

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH
St. Mary, Immaculate Mother of God, Barnstaple
& St. Joseph's, South Molton

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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)
Weekday Year 2; Psalter Week 1
Sunday 18th September

BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	17th	10:00 10:30 12:00	Recently Retired Priests <i>Confession and Exposition</i> Baptism of Holly Grace Flores
Sunday	18th	09:30 18:30	25th Sunday OT Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II The People of the Parish
Tuesday	20th	10:00	St Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chöng Ha-Sang and Companions Anne Stocks RIP
Wednesday	21st	10:00	St Matthew - Apostle and Evangelist The Recently Deceased
Friday	23rd	10:00	St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) The Care of Creation
Saturday	24th	10:00 10:30	Our Lady of Walsingham <i>Confession and Exposition</i>
Sunday	25th	09:30 18:30	26th Sunday OT The People of the Parish

SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	17th	17:30	Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II
Saturday	24th	17:30	Thanksgiving: Rosemary & Gordon

Live Streaming of Mass from St. Mary's: Sunday at 9.30 am

Sunday Mass is live streamed from St Mary's, Barnstaple at 9:30am. This can be found on the Barnstaple parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BarnstapleCatholicParish

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II RIP

Following the death of Her Majesty, The Queen, please pray for the repose of her soul, for the nation and for the Commonwealth. Let us also pray for the Royal Family, who have lost a greatly loved member of their family, and especially for His Majesty, King Charles III as he begins his reign as the monarch.

There are prayers for HM Queen Elizabeth II which have been issued by the Bishops of England and Wales. These are available in the Narthex and on the parish website. His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols has also issued a statement, and this too is available on the parish website.

The Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anne Stocks, who passed away recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place on the 29th September, at 2.15pm If you are likely to attend the Funeral or the Wake , please fill out the check sheet on the Narthex table.

Day of Special Prayer: Home Mission Sunday (18/09/22)

For the courage to live lives faithful to the Gospel. For the ability to recognise Christ in all whom we meet.

Second Collection: Home Mission Sunday (18/09/22)

There will be a second collection this weekend for the work of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales. For more information please see the entry below.

Home Mission Sunday: Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (18/09/22)

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday calls us to be joyous in proclaiming our faith. "Evangelii Gaudium" is Latin for "Joy of the Gospel". The day supports the work carried out by the Mission Directorate at the Bishops' Conference in supporting our bishops in three important areas:

- Firstly, evangelisation and catechesis. Guided by the Bishops, this work supports the dioceses in bringing the beauty of the Catholic Faith to the people in their parishes, and to those who do not yet know the Lord.
- Secondly, the beauty of the Liturgy and our church buildings. The Mission directorate ensures that liturgical directives from Rome are acted upon and liturgical texts are translated into English. Historical building experts work in the Directorate and support dioceses to fund and maintain beautiful places for prayer.
- Thirdly, sharing the beauty of the Catholic faith with Christian and non-Christians through outreach and dialogue. This work supports the bishops at the national level and helps create greater understanding. The directorate also reaches out to those with no faith, but who seek the Lord "with a sincere heart".

Please support the Mission Directorate through prayer and giving to the second collection. However much you give, big or small, it will go directly to support these three important areas of work. Thank you More information can be found at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/what-is-evangelii-gaudium-sunday/>

New Ciborium in Memory of Mavis Eastaugh

A new ciborium has been kindly donated to the parish in memory of Mavis Eastaugh by her husband Chris. Mavis died earlier this year and was for a number of years our parish secretary. The ciborium will be blessed and then used for the first time at the 9.30 Mass this Sunday. (*A ciborium is the vessel used to hold the Communion hosts.*)

South Molton Civic Commemorative Service: Queen Elizabeth II RIP (18/09/22)

The Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene will be hosting South Molton's civic Commemorative Service, following the Queens' death, on Sunday 18th September, starting at 11am. Everyone is invited to attend and most welcome.

Dipping into the Catechism: Extract (18/09/22)

What does the Ascension mean? After 40 days during which Jesus showed Himself to the apostles with ordinary human features which veiled His glory as the Risen One, Christ ascended into Heaven and was seated at the right hand of the Father. He is the Lord who now in His humanity reigns in the everlasting glory of the Son of God and constantly intercedes for us before the Father. Together with the Father, He sends us the Holy Spirit and He gives us the hope of one day reaching the place He has prepared for us.

Freedom Centre/ Foodbank (25/09/22)

The next collection for the Barnstaple Freedom Centre/ Food bank will take place on Sunday 25th September. Suggested donations are as follows:

Items that the kitchen use for meals:

Tinned Chickpeas	Tinned Fruit
Tinned beans (but not baked beans please)	Tinned Custard
Flour: white plain and self raising	Tinned Rice Pudding
OXO cubes beef, chicken or vegetable	Bird's Custard Powder
Gravy granules	Golden Syrup
Mayonnaise	Honey
Soft brown sugar	Porridge Oats
Tomato Puree	Salad Cream
Balsamic vinegar	Cling film
Rice vinegar	Foil
Mustard: English or wholegrain	Baking parchment
Coffee	Black bin bags
Squash: summer fruits or other "red" squash	Plastic food bags
Jam	Pan scourers

Items that are given out in food parcels:

Pot Noodles	Biscuits
Meals in a tin: curry, chilli or stew type things	Cereal bars
Sweet or Savoury snacks	Chocolate bars
Cans or small plastic bottles of fizzy drinks	For Pets:
Small jars of coffee	Dog food: tins or dry food
Small cartons of fruit juice	Cat food: Dry

Season of Creation 2022 (01/09/22 - 04/10/22)

The burning bush is the symbol for this year's Season of Creation which runs until the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October. The recent prevalence of wildfires are signs of the devastating effects that climate change is having on the most vulnerable of our planet. Creation cries out as forests burn and people and animals are forced to migrate. However, the fire that called to Moses as he tended the flock on Mount Horeb did not consume or destroy the bush. This flame of the Spirit revealed God's presence. In this Season of Creation, this symbol of God's Spirit calls us to listen to the voice of creation and consider how we can be good stewards of the earth's valuable resources. There is an opportunity for everyone to share ideas about what more we can do care for our common home through an online survey. <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/environment/season-of-creation/>

Catechists, youth leaders and volunteers (01/10/22)

10 – 3.30, St Rita's, Honiton. This is a great chance for all who work with the youth in our diocese to get together and share experiences and ideas. There will be a guest speaker, Ben Slater from Five Ways who will talk about supporting young people living with neurodiversity. Lunch is provided. Booking is essential: <https://forms.office.com/r/a0QkYtsQu2> or email Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Receive our Parish Newsletter by E-mail

Please contact the office if you would like to have the parish newsletter emailed to you each week. It is an excellent way to find out what is happening in our churches, and will keep you up to date with any changes to our regular Mass times.

Gift Aid Envelopes

Gift Aid envelopes are available to pick up from the Narthex. For those tax payers interested in registering as Gift Aiders, please contact the parish office.

Financial Support of the Parish

Parishioners who wish to contribute to the financial support of the parish can do so in the following ways:

- Placing a donation in a collection basket in the church
- Posting cheques or money to the presbytery
- By Standing Order or BACS Transfer (contact the parish office for details)

Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tue, Thurs, & Fri. 8.30 - 12.30
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Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.