



**Church of The Most Precious Blood
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Third week of Lent B Psalter 3

Saturday	5:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	10:30am	Third Sunday of Lent
Monday	10:00am	Monday of the Third Week of Lent
Tuesday	6:00pm	Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent
Wednesday	7:00pm	Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent
Thursday	9:00am	Thursday of the Third Week of Lent
Friday	10:00am	Friday of the Third Week of Lent

Private Int.

Nora Ashmore R.I.P.

Confessions After weekday Mass or by appointment

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Joyce Long, Connie Loebell, Mary Wallace, Clifford Brown, Christopher Brown, Eileen Brown, Suzanne Hosker, Rebecca Warren-Heys, Sister Bernadette, Gilda Wachala, Jim Lock, Anne Sanderson, Adam Smith, Ann Scudamore and Kath Welch.

Welcome to all our visitors; we hope you have a lovely stay in Sidmouth. Please join us in the hall after Sunday Mass for tea and coffee. Don't forget to visit the Traidcraft stall and the parish library too!

LENT this week		
<u>Sunday 4th</u>		
Coffee & Catechesis	11:30am	Hall
<u>Wednesday 7th</u>		
Ecumenical Lunch	11:45am	St Francis Church
Narrated Mass	7pm	Church
<u>Friday 9th</u>		
Stations of the Cross	6pm	Church

Welcome to LENT...

A reminder that during Lent we will begin weekend Masses with a **gathering hymn** after the bell has rung. There will then be a period of silence to allow for personal reflection and preparation. The priests and servers will then enter in silence and Mass will begin.

Please join us after Sunday Mass for **Coffee and Catechesis** in the hall. Fr Paul will give a short talk on the sacrament of Reconciliation, with opportunity for questions and discussion.

Please note that **Mass on Wednesday** is at 7pm and will be narrated. This week is the first in a series of three narrated Masses, and forms an essential part of the Confirmation programme. During the Mass, Fr Paul will pause and explain the different sections and aspects, which will help us all gain a better understanding and appreciation of the beauty and essence of our celebration of Mass; the source and summit of our Christian life.

Thank you all for your generous support of **CAFOD Lent Fast Day**. As money is still coming in, we will let you know the final total next week. Thank you for fasting in solidarity, and please keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers throughout Lent.

Things to pray for this week

Pope Francis' Intentions for March

- Formation in Spiritual Discernment – that the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.
- For those called to the Easter sacraments, that they may find joy in the love of the Lord.

Ladies Guild - there will be a meeting on Monday 5th March starting at 2pm, followed by a Beetle Drive which should be good fun, so I am told. Do hope you can join us, *Janice*

Knit and Natter is meeting this Tuesday (6th) 2-4pm in the Presbytery Meeting Room and again on Tuesday 20th March. Come and join us! You don't have to knit or just come for the natter, or bring something else along to do or anything goes! We have tea and cake, too or no charge. We normally meet on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Any queries, please phone Jill on 01395 512745.

APF mission Red Boxes are due to be counted. Please would you kindly leave them in the sacristy (not the church porch for security reasons). The last day for the boxes will be Friday 6th April

Fairtrade fortnight Monday 26th February or Sunday 11th March or see flyers in the porch for more details.

All God's creation is very good! Next prayer weekend starts 7pm, Friday 2nd March. To book yourself a slot visit <https://www.24-7prayer.com/signup/067d77>. As part of the weekend we will be supporting a street/beach clean on Saturday 3rd March, 2-4pm. For more details, email sidmouthprayerroom@gmail.com or contact Julie on 0756 2767247.

Denis McBride's moving **Stations of the Cross Then and Now DVD** is available to borrow from the parish office. This contrasts the traditional stations with modern images, challenges us to link Jesus's story to the struggle of our everyday life. Well worth an hour of your time this Lent.

Fr Christopher's Quiet day on Saturday 10th March in the Violet Evelyn Hall at the Southgate Retreat Centre. *'This is my commandment, love one another...but love has its enemies'*. 10am to 3pm. Mass will be celebrated as part of the day and there will be an opportunity for quiet prayer, group discussions and confession. £15, to include refreshments and a light lunch. Booking forms from the parish office.

March for Life in Parliament Square, Saturday 5th May 2018. There is a coach picking up from Exeter services at 8am. Please help yourselves to flyers in the porch for more information.

Finance meeting 10am on Saturday 10th March, followed by **PPC meeting** 11:30am on Saturday 10th March

Monday	Rosary before Mass or starts at 9:35am
Tuesday	Mothers Prayer Group 10:30am in the Presbytery Fortnightly prayer group at Fr Paddy's 7pm
Thursday	Knit and Natter on each first and third Tuesday of the month 2-4pm in the Presbytery Marian Prayer Group in St Teresa's Hall 7-8pm
Friday	Choir Practice in the church from 4.45pm
Saturday	On the last Saturday of the month choir practice is usually at 11am in the church

<u>Next Weekend (10th/11th March)</u>	5:30pm Vigil	10:30am	Readings
Reader 1	Peter McGauley	Andrew Torjussen	<i>2Chr 26:14-16, 19-23</i>
Reader 2	Judith Banks	Francesca Osbaldeston	<i>Eph 2:4-10</i>
Ciborium	Catherine Defoe	Monica Walton	
Eucharistic Chalice	Mary Turner	Rose MacQueen	
Welcomers	Beryl Evans	Alan Herbert	
	Anne Reece	John Larter	
	Mary Spittel	Gwen Larter	
Cleaners	Maureen Lamb & Pauline Brown		
Counters on 5th	Gwen & John Larter		
Flowers	No flowers in Lent		
Hall Refreshments	Jill & Peter McGauley		
Last week's collections	Gift Aid £191.50	Cash £285.71	CAFOD £236.25
Newsletter	Rebecca 513340		
Hall Bookings	Gwen & John Larter 579773 or email: rchallsidmouth@aol.com		

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