

ST BONIFACE CHURCH, CREDITON

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Sunday Mass: 9.30am

D A T E S & N E W S

Sunday 5th February 2023 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Sunday 12th February 2023 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Pope's February Universal Intention For parishes. We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

IMPORTANT: Pastoral message to the community at the Shrine of St Boniface, Crediton, which was read out at Mass on Sunday 29th January, is attached.

CTiC Prayer Course An eight week journey through the Lord's Prayer at the Boniface Centre on Monday evenings starting on 6th February, running into Lent. It is based on Pete Greig's recent book 'How to Pray - A Simple Guide for Normal People'. All welcome. Margaret Gibson.

The next **PPC Meeting** will be Tuesday 7th February, 7.30pm. Please send any agenda items to Nicola: NicolaNathan63@yahoo.com.

Cost of Living Crisis – How can we help? Caritas Diocese of Plymouth is running an online lunchtime event on Thursday 9th February, 12 noon - 12.40pm to share resources that parishes and groups can use to support people who may be struggling. The event will offer participants useful links and ideas to signpost those who may be looking for help and advice about crisis grants, and to share your local insights and offer suggestions and where you think people might welcome further guidance. Register at <https://forms.office.com/e/ScddxBXVMu>.

The Diocese of Plymouth are holding a LOUDfence at Christ the King Church in Plymouth, Wednesday 15th - Friday 17th February. A LOUDfence is a visible display of support and solidarity with those who have been affected by abuse. We want to show survivors of abuse that we hear you, we believe you and that we are here to support you. Attendees will be encouraged to tie a ribbon to a fence which could also include a message of support. The event is open to everyone, and the LOUDfence will be in place at the front of Christ the King church from 2pm on Wednesday 15th February until 4:30pm on Friday 17th February, for ribbons and messages to be added. Members of the safeguarding team will be present during working hours. Here is a full schedule of events for the LOUDfence: **Wednesday 15th February at 2pm** – Opening of the LOUDfence. Speakers: Fr Mark Skelton (Clergy Lead for Safeguarding) and Antonia Sobocki (LOUDfence). **Thursday 16th February** – LOUDfence open all day. **Friday 17th February** – LOUDfence open until 4:30pm. A Survivors Mass will be held at 12 noon, celebrated by Fr Mark Skelton. If you are unable to attend the LOUDfence but would like to send a message of support for this, please visit: <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/vicariate-for-safeguarding-and-pastoral-care/loudfence/> and complete the online form, or send an e-mail to: sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth's January newsletter can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/2jd785ws>

The Next Meeting with the Children (0-16) on Thursday 16th February, 10 - 11.30am, for games, craft and preparation for our Mass on Sunday 19th February. Drink and biscuits provided. Hope to see lots of you there. Nicola.

Keeping Crediton Warm. We have a regular group of 14 people coming on a Tuesday for company, a hot meal, fun and a warm space to be. All are welcome to join us, 2-6pm.

Ignatian Silent Individually Guided Retreats

LENTEN RETREATS

Feb 24th – 26th (Fri – Sun) Weekend Retreat

Feb 27th – 3rd March (Mon – Fri) Midweek

Retreat

Feb 24th – 3rd March (Fri - Fri) 6-day retreat.

Venue: St Rita's Centre Honiton, East Devon.

A well-appointed retreat house with comfortable ensuite accommodation situated in the Vale of Honiton.

SUMMER RETREATS

Jun 30th – 2nd July (Fri - Sun) Weekend

Retreat

July 3rd – 7th July (Mon - Fri) Midweek

Retreat

Jun 30th – 7th July (Fri - Fri) 6-day Retreat

Venue: Sclerder Abbey, nr Looe, Cornwall.

The retreat house in its tranquil setting and with a large garden and pleasant rural walks nearby is situated near Looe in Cornwall.

Cost includes full board & lodging. Recommended donation: Weekend Retreat £140; Midweek Retreat £240; 6 – day Retreat £450. Please contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637 for further information or booking form.

St Rita's Shop in Honiton is offering Lent Easter religious articles, and we hope parishioners might find this Lent Easter range inspiring. I think you will find St. Rita's shop prices very competitive. You can find our shop online at www.stritascentre.shop with many more items for sale, such as books, statues, holy pictures, etc. Orders can be made online www.stritascentre.shop, by email: shop@stritascentre.org or by phone 01404 42635.

Lent Sessions. Rev Alison Richardson is inviting everyone with online access to the following Lent Sessions on Wednesday evenings: 'Kingdom Discipleship' by Rev David Bagwell - March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th at 7.30pm. Resources available to download: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/downloads/disc-kingdom-discipleship-course-240810.pdf>. Please contact Rev Alison directly on 01363 777308 to join.

This year's **World Day of Prayer** will take place at Crediton Congregational Church, on Friday 3rd March, at 2pm, followed by refreshments. Everyone very welcome. Cath Fitzgerald.

Flame 2023 Join Youth Events at Wembley Stadium on Saturday 4th March 2023. Tickets are £35 which includes entry and travel to Wembley. Coaches will pick up from locations in Dorset and Devon. It's a great chance to hear from speakers like Robert Bilott, singer/songwriter Adenike and award winner Guvna B. This is the largest Catholic gathering in England and Wales for those aged 14 to 21. It's not just for Catholics, anyone interested is welcome to come. Contact Saskia or Michelle by emailing youth@prcdtr.org.uk



PARISHES NEEDED FOR THE GREAT BIG DIOCESAN QUIZ

Friday 28th April

Q & As supplied by the CCS (Plymouth)

If you would like to make up a Crediton parish team, please contact Chris Wale 07583 892711 / chw212@btinternet.com

Please help to raise funds by organising a quiz night and joining in with a number of other parishes across the Diocese answering the same questions at the same time.

Attachments:

Pastoral message.

Dipping into the Catechism 5 and 12 February.

Newsletter: Deadline for newsletter items is noon on TUESDAYS. Please send items to kqutans@gmail.com/07958334930/0136382266

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