

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Is 66: 10-11

**Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.**

THE COLLECT

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps. 33:2-7.R.v9

R) Taste and see that the Lord is good.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R)**

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **(R)**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appearing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus! Lk 15:18
**I will leave this place and go to my father and say:
'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.'**
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3. 11-32

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women –you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. Through Christ our Lord.

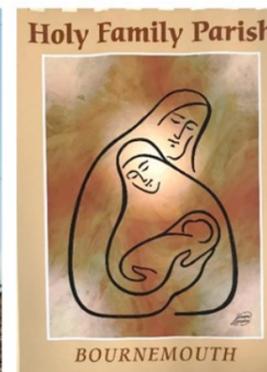
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lk 15: 32

**You must rejoice, my son,
for your brother was dead and has come to life;
he was lost and is found.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendour of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. Through Christ our Lord.



**PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY,
BOURNEMOUTH**

incorporating the churches of Christ the King, Kinson & St Bernadette's, Ensburry Park
Plymouth Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No: 213227

VIGIL FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

**Sunday 3rd of April
2.00pm – 5.00pm**

St. Bernadette's Church, BH10 5AR

The parish of the Holy Family will be holding 2 vigils to bring together our local communities to focus on the Ukrainian situation and provide practical and spiritual pathways towards being peacemakers in the world through various activities.

Can you help?

- * Make cupcakes (with blue /yellow colours)
- * Tea and coffee makers
- * Set up & tidy away
- * Parishioners to lead the rosary at the grotto
- *Welcomers
- *Distributing leaflets
- *Publicise the vigil
- *Readers



A warm welcome awaits all—all ages, all denominations, believers & non believers
Invite your family, friends and colleagues
And also if you know any of the Ukrainian community
Come for 5 minutes, or all afternoon, you will be very welcome.

For more info and offers of help, please e-mail Michael holyfamilyvigil@outlook.com

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Dear Parishioners, Today, we are on the fourth Sunday in Lent.

After the Pandemic, now war. Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to Immaculate Heart of Mary on March 25th. Pope says, is to be considered as a “gesture of the universal Church” to invoke an end to the violence and suffering of the innocent people. Pope made an appeal to all the bishops of the world to join him in prayer of “solemn act of consecration of humanity, Russia and Ukraine in particular to the immaculate heart of Mary”. Our parish too joined Bishop Mark on Friday in consecrating the suffering people of Ukraine and Russia due to war to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. And our parish is initiating a “Vigil Service”, specially praying for Peace in war torn areas. We invite everyone and even the people of other churches and creeds.

AMORIS LAETITIA: *Here are 10 things to know about the Pope's ground-breaking new document on the Family.*
 5. We should no longer talk about “living in sin”. In a sentence that reflects a new approach, the Pope says clearly, “It can no longer simply be said that all those living in any “irregular situations” are living in a state of mortal sin. (301). Other people in “irregular situations”, or non-traditional families like single mothers, need to be offered “understanding, comfort and acceptance” (49). When it comes to these people, indeed everyone, the church needs to stop applying moral laws, as if they were in the Pope’s vivid phrase “stones to throw at a person’s life” (305).

Reflection: *God has reconciled us to Himself with Christ.* A French King is said to have stated “The crown of France is worth a Mass a week”. He cared little about the religion, but since the whole of France was Catholic, as King he had to go to church on Sundays. There are various reasons why the “faithful” observe religious observances. Some do so out of fear. For one never knows what will happen on the other side of the grave, so they want to play safe. Others calculate like the Pharisees’ of Jesus’ time, they are “righteous “people, diligently observing the laws of their religion, and they expect God to give them salvation in return. Such scrupulous observances of legal requirements of Christianity forget that salvation cannot be bought with good works. In the matter of leading a Christian life, it is the reason why one does and that counts. Love and gratitude should be the principal motivations, not calculation or fear and certainly not commercial considerations! Good works should be the result of sanctification. We should do them not to buy salvation, but a sign of appreciation and gratitude for what God has done on our behalf. It is an ongoing process. Am I growing as a person?

May you all stay safe and have a blessed Season of Lent.

Fr Chacko

PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of peace and Justice,
 we pray for the people of Ukraine.

We pray for peace and
 laying down of weapons,

we pray for all those who
 fear for tomorrow, that your
 spirit of comfort would be near to them.

We pray for those with power
 over war or peace, for wisdom,
 discernment and compassion
 to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all
 your precious children, at risk and
 in that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus,
 the Prince of Peace.

Amen



**Clocks go
 forward 1hour
 on Sat 26**



EASTER RAFFLE!

Tickets are on sale
 after masses,
 £2 per strip or
 £5 for three strips

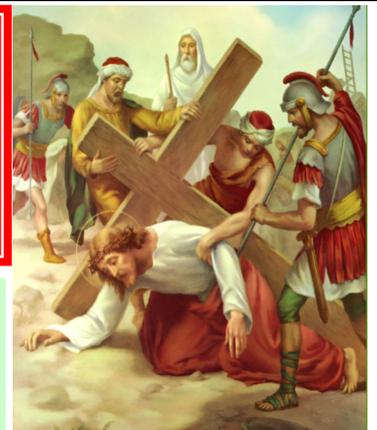
DAY	CHURCH	TIME	CELEBRATION or FEAST DAY
Sat 26	St B	6pm	Vigil Mass of The Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sun 27	CtK St B	9.30am 11am	Masses of The Fourth Sunday of Lent <i>MOTHERING SUNDAY</i>
Mon 28	St B	6pm 6.30pm	Stations of the Cross followed by Weekday Mass of the Monday of the third week of Lent
Tues 29	CtK	9am 9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Weekday Mass
Wed 30	St B	9:30am	Weekday Mass <i>PLEASE NOTE MASS IS AT ST BERNADETTE'S</i>
Th 31	CtK	9am 9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Weekday Mass
Fri 1st	CtK	9.30am 11.30am	Weekday Mass followed by the chaplet of Divine Mercy & adoration Stations of the Cross
Sat 2	St B	6pm	Vigil Mass of The Fifth Sunday of Lent
Sun 3	CtK St B	9.30am 11am	Masses of The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Stations of The Cross

This devotion of walking with Jesus on His last journey allows us to pause and reflect in these last moments of our Lord and saviour.

Come and journey with Him on

Fridays after 9.30am mass—CtK Mondays at 6pm - StB



Fridays at 12pm Lunch of soup and roll will be served in the presbytery. Come and join us. Donations to CAFOD

THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD



You are invited to come along and join us to experience the continuous story of Jesus crucifixion, death and resurrection on the 3rd day.
Maundy Thursday (the last Supper)
Good Friday (the crucifixion)
Holy Saturday (vigil service of light)

Maundy Thursday 7.30pm CtK
Good Friday 3pm CtK
Holy Saturday 8pm CtK
Easter Sunday 9.30am CtK
11am St B

KEEP PRAYING WITH US THIS LENT

For online family Lent calendar, stations of the Cross and Lent prayers, go to cafod.org.uk/prayers

ON LINE?

If you would like to receive the newsletter via email—please contact the parish office

MOTHERS DAY BLESSING

Blessed is the Mother, who lets the Lord be her guiding hand.

Whose faith brings her family courage,

Whose wisdom comes from God

And whose children still stand and honour her.
Amen

