person we encounter, and often we will adopt nicknames or pet names which express something special about that relationship. In the scriptures Abram, Sarai, Simon, and Saul are all given new names to express their new identity as those entrusted with God's work. So, we should recognise that when we begin Mass or prayer, we begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" – something which expresses the very nature of our relationship with the God who comes to us as Trinity.

The gospel is one of the teachings of Jesus in the gospels that is unique to Luke. It is a very appropriate text for Lent as it challenges its hearers to take the call to repentance seriously. At the same time, the parable of the fig tree offers hope that there is still time for that repentance to be effective and produce the fruit required.



## **Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heatwen, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure Expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

## <u>'I Was Sick & You Visited Me.'</u> 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, Barbara Hynes, Hilary & Kevin Johns, Nkosi, Mr Con Allen, Alex Beacroft, Sr Damian, Sr Cosmas, Tony Evans, John Fear, Bernard Hynes, William Baxter, John Adams, Anna, Pat Long, Philip, Claire, Kathleen Rowlands, Stephen Fear, Harry Aldridge, Terry Treleaven, Bernard Sisson & Julie Evans.

Call Julia 297960 to add /omit .

# Pope's Intentions for the month of March

For The New Martyrs - We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

## **Question of the Week**

**Adults**: What important work could bear fruit in your life right now if you have more confidence in God's loving care?"

**Children**: What great work would you like to do as vou grow older? What can you do to begin now?



<u>CRAFT CLUB</u> - <u>2.00pm</u> <u>NEXT MEETINGS TUES</u> 1st APRIL

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

As a non-Catholic, are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?

#### Next RCIA session:

Thursday 3rd April.

Refreshments available from 6pm, session from 6.15-7.15 in the Parish Centre.

No commitment is required.

A warm welcome awaits.



<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</u>

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY APRIL 10TH



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024/2025

MEETING FOR CHILDREN ONLY

THURSDAY 27TH MARCH

6PM IN THE PARISH ROOMS



Next Prayer Breakfast Sat 5th APRIL
at 8.00am In The Main Hall

## 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

Meeting ID 776 5757 8466 Password 3cGZSb



## **TORBAY HOSPITAL**

If you are going into hospital or are unexpectedly in hospital, please in the first instance let either Joy or Julia Beacroft know, so that Holy Communion can be brought to you during your stay there. In the second instance, please inform the hospital staff that you would like to receive Holy communion. They will inform the Chaplaincy Office there and you will be ministered to by a Catholic Eucharistic Minister accordingly.

(Julia Beacroft Mob: 07751 670211)

## **CHURCH LAUNDRY**

We are looking for volunteers to help with church laundry please. You would be taking turns with at least one other parishioner, so every other month or less. Please come forward by contacting either Julia Beacroft (07751 670211 or Sally Wilmott (01803 293284)



## Catholic children's society







#### **LENTEN LUNCH FRIDAY 28TH MARCH.**

HOLY MASS - 11.30AM. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 12 NOON,

FOLLOWED BY LUNCH - HOME MADE SOUP, SELECTION OF CHEESES & BREADS. £7 PER PERSON

STATIONS WILL BE WITH THE CHILDREN FROM OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS SCHOOL





# **VACANCY – HEAD OF CARITAS**

Location: St Boniface House, Ashburton, Devon, travel throughout the Diocese Hours: 35 hours per week Salary: £45,000-£50,000 p.a. depending on experience

Position Type: Permanent, Full-time position

Benefits: Statutory holiday plus Diocesan Leave days equating to an additional 4-5 days p.a.

Auto-enrolment pension scheme

Death in service benefit Discount and cashback scheme Mobile phone allowance Free parking Car allowance Closing date for applications: Sunday 27 April 2025