**SUNDAY 23 February 2025 YEAR C1 PSALTER III**

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**Please keep in your prayers: Father Robert; Christina and John Morley; Janet Hudson; Josie Seath; Father Chacko; Theresa and Tom Hogan and Sandra and Sharon; Kelly Harte; Barbara Emery; Marjorie Bygrave; and all those suffering at this time.**

**MASS INFORMATION FOR THIS WEEK IS CORRECT AT TIME OF PUBLISHING BUT MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT SHORT NOTICE**

**Saturday 22 February The Chair of St Peter Apostle (Feast)**

 **9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

 **9.30am Confessions**

 **5.30pm VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY**

**Sunday 23 February SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

 **9am HOLY MASS**

**Monday 24 February 9.10am Morning Prayers HOLY MASS**

 ***followed by* Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy prayers**

**Tuesday 25 February *NO MASS***

**Wednesday 26 February 9.10am Morning Prayers ­9.30am HOLY MASS**

**Thursday 27 February St Gregory of Narek (Opt Mem)**

 **9.10am Morning Prayers 9.30 am HOLY MASS**

 **2.30pm Our Lady's Prayer Group**

 **Friday 28 February 9.10am Morning Prayers 9.30am HOLY MASS *followed by* Benediction**

 **Saturday 1 March St David, Patron of Wales (Feast)**

 **9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

 **9.30am Confessions**

 **10.00am HOLY MASS (The Family of Mary) *followed by Meeting of The Family of Mary***

 **5.30pm VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY**

 **Sunday 2 March 9am HOLY MASS - DAY FOR THE UNEMPLOYED**

**JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope** Father Francis and I are considering a pilgrimage to Rome during the Jubilee Year, possibly in the Autumn. If you think you may be interested please put your name on the sheet at the back of church. If there is enough interest details and prices will be sought and published.

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS** £247.16. **STANDING ORDERS** - Amounts for January - Gift Aided £1,217.50, Non Gift Aided £270.00 Thank you. **CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**  - The total crib collection amounted to £534.96. **SWEEPSTAKE** £20. Thanks to all who contributed. *Ruth*

 With blessings on every one of our Parish family,

 **Father Donald**

**GATHER 2025 JUBILATE** A weekend of faith, formation and friendship, **Friday 28th - Sunday 30th March**, Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay.  Booking forms available from the Sidmouth parish office, see facebook page or email plymouthgather@yahoo.com for more information.

**DIOCESAN YEAR BOOKS 2025** - There has been a delay in receiving a few copies for parishioners. I have left one copy at the back of the church so that anyone can access to the book. Please do not remove it from church.  *Ruth Hiscock*

**PLACES OF PILGRIMAGE** While Rome is the focus, the Holy Father asked each Diocese to establish a number of locations to be Places of Pilgrimage to provide a more local and accessible experience of walking pilgrimage. There are four such locations for Plymouth Diocese: The Cathedral; St. Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston; St. Boniface, Crediton; and Holy Trinity, Dorchester. Details for how to book a group, or times for more casual pilgrimages, will be published on the Diocesan website and will be sent more directly when they have been finalised. An indulgence has been established by the Holy See relating to these Places of Pilgrimage, but I will share detailed information when some matters have been clarified soon. *Harriet*

**LENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS** – there will be Stations of the Cross during Lent on each Monday and Friday straight after the 09.30 Mass. Should you wish to be on a rota to lead Stations, please let Anthony Reed know. All this involves is leading the prayers from the book at each station and avoids the same person doing it each time. *Anthony*

**THE POPE’S INTENTIONS for MARCH**

**For families in crisis**

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**\*\* WILL PARISHIONERS WISHING TO INSERT NOTICES PLEASE EMAIL THEM IN NO LATER THAN THURSDAY EVENINGS OR THEY MAY NOT BE RECEIVED IN TIME FOR PRINTING ON FRIDAY**

 **MORNINGS\*\***

**SWEEPSTAKE 2024/25** This years’ sweepstake will be drawn at the Parish Lunch on the **1st March.** If you wish to participate, please complete an envelope, found at the back of the church, and place the completed envelope in the collection plate, **no later than Sunday 23rd February.** Half of the money will be returned in cash prizes and half will go to parish funds. Thanks, *Mike*

**KNIT & NATTER** Next meeting on **Tuesday March 4, 2-4pm** in the church hall. *Julie*

**NOURISH** (Food Bank) are short of the following items: Coffee, cereal, shampoo, tinned meat, but all other donations also welcome. Green collection box at the back of the church. Thank you, *Jan*

**PARISH LUNCH** – **Saturday 01 March** in Stourpaine Village Hall – 12.00 for 12.30 – thank you to all those who have committed to the lunch by entering your name on the form at the back of the church. We have now reached the maximum number the hall can accommodate (80). If you have entered your name on the form, but no longer intend to attend, please let me know. For those who have put your name down, but haven’t yet bought tickets, tickets will continue to be sold for the next 2 weeks after the weekend Masses. There will be a raffle during the event, so if anyone wishes to donate a prize, please bring it to the Church Hall between now and the event. New items only, please.

Thank you. *Anthony*

Donations of gift items for the raffle will be very welcome. Any consumables must be in date, with thanks. *Mel*

**NEW DAILY MISSALS** - The order will be placed the week beginning the **3 March** so if you wish to order a New Daily Missal please put your name on the list at the back of the church. I can also order a Sunday Missal if you would prefer. Please note the Daily Missal weighs 1kg+*. Ruth*

**LENT LUNCHES** Throughout Lent we hope to hold our regular lent lunches on Saturdays. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of church from this weekend if you feel able to host a lunch either in your home or in the church hall. The 1st lunch (8th March) will be hosted by ourselves in the church hall. *Anna and Ali*

*How dear are humble souls to Mary! She recognizes and loves those who love her and is near to all who call upon her. This is especially true of those who she sees are like her in chastity and humility*. - St Bernard

