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MASS TIMES

7th April 2024 - 2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER - B

BRIXHAM:

Sunday: 10.00am: Sr. Annunciata RIP
Monday: 10.00am: **NO MASS**
Tuesday: 10.00am: Mr & Mrs Julio D'Souza RIP (G. Lobo)
Wednesday: 10.00am: Holy Souls
Friday: 10.00am: Carroll & Family (Donor)
Saturday: 10.00am: For Vocations
Sunday: 10.00am: For Private Intentions (P. Thurston)

BAPTISMS: With Prior Appointment
WEDDINGS: Six Months notice.

DARTMOUTH:

Sunday: 10.00am: Gisela Howard-Chappell RIP (D. Sheppard)
Thursday: 10.30am: Holy Souls
Saturday: 5.00pm Gisela Howard-Chappell (M&A Robinson)

CONFESSIONS:

BRIXHAM: Saturdays: 10.30 - 11.00 am
DARTMOUTH: By Appointment

ADORATION: **Brixham:** Every Friday from 9.30 am - 10.00 am. **Dartmouth:** Thursdays at 10.00am.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND: Please continue to support those who are training to be priests by setting aside £1 week. Thanks for your support. January to March: **Brixham** -£335; **Dartmouth** - £15.00. Thanks for your support.

FOOD BANK: Please continue to support the needy in our towns. All unperishable items are welcome.

COFFEE MORNING: All are invited to the Parish Hall in Brixham for a cup of Coffee after the Sunday Mass.

OFFERING BY STANDING ORDER: If all our Parishioners could pay by Standing Order, that would be of great help. It will save a lot of time for the Counters. **Brixham:** Bank - NatWest; Name: Brixham R C Church (*Stella Maris*) A/C No: 04115341; Sort Code: 52-10-18;

Dartmouth: Bank: NatWest; Name: Dartmouth R C Church; A/C No: 04517350; Sort Code - 52-30-20.

PRAYER REQUEST: Your prayers are requested for the Sick of our Parish, especially for those in Hospital & Residential Homes. Molly Hall, Alan Swain, John Smythe, Mary Aylett, Geraldine Osborne, Shala Cripps, Ruth Clift, Liz Urand, Neville Rebello, Pat & Fred Lay & Peter Burr in your prayers.

REPAIR OF CHURCH WALL: The work to damp-proof the outside will begin soon, including the replacement of the drains pipes. We received two quotes and these have been submitted to the diocese for approval.

DEATH: **Gisela Howard Chappel's** Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, 11th April at St. John the Baptist Church, Dartmouth at 1.00pm. St. Saviours Church Choir will help with the singing.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: 1. **Mass with Anointing** - Saturday, 4th May at 10.00am;

2. **Race Afternoon** - Saturday, 18th May. Gates open at 2.30pm. There will be 7 filmed races with Tote Betting. There is a Donation Sales Bar. Tickets: £3 is available after Mass. Please bring a plate of food to share. Any queries, please contact Nigel Hickman on 01803 842156.

3. **Summer Fair** - Tuesday, 18th June. We need Cakes, Preserves and Bric-a-brac and any unused Gift Items that you don't need.

4. **Quiz Nite** - Saturday, 19th October. There is also a proposal to start a 50/50 draw. More details later.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped with the decoration of our Churches, the Choir, Altar Servers and all volunteers who helped in anyway to make our Easter Triduum spiritual and meaningful. Thanks to all your Easter Offerings and Gifts.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Sunday, 21st April. Please pray for an increase in Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life.

MEDITATION: The last apostle to meet the resurrected Lord was the first to go with him to Jerusalem at Pass-over time. The apostle Thomas was a natural pessimist. When Jesus proposed that they visit Lazarus after receiving news of his illness, Thomas said to the disciples: "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (John 11:16). While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. After Jesus' death, Thomas made the mistake of withdrawing from the other apostles. He sought loneliness rather than fellowship in his time of trial and adversity. He doubted the women who saw the resurrected Jesus and he doubted his own fellow apostles. When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we, too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection.

FEAST DAYS: Sunday, 7th - **Divine Mercy Sunday**; Monday, 8th - **The Annunciation of the Lord**; Thursday, 11th - St. Stanislaus.

