



The Catenian Association - Exeter Circle
Strengthening family life through friendship and faith

**‘Practicing Catholic between your 16th and 25th birthday?
 Thinking of helping on a Lourdes Pilgrimage or similar project?’**

The Catenian Association Bursary Fund may be able to help you financially. The Catenians are an organisation of Catholics founded to promote friendship and support, and to strengthen Catholic family life. It is a lay organisation and strictly non-political. Further details, contact David Gale (07977 411121) or Bob Bannister.

You can access all the links easily via our online newsletter.

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The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity

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The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity



St Mary's Church, Axminster, EX13 5BE



SS Michael & George Church, Lyme Regis, DT7 3HS



St Augustine's Church, Seaton, EX12 2AJ

Sunday 12 March 2023 Third Sunday of Lent

‘O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.’

Mass Readings:

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7
 Responsorial Psalm: 94

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2,5-8
 Gospel: John 4:5-42

Mass times	Mass intentions
Sun 12 March <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i> Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	Grzegorz Kostuch RIP
Tues 14 March Axminster 7pm	Pam Cooke int's
Wed 15 March Seaton 10am Mass Stations of the Cross	Jon Bielawski int's
Thu 16 March Lyme Regis 10am Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11:30am	Dennis Miskell RIP
Fri 17 March <i>St Patrick Bp</i> <i>Missionary Patron Saint of Ireland - FEAST</i> Axminster 10am Lyme Regis 7pm Stations of the Cross Axminster 8pm Stations of the Cross Malayalam	Oscar Ardila int's
Sat 18 March <i>1st Mass of Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> National Child Exploitation Awareness day Seaton 5.30pm	Dermott Lyons int's
Sun 19 March <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	Gramia Frazier RIP FM Rev. Bernard FW Pearse RIP

Confessions: Saturday - Axminster from 10:45 - 12:00
 Weekdays - during Eucharistic Adoration as above, otherwise by arrangement.

The Pope's prayer intention for March

For victims of abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Matthew Waters and Liz Berry.



Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion

The next session of this year's programme is at Axminster on Sunday 19 March. Please continue to pray in support of our children and parents.

Confession at Axminster on 25 March

Mgr. Can. Keith Mitchell will be visiting Axminster to hear confessions on Saturday 25 March, 10:30 - 12:00.

Maundy Thursday

We are looking for volunteers to participate in the washing of feet at Seaton on Maundy Thursday. Please speak to Fr Jacek if you can help.

60 Club Subscriptions for 2023 are due on 1st April. If you are not a member of the Club, now is your chance to join for 2023/2024. Speak to Julie or Fr Jacek, or pick up an application form at the back of the church.



Welcomers needed at Seaton

We are looking for a few more welcomers to join the rota at St Augustine's. If you are able to help, please speak to David O'Brien or Monica Watts-Hint

Stations of the Cross – we will celebrate this traditional liturgy twice a week in Lent, once during the day and once in the evening.

If you would like to lead one of these please contact Fr Jacek. There is a choice of texts – these will be provided on request.



Missio boxes are available to collect at Axminster.

Please see Joe after Mass.

Caritas March Newsletter

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth's March newsletter is now available to read online. <https://tinyurl.com/yjmvuwmj> or contact the parish office for a paper copy.



Reflection for 3rd Sunday of Lent

Who was the woman in today's Gospel? We don't know much about her, but the fact that she had many husbands may indicate that she either led a very promiscuous life, or she was simply looking for happiness and could not find it. She was a lost, lonely person whose life was tangled. Do we see a similarity in her? We all crave the love of another person, and we often find disappointment and loneliness. We want good and happiness, and we do evil that brings chaos and suffering.

We want to satisfy our thirst with the 'water of this world', we are constantly offered temptations: fleeting romances, pornography, constant partying, drowning problems in alcohol and drugs, encouraged to update our appearances, focus on success and lifestyle. This 'water', however, does not quench the thirst of the heart. Do we feel it? Do we believe Jesus? He gives concrete instructions on how to reach the source of living water. We have the sacraments, especially the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which opens our hearts to our desires; and most importantly there is Jesus Christ, who gave his life so that we would not die of thirst.

God, You desire worshippers who will worship You in truth. May the Holy Spirit teach me how to stand in the truth about myself, not to pretend to be better or worse than I really am. Amen.

Mass in Malayalam - Friday 24 March

There will be Mass in Malayalam at 7:30pm. An opportunity is offered for confessions in Malayalam from 6:30pm

National Novena to St Joseph 11 -19 March, St Joseph's Church, Maidenhead.

Each year, Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their society patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. Masses will be available on zoom via www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or request a Novena prayer booklet – write to the Novena Director at 6 Coly Gardens, Maidenhead, SL6 7GZ, phone 01628 673178 or email novenamhm@gmail.com

Hospital visits

If you are going into hospital as a patient and would like a Catholic Priest to visit during your stay please let us know or in an emergency ask someone to give consent for a visit on your behalf otherwise we are unable to visit.

St Rita's Shop for Easter

St Rita's in Honiton is offering Lent and Easter religious articles which we hope you will find inspiring - and their prices are very competitive. View the range and shop online at www.stritascentre.shop, by email at shop@stritascentre.org or by phone 01404 42635