



Church of The Most Precious Blood
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4th Week of Advent B Psalter 4

Saturday 19 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass O Radix Jesse	
Sunday 20 th	10:30am	4 th Sunday of Advent O Clavis David	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 21 st	ó	O Oriens	
Tuesday 22 nd	10:00am	Weekday of Advent O Rex Gentium	
Wednesday 23 rd	10:00am	Weekday of Advent O Emmanuel	<i>Private Int.</i>

The Season of Christmastide

Thursday 24th	7:00pm	Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord
	Midnight	Midnight Nativity of the Lord
Friday 25th	9:00am	The Nativity of the Lord
	10:30am	The Nativity of the Lord



Private Int.
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Octave of Christmas B Psalter 1

Saturday 26 th	5:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 27 th	10:30am	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Monday 28 th	ó	
Tuesday 29 th	10:00am	St Thomas Becket
Wednesday 30 th	10:00am	Sixth Day of the Christmas Octave
Thursday 31 st	10:00am	Seventh Day of the Christmas Octave
Friday 1 st	10:00am	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

For all mothers

2nd Week in Christmastide Psalter 2

Saturday 2 nd	5:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 3 rd	10:30am	2 nd Sunday after the Nativity
Monday 4 th	ó	
Tuesday 5 th	7:00pm	Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord
Wednesday 6 th	10:00am	The Epiphany of the Lord
Thursday 7 th	10:00am	Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany
Friday 8 th	10:00am	Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany



Olive & Bill Mahoney R.I.P.

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Brenda Jupp, Chris Jupp, Brian Lesaux, Andy deKlerk, Geraldine Page, Mary Wallace, Clifford Brown, Christopher Brown, Irene Ulucki, Tom Clarke, Suzanne Hosker, Daphne Adams, John Chase, Sister Bernadette, Brian Slattery, Judith Banks, Marita and Rex Anstis, Mary Lewis, Ursula Layland, Adam Smith, Kath Welch.

Christmas Masses – please contact the parish office for the Zoom link if you wish to join us for the 7pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass or 10:30am Christmas Morning Mass ó these are a different link to the normal Sunday morning Mass! Midnight Mass and 9am Christmas Morning will be streamed live on facebook.

If you are joining us in person for one of our Christmas Masses, please remember to **wrap up warm** (it gets very chilly but we have to keep the doors open!) and **arrive in plenty of time**. Remember, doors will open half an hour before Mass begins, and we ask that you make sure to arrive at least 10 mins before Mass to be sure of your place. During those last 10 mins we will be offering any remaining empty places to people who have not booked, so if you arrive fewer than 10 minutes before Mass, you risk your booked place having been given to someone else. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Virtual coffee after Mass on Zoom on Sunday mornings ó looking forward to seeing those who would like to after Mass this Sunday (20th). We'll be having a break next Sunday (27th), but then back again on Sunday 3rd January. All welcome, as ever; just let us know if you need the log in details.

Thank you to those who gave in their **Red Box** – a wonderful total of £752!

An evening of **Christmas Entertainment** – Saturday 2nd January at 6:30pm on Zoom. Please contact the office for log in details. Come and celebrate Christmas!

Christmas cards ó please don't leave cards for other parishioners at the back of church, nor put them through the presbytery front door. Due to covid regulations we're not able to give them out or leave them lying around, and we'd hate for all your good Christmas wishes to go astray.

SVP would like to thank Children's Liturgists, Michael, Kezia and Emma and the children of the parish who joined the zoom workshop and created beautiful hand crafted cards and tree decorations for distribution to sick and housebound parishioners. They are very appreciated and bring such joy to those who receive them.

Judith Banks sends grateful thanks to Fr Paul and Fr Paddy and all who offered prayers, sent cards and messages for her recovery following surgery. Also thanks to Peter and Christine for keeping everyone updated. To have such a wonderful amount of support has been a great comfort. My sincere thanks to you all, Mass will be offered for your intentions. With love, Judith x

We are all called to **Welcome the Stranger** but many people are unsure how they can help others during this time of continued lockdown. Caritas has produced a Christmas Newsletter which offers some practical suggestions for action and links to prayer resources. <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Caritas-at-Christmas-Newsletter-2020.pdf>

Plymouth Diocese is looking for a **Diocesan Schools Commission Administrator**. This part-time post is based at St Boniface House with some home working. Job description and application form from recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk application deadline Mon 4th Jan

The **assisted suicide** lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link: <https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

Ave Maria Crisis Pregnancy Support has launched in the Plymouth Diocese to offer a listening ear and support to those with an unexpected pregnancy, worried about coping with another baby, who have been confronted with a diagnosis of potential fatal foetal abnormality, as well as to women suffering after a miscarriage or experiencing regret or remorse after an abortion or any other similar situation. Their support line is open 7 days per week between 7.30pm ó 9.30pm on 01752 916076

Parishioners' Offerings: Cash and Cheques £172.32, of which £77.31 is Gift Aided
Standing Orders £486.62, of which £412.88 is Gift Aided

Please make all cheques payable to **RC Church Sidmouth**

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Hall Bookings St Teresa's Hall is closed to the public until further notice

Parish Safeguarding Reps Una Cunningham 01404 815036 or 07549 332350

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*Wishing you and all those
you love a very happy and
holy Christmas,
with love and prayers,
Fr Paul and Fr Paddy*



Things to pray for this week

Expectant Mothers

- For all who are waiting for a birth; may they be given patience and strength
- For all who work in maternity units and with mothers; may they always be recognized and cherish the gift of life

Pope Francis' intention for January

- Human fraternity – may the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another and open to all.