

Parish of the Sacred Heart and St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Welcome to Mass! Do please join in the singing of congregational hymns and enjoy our fellowship.

Third Week in Ordinary Time – Year B2, Psalter 3	
Saturday 20 th January	
6pm – Vigil Mass of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Timmons family
Sunday 21st January – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8.30am – said Mass	Antonio and Peter Macari
10.00am – family Mass	Kearns & Noble Families RIP
Tuesday 23 rd January – 10am Mass	Anne Connor RIP
Wednesday 24 th January – 10am Mass St Francis de Sales	Bernie Snowden
Thursday 25 th January – 10am Mass Conversion of St Paul	Elizabth Austin RIP
Friday 26 th January – 10am Mass	Fr O'Reilly RIP
Saturday 27 th January	
6pm – Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Fr O'Malley RIP
Sunday 28th January – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8.30am – said Mass	Antonietta Macari
10.00am – family Mass	Pat Kelly RIP

Sacrament of reconciliation: Saturday before Mass 5.15 – 5.45pm.

Pastoral visits for the anointing of the sick are permitted at home, in our care homes and in hospital, so do please contact the parish office as necessary to arrange a visit by the parish priest or EMHC.

Please notify Fr Ralph or the Ecumenical Team Chaplaincy at Torbay Hospital should you require a visit by a Catholic Priest during your hospital stay, or Father will gladly anoint you before going into hospital.

This Week's Sunday Gospel: The Call of the Disciples (Mark 1:14-20)

What is going on? We had last Sunday the story of the first two disciples joining Jesus. One of them was Andrew, the other unnamed. Now we get another story, in another place, of other first disciples being called. So the Church underlines, two weeks running, the importance of Jesus' new community. The first thing he does is call disciples. He can't do everything on his own, and that is the point of the Church. He calls disciples to make a new people, a new Israel - old, young, middleaged: we all have our part to fill in Jesus' play. Tired old folk, busy parents, lively youngsters - each of us can make a unique contribution, especially since Jesus has chosen us himself. An odd choice, some of us! What did he want ME to do in the new family of Jesus? The two different versions of the calling of the disciples show that at least two different people told this story. When two people tell the same story, there are bound to be variations. The place didn't matter, or the order in which the disciples were called. The point of the story was the call, the response and the companionship, the working together with the Lord. Do you enjoy more being on your own or linking up with others? What is Jesus calling you to do?

Fr Ralph writes...

<u>PARISH QUIZ</u> hosted by the Social Committee to be held on Saturday 3rd February starting at 7pm. Tickets on sale this weekend – please see Rosemary and Aidan for further details.

TWO PARISH REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND ORDINATION MASS:

If you would like the chance to attend the Mass on February 22nd, please WRITE YOUR NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS ON A POSTCARD (names of spouses/couples on a separate card please) and drop through the PRESBYTERY POST-BOX by the close of MONDAY 22ND JANUARY. Please note you MUST be able to travel *independently* to the Cathedral without the assistance of Father Ralph or a carer as *only two seats can be allocated to our parish*. The names of TWO PARISHIONERS (to sit together but not necessarily a couple!) will be drawn from a hat after Mass on Tuesday 23rd January. You will be notified in due course about attendance and parking arrangements on the day. Also, **the Service of Solemn Vespers at the Cathedral on 21 February**, the evening before the Ordination and Installation Mass, WILL BE OPEN TO ALL wishing to come and pray with and for the Bishop-elect as he prepares for the following day's profoundly significant ceremonies for him and for our diocese. Importantly, both the Solemn Vespers and the Ordination Mass and Installation will be live-streamed on the Plymouth Diocesan website.

FEAST OF ST BAKHITA MODERN SLAVERY EVENT: Thursday 8th February 10.30-12.30, Church of the Assumption of Our Lady, Abbey Road, Torquay.

Modern slavery is a serious crime being committed across the UK in which victims are exploited for someone else's gain. It can take many forms including trafficking of people, forced labour and servitude. Victims are often hidden away, may be unable to leave their situation, or may not come forward because of fear or shame. This 2-hour event will hear from a range of speakers about modern slavery in our Diocese and how we are called to respond. There will be practical advice about what to look out for and what we can do if we have concerns. The event will take place on the Feast of St Bakhita, patron of victims of modern slavery, on Thursday 8th February from 10.30-12.30 at the Church of the Assumption of Our Lady parish rooms in Abbey Road, Torquay TQ2 5NJ and will be followed by a free light lunch. Please email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk or call 01364 645425 to register so we can plan catering.

VACANCY – ASSISTANT TO DIOCESAN CARE OFFICER Location: St Boniface House, Ashburton, or a Plymouth Location. Hours: 21 hours a week. Actual salary for 21 hours is £14,400 - £15,400 Closing date: Monday 29th January KEY RESPONSIBILITIES Assist the Diocesan Care Officer for Clergy to provide care and support for the sick and retired clergy of the Diocese. Visits to Clergy in their home/care homes to assess their care requirements and/or current living situation. Maintain regular contact through telephone or email to assess their care requirements and/or current living situation. Conduct risk assessments and check documentation requirements. Report to the Diocesan Care Officer for Clergy any observations or requirements following visits or contact with sick or retired clergy members. Maintain accurate and GDPR compliant records. Answer incoming queries and calls ensuring they are signposted to the correct department or colleague. Process applications for grants/ benefits, NHS continuous health care, personal alarms, blue badge, attendance allowance and stair lifts etc.

<u>CHURCH COLLECTION</u>: 13/14 January £715-32. Thank you sincerely for your generosity as ever. Cheques can be made payable to Paignton RC Parish.