

CATHOLIC EXETER



Parishes of Sacred Heart and Blessed Sacrament
25 September 2022 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Yr C. Psalter Wk2



Worldly and earthly possessions are of no benefit in the afterlife

Fr Anil writes: The Gospel of today is a parable discovering the realities of man's paradise. Jesus tells us about the divine reward or retribution we shall have depending upon our behaviour. Whoever relies on God will not be disappointed or be in want when everything around them dries up or disappears. God will not only be their consolation but their inexhaustible source of joy as well.

Despite a life of misfortune and suffering, Lazarus did not lose hope in God. His eyes were set on a treasure stored up for him in heaven while the rich man, however, could not see beyond his material wealth and possessions.

Today, we are presented with the need to listen to God in this life, convert ourselves and take advantage of the time He offers us. God will eventually call us to account. Do you know the joy and freedom of possessing God as your true and lasting treasure? Those who put their hope and security in heaven will not be disappointed. It's hard to train ourselves to seek first the Kingdom of God, but this is an important door opener for blessings. Blessed are we when we trust in the Lord, running to him first, even though things look bleak or impossible, for with God nothing is impossible. Amen.

MASS TIMES SACRED HEART



Sunday 25 September – 26th in Ordinary Time

World Day of Migrants & Refugees

5.30pm (Sat) *People of the Parish*

9.15am *Andrew Crane RIP*

11.15am *Private Intention*

5.00-6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

Monday 26 Sept

10.00am *For Pakistan*

Tuesday 27 Sept - St Vincent de Paul, Priest

NO 10.00am Mass

12.00 noon *Celebration of Priesthood Plymouth Cathedral*

Wednesday 28 Sept

10.00am *For the Legion of Mary*

Thursday 29 Sept – SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Archangels

6.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7.00pm *For the sick*

Friday 30 Sept – St Jerome, Priest & Doctor

10.00am *For Ukraine*

Saturday 1 Oct – St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor

10.00am *Intentions of the CWL*

Sunday 2 October – 26th in Ordinary Time

5.30pm (Sat) *Irene Spicer RIP*

9.15am *People of the Parish*

11.15am *For Ukraine*

5.00-6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

Confessions

Saturdays after 10.00am Mass and 4.00–5.00pm and on reasonable request.

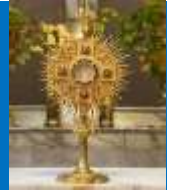
Live stream Mass

To access the YouTube stream please [click here](#).

Refreshments served after Masses on Sunday (9.15am) Tuesday & Saturday.

Church open for private prayer from 9.30am until 6.00pm each day.

MASS TIMES BLESSED SACRAMENT



Sunday 25 September – 26th in Ordinary Time

World Day of Migrants & Refugees.

Aid to the Church in Need Appeal

8.45am *Peggy Webber RIP*

10.45am *Private Intention*

6.00pm *People of the Parish*

Tuesday 27 Sept - St Vincent de Paul, Priest

6.30pm *Migrants & refugees*

Wednesday 28 Sept

9.30am *Bill Hayman RIP*

Thursday 29 Sept – SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

9.30am *Adrian Jenkinson RIP*

Friday 30 Sept – St Jerome, Priest & Doctor

6.30pm *Sick & housebound of the parish*

Saturday 1 October – St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor

9.30am *People of Pakistan*

Sunday 2 October – 26th in Ordinary Time

8.45am *Fr P J Sammon RIP*

10.45am *People of the Parish*

6.00pm *People of Ukraine*

Confessions

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass and on reasonable request.

Live stream Mass

To access the YouTube stream please click [here](#).

Refreshments

Served after 10.45am Mass on Sunday and 9.30am Mass on Wednesday.

If you would be willing to be on a rota to serve refreshments after the 10.45am Mass on Sundays we would love to hear from you. Please contact the Parish Office.

NEWS & EVENTS



Aid to the Church in Need

This Sunday, 25 September, Steve Riedlinger, Community Outreach for Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) will be visiting Blessed Sacrament parish. ACN support the suffering and persecuted Church around the world with over 5000 projects in more than 140 countries each year. Steve will be talking about the projects, passing on news from ACN's project partners and sharing how we can help in prayer and giving.

[Visit Aid to the Church in Need website.](#)

A message from the King

In a meeting with the Cardinal, His majesty King Charles III expressed his gratitude to the Catholics of England and Wales for their support and prayers for himself and the repose of the soul of his mother.

To see his full address to faith leaders [Click Here](#)

Murder at Middlemarsh



The Arts Group presents a unique presentation of ***Murder at Middlemarsh***. A Mystery drama, devised and written by members of the Arts Group. An intriguing play revolving around the residents of the fictitious village of Middlemarsh. Members of both parishes are invited to watch these characters in action at the Sacred Heart Parish Rooms on Friday 14 October 7.00 pm, Saturday 15 7.00pm & Sunday 16 October 2.30 p.m. Tickets £5. Refreshments available. Proceeds toward Exeter Waymakers Refugee Resettlement Programme. Tickets from: Gerry Hinton 07970 042641 or Dorf Ruscoe 01404 822689 or by contacting any member of the Group. First come first served, as seating is limited to approx 30.

Stella Maris

Thank you for your recent generous support for seafarers and fishers on Sea Sunday. As a follow up, Catholic charity Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) invites you to join a webinar on Tuesday 27 September from 7.30pm to 9.00pm to learn more about the issue of seafarer abandonment, and how donations like yours on Sea Sunday are supporting those in crisis. If you would like to attend, please register in advance at [this link](#)

Legion of Mary

Fr Kieran has invited representatives from the Legion of Mary to speak at Sacred Heart after Mass this weekend to facilitate this, an initial meeting will be held after Mass in the Lower Room, on Wednesday 28 September at 11.00 am (preceded by coffee at 10.30 am). Those who are interested will need to commit themselves to a weekly meeting during which the Legion prayers and Rosary are recited. Prospective members also undertake to do some work each week on behalf of the parish e.g. visiting or other work allocated by the parish priest.

Caritas Plymouth September Newsletter

Vocations to Priesthood – Day of Reflection

Have you ever asked the question 'Is God calling me to Priesthood or to the Religious life?' This day of reflection for men will be held on Saturday 29 October from 10.00 to 16.00 at Exeter University Catholic Chaplaincy, Glenthorne Road, Exeter, EX4 4QU. The day will include Mass; a time of Adoration; a short conference; an opportunity for Confession and one to one conversations with serving priests from our diocese; reflecting with your peers and sharing food together (this will be provided – please let us know of special dietary requirements). Under 18s are welcome to attend with parents' permission. For further information and to register for the event, please contact Fr Jacek Kostuch on Jacek.Kostuch@prcdtr.org.uk or speak to your Parish Priest by 16 October. We look forward to welcoming you. Please pray for vocations.

Exeter Connect Volunteer Fayre

Thursday 29 September 10.30am - 2.30pm at Exeter Central Library. Find out about local organisations offering a wide range of volunteering opportunities in your community. info@exeterconnect.org.uk 01392 205800. [Visit Exeter Connect website.](#)

National Mass for all Altar Servers

The Central Council of the Guild of St Stephen would like to tell you about the upcoming National Mass. Every other year the Mass is held at Westminster Cathedral in London, the traditional home of the Guild, and that's where we will be on 1 October at 2.30pm. Rt Rev John Sherrington, Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster will be the principal celebrant this year. This is a National Mass for ALL Altar Servers of England and Wales, their families and all those who support them. We'd love to see as many of you as possible attend.



REAL MARRIAGE IS STILL THE ANSWER

From sex education to transgenderism, crime levels to national prosperity, come and hear the evidence for why real marriage is still best for society.

**FREE
ADMISSION**
NO BOOKING
REQUIRED

PUBLIC MEETINGS: SEPTEMBER 2022

26 SEPT | BOURNEMOUTH

The Norfolk
Arundel Oval suite, 11.00am

26 SEPT | EXETER

Mercure Exeter Rougemont Hotel
Burlington Suite, 7.30pm

27 SEPT | TRURO

Truro Cathedral
Assembly Room, 11.00am

27 SEPT | PLYMOUTH

Duke of Cornwall Hotel
Hayward room, 7.30pm

28 SEPT | BARNSTAPLE

The imperial
Kingsley Suite, 11.00am

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [C4M.ORG.UK/SEPTTOUR](https://c4m.org.uk/septtour)

Coalition for Marriage • 8 Marshalsea Road, London, SE1 1HL • admin@c4m.org.uk • [C4M.ORG.UK](https://c4m.org.uk)

Sacred Heart Library

We now have a Parish library. You are warmly invited to take any of our religious/spiritual books home to read on a borrow and return basis. You will find the library in the upper room. We also invite you to bring any appropriate books that you are able to donate. Please feel free to use the library at any time.

Season of Creation 2022

This year's Season of Creation continues until the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October. The Diocese of Plymouth is offering everyone an opportunity to share ideas about what more we can do to care for our common home. To have your say please access [this online survey](#).

Read about Caritas Season of Creation events [here](#)

Exeter Foodbank – September Priority List

September priority items: UHT milk (semi-skimmed, 1 litre), UHT fruit juice (1 litre), tinned fish (tuna), tinned vegetables, tinned potatoes, tinned meat, noodle snacks, tinned custard, sponge puddings, sugar (500g) and fruit squash.

Please ONLY donate items from this list. Thank you for your understanding.

Collection Points - Co-Op (Heavitree/St Thomas); Tesco (Exe Vale); Sainsbury's Alphington/Pinhoe/Guildhall); Waitrose (Gladstone Rd). You can also donate money online [by following this link](#).

Exeter Foodbank is under particular pressure at the moment with an increase in demand from its usual clients as well as the need to support Afghan, Syrian and Ukrainian refugees. Please email Mark at info@exeterfoodbank.org.uk to find out how you can help. <https://exeter.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

Foodbank are also looking for volunteers. Do get in touch if you can help.

Cost of Living help available

Please follow this link to the website of [Exeter City Council](#).

Food Hub

Rediscover Church, Thursdays from 11.00am till 1.00pm - anyone who is struggling with the purchasing of food, can come along and pick up a range of different items to take home for free. For more info: [click here](#) If you have any food you would like to donate or would like to join our team of volunteers email jason.ham@rediscoverchurch.com

GROWING IN FAITH

Wednesday Word Scripture Reflection

Wednesday word meets online via zoom from 2.00-3.00pm. If you would like to join us then, get in touch with Maria: exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk. Come whenever you can you will be most welcome.

I believe, but do I understand?

An opportunity to grow in your faith from Catholic Exeter Forming in Faith.

In this video-based study, Bishop Robert Barron will lead us line-by-line through the elegant, intelligent, and succinct words of the Creed, words that roll off our tongues easily, but are often not fully understood.

Words, such as 'believe', 'one God', 'incarnate', and 'consubstantial', will resonate afresh in your soul and more deeply give voice to your own faith once you experience Bishop Barron's The Creed.

Come to all six or dip in and out each week either way, you will feel inspired and spiritually fed. Please come and join us.

Monday 26 September 10.30am – 12.30pm at Sacred Heart.

Tuesday 27 September 7.00 – 9.00pm at Blessed Sacrament.

GIFT Gateway to the Sacraments

September update

On Saturday 10 September, we met with GIFT and GIFT Youth families to celebrate Mass, socialise and learn about prayer. Both GIFT families and GIFT Youth wrote prayers to contribute to a GIFT Family Prayer Book.

What is Gift?

GIFT is for all families of faith who want to learn about their Catholic faith, meet other families and be supported in their family faith journey. GIFT is the gateway to the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Bedtime Chats can be found on the Blessed Sacrament Website GIFT page: <https://www.blessedsacrament.org.uk/parish-life/gift/>

Next Gift Session Saturday 1 October at St Nicholas Catholic School.

Get in Touch and Register If you would like to join us, please register using the appropriate link below: [GIFT Primary Registration Form](#) and [GIFT Youth Registration Form](#). If you have any questions, please get in touch with Maria exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk

Dipping into the Catechism A response to the Synod

In response to your request to learn more about the teachings of the Catholic Church, each week we offer an excerpt from the Catechism along with a simple explanation. Copies of these are available in church and online. If you would like to further explore the teachings of our faith there are several groups across the diocese that meet locally and online. For more information contact deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk [More sheets available at this link.](#)



Baptism Preparation Course

Are you expecting a baby and/or looking to have your child baptised? We look forward to supporting you in preparation for this important sacrament and welcoming you and your family into the community of the Church. Courses are over two consecutive Saturday mornings from 10.15-12.15 delivered via Zoom.

The next course dates are: **15 and 22 October 2022**, 21 and 28 January, 15 and 22 April, 15 and 22 July and 14 and 21 October 2023.

Godparents are especially welcome to attend the second Saturday session as the role of Godparents is explored. Click on the link at the end of this article to register. If you have any problems accessing this, please contact Lesley in the Blessed Sacrament Parish Office at exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk or on 01392 274724. [Baptism Enquiry form.](#)



St Vincent de Paul (1581 - 1660)

Born in Aquitaine and became a priest, he devoted his whole life to the service of the poor. He founded a congregation of priests for missionary work, groups of laymen to help paupers and galley-slaves. The St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales) an international Christian voluntary network dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need. Founded in Britain in 1844. They extend our hand in the care and personal

service of individuals and families who need support. Our 10,000 members, motivated by faith, visit vulnerable or isolated people across England and Wales and offer them friendship and practical support. The essence of our work is person-to-person contact and spending time with people is our greatest gift.

PRAYER & LITURGY

Pope Francis tweets...

Our models of consumption and production, and our lifestyles, must respect creation and the integral human development of all peoples. Let us renew the covenant between human beings and the environment, a mirror reflecting the creative love of God

Into your hands, Lord

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anthony (Tony) Mace who has died. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am on Friday 7 October at Blessed Sacrament. Tony's coffin will be received into church at 4.30pm on Thursday 6 October. May he rest in peace and rise in glory and may his family be consoled. Please also pray for the repose of the souls of Andrew Crane and Thomas Leahy

Pope's September prayer intention

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country. [The Pope Video](#)

Stronghold Praise & Worship

Join us to praise and worship God in song and music on Thursday 29 September in the St Richard Reynolds Centre at Blessed Sacrament Church at 7.15pm.

We look forward to welcoming you for an evening of praise and worship.

Make a note of future dates: 27 October, 17 November and 15 December

'The one who sings prays twice.' St Augustine

YOUTH

Exeter University Catholic Chaplaincy

If you are going to be studying at the University of Exeter this year, we would like to invite you to come to our Catholic Chaplaincy, located at Boniface House, Glenthorne road, between Moberly and Birks Grange Village halls of residence. You can find more details & directions [at this link](#)

We have a very lively and faith-filled community. Exeter Catholic Society meets weekly at the Catholic Chaplaincy for a range of activities throughout the year, from various socials to talks and society trips, in a really friendly environment where students can grow in faith while having fun and making new friends. Masses at our Catholic Chaplaincy are celebrated on Sundays at 11.30am (followed by a free lunch), Tuesdays at 12.00 (followed by free lunch) and Thursdays at 5.00pm.

For further information on Exeter CathSoc and the events at the Catholic Chaplaincy please go to our [Facebook page](#) or get in touch with the Assistant Chaplain, Maria Giannone, at m.giannone@exeter.ac.uk. We look forward to meeting you!

Catechists, youth leaders and volunteers

Saturday 1 October, 10.00am – 3.30pm at St Rita's, Honiton. This is a great chance for all who work with the youth in our diocese to get together and share experiences and ideas. There will be a guest speaker, Ben Slater from Five Ways who will talk about supporting young people living with neurodiversity. Lunch is provided. [Booking at this link](#) is essential, or email Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

World Youth Day Lisbon 2023

Will you be 17+ in August 2023? Pope Francis calls all young adults to join him in Pilgrimage to Lisbon in 2023. [World Youth Day Website](#)

catholic@university.org New website to help young people find their Catholic chaplaincy when they arrive at college or university this autumn.

THE WORD

Sunday 25 September – 26th in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Amos 6:1. 4-7

Those who sprawl and those who bawl will be exiled.

Psalm Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second Reading – 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Do all that you have been told until the Appearing of the Lord.

Gospel – Luke 16:19-31

Good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus.

Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony.

Sunday 2 October – 27th in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

The upright man will live by his faithfulness.

Psalm Response: O that today you would listen to his voice!

Harden not your hearts.

Second Reading – 2 Timothy 1:6-8. 13-14

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

Gospel – Luke 17:5-19 *If only you had faith!*

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Useful links

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[Churches Together Exeter News](#)

[Churches Together England News.](#)

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