

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. For further details, contact David Gale (07977 411121) or Bob Bannister.



*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 16 July 2023

‘Some seed fell into rich soil and produced it's crop.’

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

Responsorial Psalm: 64

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

Hospital visits If you are going into hospital 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.

Giving QR codes

Scan the code on the left to give to the main
Parish of The Most Holy Trinity account.

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Lyme Regis Restoration Fund account.



The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity

Priest in Charge: Father Jacek Kostuch

The Priest's House

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Parish office hours

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	Mass times	Mass intentions
Sunday 16 July 15th Sunday of OT	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am Axminster 4pm (Malayalam) Confessions 3:30pm	Parish intentions Int. Renia (<i>Urodziny</i>)
Mon 17 July	No Mass	
Tues 18 July	No Mass	
Wed 19 July	Seaton 10am	
Thu 20 July <i>St Apollinaris Bp M</i>	Lyme Regis 10am Followed by Adoration	int. PSCF benefactors and recipients
Fri 21 July	9am - St Mary's Primary School End of Year School Mass All welcome	For the pupils, staff and their families, with bless- ings for their holidays.
Sat 22 July <i>Feast : St Mary Magdalene</i>	Seaton 5:30pm	Int. Matthew WATERS <i>in sickness</i>
Sunday 23 July 16th Sunday of OT <i>World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly</i>	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	Int. For grandparents both living and those who have died Parish intentions
Confessions: Saturday - Axminster from 10:45 - 12:00, or by arrangement.		

The Pope's Prayer Intention for July

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



Sea Sunday collection

Thank you to all who donated to the second collection for Sea Sunday last weekend. We raised £259.80 To donate online visit www.stellamaris.org.uk

The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity Flower Festival: 3 - 4 August St. Augustine's, Seaton.



Calling all bakers! If you are able to bake a batch of scones or a cake for the afternoon teas, please see Monica or Fr Jacek after Mass, or contact Julie or Angela in the parish office.

Please see the leaflet at the back of the church, as there are many ways in which you can help. **Don't forget also to save the date to come along to the festival with family and friends. Thank you for your continued support!**

Seaton Foodbank update

The Seaton Foodbank helped 11 adults and 6 children last week, providing them with 357 meals. Shortages this week are now tinned cold meat, honey, savoury biscuits, sponge puddings, small boxes/ bottles of washing powder /liquid and washing up liquid.



Many thanks to parishioners for your generosity to all our local foodbanks.

As we start the holiday period

We welcome all who are visiting at this time – wishing you all a restful, happy and memorable stay. We pray that it will be a time when you are renewed spiritually and physically.

For all pupils and school staff – may this summer holiday be for you a time when you can stop and reflect and renew your strengths for the new academic year.

For all who are travelling over this holiday period may you journey and return safely to your homes.

With every best wish and blessing.

Pope Francis has called our youth to join him in Portugal for World Youth Day 26 July to 7 August.

As a diocese we are taking a group of 28 to join in the celebrations. Regular updates during the pilgrimage can be found on Facebook: Diocese of Plymouth Youth Events and on Instagram: dop_youth.

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

Reflection

The Word of God is like a seed - Great crowds, great delight, beautiful parables that change nothing. Why not ? ... because our hearts are still idle, limp, ears deaf, eyes blind.

We do not want to see, hear, understand, yield to the action of God's Word, we don't convert. So how can we experience healing if we respond in this way? The Word of God is not forceful or invasive so it will not act against our inactivity of heart and resistant will. So what if we listen, if we even read the Word, if we remain intransigent, if we don't want to change anything in ourselves!

The Word of God is like a seed. It has everything it needs to germinate, bloom and grow. The soil for sowing is our responsibility. Do we complain that birds come and take the grain? Let's prepare the soil away from the road.

Are we complaining about the sun? Let's till the soil deeply and remove the stones.

Do we complain about thorns? Let's gather them and burn them in the fire.

The Word of God today is challenging me and you to change our lifestyle, replace sinful habits with ones that will be edifying. Let us not expose ourselves to the action of evil by playing with temptations. This is the way we prepare the soil of our hearts for the Word of God so that it can flourish and bring us flourishing.

Lord Jesus, today I am not looking for excuses for the mediocrity in which I live. I blame the lack of fruit on everything around me when the problem is my idle heart and my will that will not yield. I want to change. I want to change with help from You. Amen.

An 8 year old's explanation of what a Grandma is (and Grandpa gets a mention too)

She is a sort of woman who doesn't have any children of her own but is very loving to little boys and little girls who are children belonging to other people. Grandpa is also a grandma but he is a man. Boys enjoying going for walks with him when he will talk to them about fishing and things like that.

Grandma's don't have much to do so they can come and visit often. Grandma's are old and so they can't really run and skip a lot. But they can take me to the fair and then they need to have a lot of money to buy us lollipops and pay for the rides. When Grandma takes us on a walk we will stop frequently to look at the trees, leaves and caterpillars. She never makes us hurrry. Grandma wears glasses and she has teeth that she can take out and put them back again. Grandma doesn't have to be too bright as long as he can answer questions such as for example: why dogs chase cats? or where insects have their heads? When I ask Grandma to read a book with me she doesn't miss any of the pages and she doesn't say that we have already read the book.

I think everyone should ensure they have a Grandma and look after their Grandma as Grandmas are the only adults that appear to have time for children.

In anticipation of 'World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly' – Sunday 23rd July. We pray in thanksgiving for the dedication of Grandparents; for the wisdom of the elderly in our socjety and also ask God's blessing on them. St Anne and St Joachim intercede with us please. Amen.