



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

9th MAY 2021

SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER B PSALTER 2

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:

MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY

8 SAT **10 a.m. Mass** Jim & Christine Mageean
10.45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance

3 p.m. MASS IN POLISH

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER B PSALTER 2

6 p.m. Mass People of the Parish

9 SUN **8 a.m. Mass** Sick & Housebound
10 a.m. Mass Paulina Gawron RIP & family

10 MON **Easter Weekday**
10 a.m. No Mass

11 TUE **Easter Weekday**
10 a.m. Mass Family, living and dead of Kathleen Wright

12 WED **10 a.m. Mass** George William and Margaret M Turner
10.45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance

13 THU **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**
10 a.m. Mass Bernard Corrigan
7.p.m Mass

OBL SOLEMN

14 FRI **ST. MATTHIAS – APOSTLE**
10 a.m. Mass Speedy recovery of Isabel Llanezq

FEAST

15 SAT **Easter Weekday**
10 a.m. Mass Sr. Geraldine
10.45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance

3 p.m. MASS IN POLISH

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER B PSALTER 3

6 p.m. Mass People of the Parish

16 SUN **8 a.m. Mass** Elaine Harrison
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 MAY: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

	2 nd May 2021	3 rd May 2020
Offertory Collection	£ 498.60	£
Standing Orders	£ 1119.81	£ 909.96
Total giving for the week	£ 1618.41	£ 909.96

PLEASE PRAY: For the repose of the soul of **Mrs Agnes Smith** of this parish who has died and for her family who mourn her.

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.

MAY, the month of MARY: Pope Francis is requesting that this month of May, the entire Church invoke the intercession of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** for the end of the Pandemic and, in a special way, he is inviting all of us to pray fervently for those most closely affected by it. **Thirty Marian Shrines** will take turns leading prayer throughout the Church and offering the faithful a series of **Prayer Moments** for them to participate throughout the entire day. If possible, please pray the **HOLY ROSARY** each day.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT: "I ask each and all of you that you organise seminars of Life in the Spirit in your parishes" (Pope Francis). Well, let's listen and do what our Pope asks. Follow this url link <http://www.pffm.org.uk/lifeinthepirit> to sign up, or ring Deacon Jonny for more information.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: God IS love! In the Gospel (John 15:9-17), Jesus tells his friends "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you". He

then reminds them "Love one another as I have loved you". We are Jesus' friends, so we know we are loved and must also pass this love on. The source of this love is God Himself so it can never run out. It comes in so many different ways. St Paul wrote about some of them (1Corinthians 13:1-13). This week, make your own list and notice the opportunities we have to give and receive this love and SEE God working in our world today.

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: We welcomed the children back this Tuesday and launched the week with a liturgy linked to the Gospel Reading from last weekend. We asked the children to be reflective and to think about their connection to God. Our thought for the week has been, "Bear Fruit," and act with love and kindness. In each class, teachers have discussed this thought and the children showing the gospel value of kindness were given certificates in our virtual Gospel Value Reflection Assembly. As this month is Mary's month, we are focusing on Our Lady, and each class will be asked to contribute to a school display and to pray parts of the Rosary in their classes. We are excited about this and will give you more details in the coming weeks.

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, particularly for the Sunday 10 a.m. Mass, please contact Cathy Breward on 01305 779205.

DIOCESE DATES: Pentecost: Drama, Dance and singing workshops. 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@prcdtr.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 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.

INDIA: As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with our experienced sister agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities, with over £200,000 already pledged. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres. Please watch the video of Father Paul Moonjely from Caritas India [here](https://www.cafod.org.uk/give). You can donate online here: [cafod.org.uk/give](https://www.cafod.org.uk/give). Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

RECRUITMENT: Natural Fertility Regulation (NFR) South West is seeking to recruit and train new teachers in the Billings Ovulation Method (BOM) in the Plymouth Diocese. Applicants should, preferably, have personal experience of, or a basic knowledge of, NFR, or be willing to learn and use the method themselves. Training will be by via 10 internet correspondence modules covering 10 consecutive months with 3 study days per year. There is a discretionary cost of £250 to cover resources and training. "Marriage and conjugal love are by their nature ordained toward the procreation and education of children. Children are really the supreme gift of marriage and contribute in the highest degree to their parents' welfare." [2nd Vatican Council.] More information: Christine Hudson 07742320717

OPENING UP OF THE LOKDOWN: With the continued opening up of our Lockdown it is likely to be only a matter of time when we shall need the services of **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** both on the altar and in taking communion to the sick & housebound. This is an **ESSENTIAL** Ministry and I ask all those who are willing to continue or to become part of this Ministry to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Will those who require and wish to have Holy Communion brought to them when we are permitted to do so, please hand in their names to the Parish Office as soon as Possible.

RETURNING TO HOLY MASS: Although the Bishops have not reinstated the **OBLIGATION** to attend Holy Mass I would suggest that we start to think about it and pray about it so that we are able, ready and willing to return to taking up our religious duties when the time comes. **Meanwhile you are still not obligated to attend Holy Mass at present.**

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PARISH ROTAS

	This week 09/05/21	Next week 16/05/21
Welcomers	Details to follow soon	
Ministers of the Word		
Counters		
Church Cleaning	TEAM D	TEAM E
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.

