



CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

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PARISH CHURCH, 1 STAVORDALE RD DT4 0AB
CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING
25th APRIL 2021
FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER B PSALTER 4

THE CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR PUBLIC HOLY MASS

CHURCH OPENING HOURS FOR PRIVATE PRAYER: 9 a.m.–12 noon

HOLY MASS WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED AS FOLLOWS:

24 SAT 10 a.m. Mass Patrick & Chris Shonfield
10.45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance

3 p.m. MASS IN POLISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER B PSALTER 4

6 p.m. Mass People of the Parish

25 SUN 8 a.m. Mass Mrs Daeng Thoyt
10 a.m. Mass Sick & Housebound

26 MON 10 a.m. No Mass

27 TUE 10 a.m. Mass Pauline Toohey

28 WED 10 a.m. Mass Clifford Owen RIP
10.45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance

29 THU ST CATHERINE OF SIENNA V Dr PATRON OF EUROPE
10 a.m. Mass Fr Marcin (Polish Priest)

FEAST

30 FRI 10 a.m. Mass Sheila Goodwin RIP

May
1 SAT 10 a.m. Mass Joseph Warnett
10.45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance

3 p.m. MASS IN POLISH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER B PSALTER 1

6 p.m. Mass People of the Parish

2 SUN 8 a.m. Mass Richard Lovelace RIP
10 a.m. Mass Sick & Housebound

IN OUR PRAYERS: *'I was sick and you visited me'.* Please pray for: Brendan Carroll, Ms Pauline Toohey, Roger Walton

Should anyone require prayer, please email the office. Thank you.

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

	18 th April 2021	19 th April 2020
Offertory Collection	£	£ 1289.0 (3 WEEKS)
Standing Orders	£ 1075.19	£ 909.96
Total giving for the week	£ 1075.19	£ 2198.96

PLEASE PRAY: For **Canon John Webb, Dean of Dorset**, who has been taken into hospital that he may recover soon from his illness.

CHURCH OPENING: During this lockdown, public Masses in the Parish will continue at normal times, including at weekends. The obligation to attend Holy Mass on Saturday Evening or Sunday **remains suspended** for the time being. Mass will continue to be **streamed** - if you can, join us by going to the parish website www.ourlady-starofthesea.com and then clicking the link which will take you straight to the live streaming. All who are shielding should continue to stay at home until the Government advises it is safe to venture out. Needless to say, our church premises and the way they are used must be a safe place, free if possible from Corona Virus, as well as a place of sacredness. In accordance with diocesan guidelines, the following rules must be **STRICTLY** adhered to:

1. Entry to the church is by way of the front/main entrance **ONLY**.
2. Exit from the church will be through the side door **ONLY**, and from there into the car park.
3. All notices outlining procedures, including personal cleanliness and social distancing, must be adhered to.
4. If on approaching the church, there seems to be too many people, then please **DO NOT ENTER** but return at another time.
5. Face masks must be worn by all who attend (unless exempt).

The Parish Hall will remain closed.

NHS TEST & TRACE: In accordance with the Government's guidelines on the need for test & trace, those of you with smartphones can now use the **NHS COVID-19 App** and scan the QR code at the entrance to St Joseph's removing the need to write your details each visit. Those not using this App must continue to give your details in writing, which will be held for **3 weeks**.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: Prayer of **St. Alphonsus**. *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.* (Can be said at Communion)

PRAYER MINISTRY: Due to the current **COVID** situation, there will be no specific prayer ministry after each Mass. If you would like prayer support at any time, you are most welcome to telephone your request to **Anna 561678 or Ann 789450 or Michael 459460**.

A PRAYER FOR THE PARISH: With the possibility of Lockdown coming to an end in the near future, I would like us to start our **NEW BEGINNING** by entrusting it to almighty God, and so I am asking you to make use of this prayer every day for the foreseeable future as we begin again our service to God and our neighbour. If possible, copy it and place it somewhere where you can easily find it and read it each day. It will be said at the end of each Mass in the Parish.

Let us Pray: Almighty God our Father we pray that the guiding light of your Holy Spirit will shine on our parish, leading us safely out of lockdown and into new beginnings. Thank you, Father, for every blessing over the years, for you are always with us. Help us to place you at the centre of all that we are and all that we do. May we unite wholeheartedly in moving forward to make our parish the beacon of your light and love that you desire it to be, drawing your beloved people into the fold of knowing, loving and serving you. **Holy Spirit** we open ourselves to you, asking that you inspire us and lead us into what you would have us be and do. Grant us courage and generosity of heart in using the gifts you freely give us. We make our prayer in the Name of Jesus your Son. Amen.

WELCOME HOME: To all of you who now feel safe enough to return to Holy Mass here in our Parish church. It is indeed good to see so many of you again. Hopefully, sometime in June we shall be able to reinstate many of our pastoral and spiritual activities. To those who do not feel ready or safe enough to return, do not worry and please keep safe. At present, due to restrictions, we could not accommodate all of you even if you wished to return. You are still part of our family and we love you greatly. God bless you all and stay safe.

CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT GROUP: Just a reminder that the Coronavirus Support Group is still active and is there to provide help and support to parishioners during these difficult times. This can be practical support with shopping or errands, but also moral support for anyone that might be feeling lonely or isolated. Due to the lockdown limitations, this support will

be by telephone, but very often a friendly chat is all that is needed. If you are in need of support from the group, please contact **Helen Harris on 07967593188, 01305 770703** or email buntyharris@hotmail.com.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Today is the 4th Sunday of Easter, also known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. In the Gospel (John 10:11-18) we hear Jesus say "**I am the good shepherd.**" Sometimes sheep stray away from the shepherd and can get lost. Like the sheep we get lost sometimes and Jesus is the shepherd who helps us. Listening to Jesus' teachings and following his example will help us to stay close to God and be safe in his love. This week, ask a parent or carer to read you the story of the Prodigal Son, also known as **the lost son**. Talk about how the lost son might be like a lost sheep who is found again.

Weekly Children's Liturgy is also available at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdJNyn5xOrOB5634uplhCQg>. Please enable your children to continue in their journey of faith. God Bless.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL NEWS: On Monday, it was lovely to welcome our children back to school from the Easter break. We started the week with a whole school liturgy. Every class took part virtually as we celebrated the Risen Lord and joined in with prayers and a guided reflection. The gospel reading, homily and prayers of intercession helped us reflect on the gospel value of compassion. Our thought for the week is: How can we show empathy and understanding towards others and act with compassion this week? We have seen children acting with compassion and embracing the words of Pope Francis in Laudato Si, and have rewarded them with certificates at our Gospel Reflection Assembly led by our Year 6 children. We thank Mrs Wilkins for the way she has decorated our Paschal Candle in the chapel with beautiful flowers from her garden that have special meanings. As teachers take their children to the chapel they have discussed the candle's significance and linked it to their teaching in RE this term.

PARISH GIVING – ANOTHER WAY TO DONATE:

My sincere thanks to all of you who have continued to contribute to parish funds during the pandemic. Donating by standing order, annual cheque or using numbered envelopes for the weekly collection continue to be the best ways to donate, though of course your loose cash donations are equally valued. However, we know many now prefer to use card payment methods and no longer carry much cash with them so we have now introduced a cashless donation option. **Please be assured that this option is simply for your convenience – there is no pressure on anyone at all to use it.** If you currently donate by standing order, annual cheque or gift aid weekly envelopes, then please continue with please do so. The diocese supplied cashless giving equipment consists of a mobile device which allows you to select how much you want to give plus a card reader to take your donation. This will be available in the porch before Mass. It is possible to gift aid your donations by entering some brief personal information and if you require a receipt, you simply need to enter an email address. Once either of these is done, the system will recognise your card and will not ask for the details

again. A volunteer will be available for anyone who needs a little help or guidance in using the equipment. If you are comfortable with technology and would like to help as a volunteer, please contact Cathy Breward on 01305 779205. these methods. If you prefer to use cash, then

ONE WORLD GROUP BONUS BALL MARCH WINNERS: 6th no.15 Sr Jackie Brain, 13th no.20 FREE, 20th no.21 Anne Cameron, 27th no.29 Audrey Gowen.

A PRECIOUS PLACE OF GOD'S GRACE: – Your Parish, Your Church: the next step. Bishop Mark has invited International speaker Michael Dopp to present to the clergy and laity of our diocese. Drawing on the themes of missionary discipleship that are emphasized in the document, we will explore how to concretely live this out in our own lives, as a parish, and throughout the diocese. Join us on **Saturday 1st May for the two part presentation 11 a.m. – 12noon & 1 – 2 p.m.** You will need to register via the following link (also on the parish website):

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-precious-place-of-gods-grace-michael-dopp-on-missionary-parishes-tickets-145433789379?utm-medium=discovery&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&aff=escb&utm-source=cp&utm-term=listing>

DIOCESE DATES: Social Justice talks (Your Faith in Action) Monday 26th April 7.30-9.00 by ZOOM. We are pleased that CAFOD will join us to talk about their Reclaim our Common Home campaign. We will have a chance to explore what is the G7 Summit? This talk is aimed at young people aged 12-25. For Zoom log in, please email youth@predtr.org.uk.

Pentecost: Drama, Dance and singing workshops. 21st, 28th April and 5th, 12th May 7.00 – 8.15 by ZOOM. Continuing with the popular drama and dance workshops, Youth Events will be running these themed on Pentecost. This is jointly run with **By Design Theatre** and is aimed at young people Yr 6 upwards. Through Zoom, young people will have the opportunity to explore the piece of scripture from Acts about Pentecost. They will be guided to produce short sequences of dance and drama which will be recorded through ZOOM. For log in details, please email youth@predtr.org.uk

I am seeking young people across the diocese that speak an additional language to English and would be happy to record themselves saying the Lord's prayer. Please get in contact if you are willing to take part. If all remains according to the government road map, it is hoped that in July, we will have a couple of day events at St Rita's in Honiton. On the 10th July, there will be a chance to explore expressing your faith through creativity. Members from the Stay Awake band will join us. This is event is aimed at young people aged 10 upwards. On 2nd July, there will be a social justice day, Care for Creation. This is aimed at young people 13 to 25. More to follow.

SAFEGUARDING REVIEW IMPLEMENTATION: The Elliot Review Implementation Group for Safeguarding has been producing a regular newsletter, available every two weeks. It can be seen at www.catholicsafeguardingproject.org. It is worth recognising the excellent work done by local Safeguarding Reps, and we encourage them in this important work.

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PARISH ROTAS

	This week 25/04/21	Next week 02/05/21
Welcomers	Details to follow soon	
Ministers of the Word		
Counters		
Church Cleaning	TEAM B	TEAM C
Hall Cleaning	Details to follow soon	

Please submit all items for inclusion in the Newsletter to the Parish Office, by 11 a.m. Wednesday, preferably by e-mail to stellamarisweymouth@btinternet.com Thank you.

