

# OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS AND ST DENIS



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12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## Seventh Sunday of Easter

**Sunday Readings:**  
**Year B**  
**Psalter: 3**

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (First Mass of Sunday)</b>	6pm	The Parish
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	10am	Denis and Mary Moxhay RIP
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Monday of the Seventh Week of Eastertide</b>	10am	<b>MORNING PRAYER ONLY – NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>ST MATHIAS - APOSTLE</b>	10am	<b>MORNING PRAYER ONLY – NO MASS</b>
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Eastertide</b>	10am	Fr Louis Rieunier RIP (St Marychurch Parishioners)
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Thursday of the Seventh Week of Eastertide</b>	10am	<b>MORNING PRAYER ONLY – NO MASS</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Friday of the Seventh Week of Eastertide</b>	10am	<b>MORNING PRAYER AND ROSARY – NO MASS</b>
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Saturday of the Seventh Week of Eastertide</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION MASS AT ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY CHURCH, ABBEY ROAD</b>
	<b>VIGIL OF PENTECOST (First Mass of Sunday)</b>	6pm	Anna Rose McGoldrick RIP

**Next Sunday: 19<sup>th</sup> May – PENTECOST**

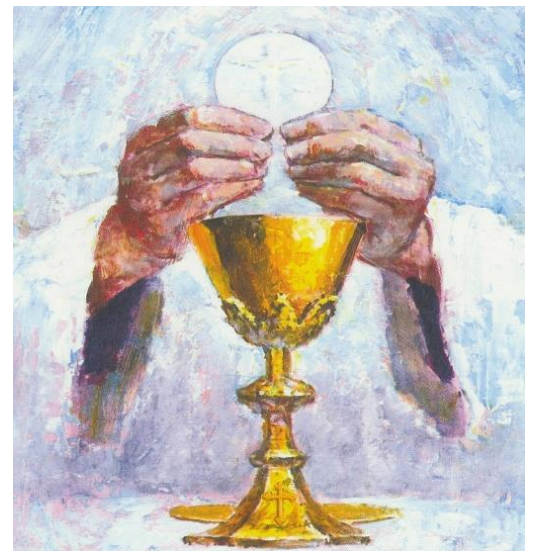
**Readings: Ac 1:15-17; Ps 102; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11-19**

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY EUCHARIST

The Sacrament of Holy Eucharist is one of the three Sacraments of Initiation, so called because, like Baptism and Confirmation, it brings us into the fullness of our life in Christ. In Holy Communion, we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, without which, John (6:53) says “you shall not have life in you.”

Receiving Holy Communion brings us graces that affect us both spiritually and physically. Spiritually, our souls become more united to Christ, both through the graces we receive and through the change in our actions that those graces effect. Frequent Communion increases our love for God and for our neighbour, which expresses itself in action, which makes us more like Christ.

Please remember in your prayers all the children of our parish who will receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist for the first time this **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May**



**Pope Francis' Intentions for the month of May: For the formation of men and women Religious, and Seminarians**

Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

**Food Bank donations:** Non-perishable food items and hygiene products may be left at the back of church or taken to the driveway of the Vicarage in Cary Park Road. Visit [www.facebook.com/allsaintschurchbabb](http://www.facebook.com/allsaintschurchbabb) for more information.

**Torbay Hospital**

If you or someone you know would like to be visited as an inpatient, please phone Felicity on 07906 234210 or Richard on 07952 670292.

We have been asked by the life protection charity Right to Life to say prayers of intercession during May. For **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May**, the prayer is: As the Easter season draws to a close, may the spirit of Easter and new life remain with us. Let us pray that the good works and charity of our church community continue, especially towards the needy among us preparing for the birth of a child.

**Youth Adventure Weekend, Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey, 24th – 26th May**

This year's theme is 'I am with you' (Mt 18:20). In between activities and games, young people will have the chance to explore the scripture and consider ways to communicate with God. We plan to offer caving amongst other activities. This weekend is aimed at 10–13-year-olds. Cost £100. Any further questions: please contact Saskia: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk). To book: <https://forms.office.com/e/DkVzq6hTJB>.

**Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 26th July 2024**

6 Nights £955 per person sharing. Special Youth Section Price: £495 per person sharing. Direct flight from Bristol to Toulouse and return from Bordeaux to Bristol. Full religious programme facilitated in conjunction with the Diocese of Plymouth including Mass at the Grotto, Anointing of the Sick, Torchlight Procession & Blessed Sacrament Procession. For information, please contact: Fr Chris Findlay-Wilson via email: [Christopher.Findlay@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Christopher.Findlay@prcdtr.org.uk). To book, please contact: Joe Walsh Tours Tel: 0808 1890468 (Freephone) Email: [info@joewalshstours.co.uk](mailto:info@joewalshstours.co.uk)

**Trustee Vacancy with Marriage Care**

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services across England, Wales and Gibraltar. We are looking for Trustees to strengthen our board and to help us continue to provide vital relationship support services to the Catholic community and beyond. For more information please visit: [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) or email: [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk).

**Parish Barbeques – they're back!**



Our summer barbecue season is now underway. Please join us in the Presbytery garden after 10am Mass on the following Sundays to enjoy hearty fare and good company – and perhaps even a tippie or two. You are most welcome.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May; Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June; Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July;  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August; Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September;  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

We hope to see you there!

**World Communications Day**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

The Pope's message for World Communications Day follows the theme Artificial Intelligence and the Wisdom of the Heart: Towards a Fully Human Communication

O God,  
whose word is truth  
and in whose light we see light,  
guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image.

Make them seekers after truth  
and advocates of human dignity.

Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours,  
and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world,  
awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence  
and of longing for your peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever.

Amen

You can read the Pope's message for World Communications Day via this link: [www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd24-papal-message/](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd24-papal-message/)

## THE PARISH COMMUNITY

**Sacrament of Holy Communion:** Our children will be making their First Holy Communion during the 10am Mass this **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May**. Please keep the children in your prayers as they celebrate this important step in their faith journey.

**Requiescat in pace:** It was with deep sadness that we heard this week about the death of **Patty Wotton**. Canon Michael will celebrate Patty's Requiem Mass at Abbey Road Church at 11am on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**. Please remember Patty's family and friends in your prayers as you pray for the repose of her soul.

**Confessions** are heard after Saturday morning Mass and by appointment.

**Coffee after Mass** takes place on **Sundays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays** each week; please come along.

**Choir:** You are most welcome to join our friendly church choir. Practice takes place on Sunday mornings at 9.30am, in St Thomas' room.

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**PRCDTR St Marychurch RC Parish.**

**Mass Intentions:** Please contact Vicky in the parish office to arrange a Mass intention.

There are weekdays available in **July**; the next Saturday 6pm or Sunday 10am weekend Masses available are **13<sup>th</sup>/14 July**.

**100 Club:** The lucky winning ticket of the £10 weekly prize is: **No. 74**. Congratulations! Please pay £12 to renew your subscription for the next quarter by cash, cheque, or BACS - **you have to be in it to win it!** Please contact Vicky: **Tel** 01803 327612 or Felicity: **Mob** 07906 234210 for more information.

We now have only 33 active members of the 100 Club, which means the net amount going towards fundraising has reduced to £176 for each quarter. If you would like to join the 100 Club, please complete one of the forms available at the back of the church, and Felicity will contact you.

### **Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Felicity Stead and Julie Neville.**

If you have any enquiries or concerns about Safeguarding, please contact Felicity or Julie in confidence on **Safeguarding Mob: 07434 744631**.

### **You are most welcome to attend our Masses; they are also live-streamed via **YouTube**.**

To view, click [here](#) to access the 'At a glance' page on the Parish Website. Alternatively, open YouTube and search for 'Potts Chatto' (the name of our YouTube channel, in homage to our benefactors). Scroll through the videos to find the 'live' stream. This facility was made possible by the Lottery Community Fund grant.

### **A warm welcome**

New to the parish or already with us but have changed your address, telephone number, or email address? You are invited to complete a Parishioner form and return it the office. And, if you're not already signed-up to and are interested in Planned Giving or Gift Aid, please speak to Felicity or Elaine.

### **Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Summer Camps**

There will be three Summer Camps this year all taking place at Grangehurst House, Buckfast Abbey;

- **Senior Camp** (School years 7 to 10) 5 nights from **28<sup>th</sup> July to 2<sup>nd</sup> August** – cost £250
- **St Petroc's** (School Years 11 and 12) 2 nights from **31<sup>st</sup> July to 2<sup>nd</sup> August** – cost £100
- **Junior Camp** (School Years 3 to 6) 4 nights from **4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> August** – cost £200.

Please see the leaflets at the back of church or visit: [www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/summer-camps/](http://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/summer-camps/)

### **Caritas Anniversary Newsletter**

This May marks the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Caritas Diocese of Plymouth's launch. Read about the work they have done and continue to do [here](#).

### **A Year of Encounter**

With a UK general election due sometime this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. *A Year of Encounter* is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see [//cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://cafod.org.uk/encounter) for more information.

### **Priory School Request**

Our primary school, Priory School, would like to set up a prayer group for children to study the weekly gospel, and have asked for a volunteer or two to lead the group. It's a wonderful way to foster closer relations between school and parish. If you feel you could support this request, please contact Vicky in the parish office. Thank you.

### **NEW OFFICE TIMES**

**The Parish Office is open from 8.45am to 3pm, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.**

**Art Exhibition and Prayer Walk  
Plymouth Cathedral 18th-24th May**

*'Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise from the end of the earth! Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the coastlands and their inhabitants.'* Isaiah 42: 9

Come and see artwork from our young people about care for our common home and take part in a self-guided time of spiritual reflection.

**St Rita's of Cascia Feast Day on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 at St Rita's Centre, Honiton**

Principal Celebrant: Father John Dockerty

The day will begin with Mass at 12 noon followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. Two shops will be open that day for sale of religious articles; you can also make your orders on our website [www.stritascentre.org](http://www.stritascentre.org) and collect your items on site on the feast day. Hot drinks will be available all day, but visitors should bring a packed lunch. The day concludes with Benediction at 3 pm.

We would advise early arrival as car parking can be difficult if you arrive after 11.30am. Car parking stewards will be on duty to help you and there will be a small army of volunteers working in various places helping to ensure a smooth running of the day and a happy feast day for everyone.

If you have any questions, please contact Krista Radzina on 01404 42635.

**A Creative Workshop with Art & Energy  
Monday 20th May 12.00pm-4.00pm**

*'Creation is a ...marvellous gift that God has given us, so that we will take care of it and harness it for the benefit of all.'* Pope Francis

Everyone is invited to drop in - even if just for a few minutes - to add to a mass participation artwork – [Mossy Carpet](#). Creating this artwork will help us to consider how small actions can make a huge change, and how our Christian faith calls us to be part of the restoration of nature in a time of climate and ecological crisis. If you would like more information please email [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk).

**Seeds of Hope Talk**

**Monday 20th May 6.00pm-8.00pm**

*'O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.'*  
Psalm 24:1-2

Join us for an evening of discussion and reflection about how we are called to be stewards of creation workshop on care for the environment. We shall be joined by John Paul de Quay from the Ecological Conversion Group <https://theecg.org/>. Free pasty supper included. Registration essential. Click the link to register.

**Confirmation Workshop**

Are you involved in supporting young people as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation? Do you have experience in running Confirmation groups? Are you planning to run a group? Please join us, a group of Catechists who have been sharing prayer, reflection and study on the Sacrament of Confirmation, as we consider some of the approaches and principles involved. The workshop will include a video presentation with Maria Quinn and Fr Jonathan Stewart, on the GIFT model, and we will reflect on the principles involved in supporting young people who are undertaking the sacrament.

To register: please contact [deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk)

**Date:** Saturday, 25th May 2024

**Time:** 11.30 - 15.00

**Venue:** St Peter's RC Church, 15 St Boniface Lane, Crownhill, Plymouth PL5 3AX

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Crediton, Sunday 9th of June, St Boniface Church, Park Rd, Crediton**

The pilgrimage will be presided over by Canon Paul Cummins. Parishioners are warmly invited to the celebration of the Feast of Saint Boniface, Patron of our Diocese.

Pilgrims are invited to gather from 4:00 PM at the Church for Vespers and Benediction. Light refreshments will be provided. For further information, please see poster or e-mail [crediton@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:crediton@prcdtr.org.uk). Parking is available nearby for coaches.

**Charismatic Renewal**

**St Cuthbert's Conference Centre, Buckfast Abbey 10am-6pm Saturday 29th June.**

Jesus is in the house! (Mark 2:1) Come and encounter Him

A day of encounter for all ages; experience joyful praise and worship, ways of connecting to God's voice, prayer from the heart, workshops, prayer ministry, Adoration, and Mass.

Hot/cold drinks included, optional two course lunch or bring your own packed lunch.

Tickets available from Eventbrite [https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/jesus-is-in-the-house-mark-21-tickets-871769073767?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete&keep\\_tld=1](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/jesus-is-in-the-house-mark-21-tickets-871769073767?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete&keep_tld=1). We want to make the day as accessible as possible for everyone so there is also a 'pay what you can' option for tickets.

Please contact [info@swccr.org.uk](mailto:info@swccr.org.uk) for more information or if you have any questions.

We're really looking forward to sharing the day with as many of you as possible!