

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

St. Mary, Immaculate Mother of God, Barnstaple  
& St. Joseph's, South Molton

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## Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Weekday Year 2; Psalter Week 2 Sunday 28th August

### BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	27th	10:00	<b>St Monica - Patron of Mothers</b> Steve O'Reilly
		10:30	<b><i>Confession and Exposition</i></b>
Sunday	28th	09:30	<b>22nd Sunday OT</b> Ray Brydon RIP
		18:30	Family members suffering from cancer
Tuesday	30th	10:00	Alina Johnson - 18th Birthday
Wednesday	31st	10:00	The Sick and Housebound
Friday	2nd	10:00	The Recently Deceased
Saturday	3rd	10:00	<b>St Gregory the Great - Feast</b> Fr Peter - Anniversary of Ordination
		10:30	<b><i>Confession and Exposition</i></b>
Sunday	4th	09:30	<b>23rd Sunday OT</b> George Smith RIP
		15:30	Syro- Malabar Mass
		18:30	Margaret Norman

### SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	27th	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	3rd	17:30	The People of the Parish

### **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](http://www.facebook.com/BarnstapleCatholicParish)

### **Catholic Children's Society Plymouth: 2022 Annual Appeal (27-28/8/22)**

**Extend a Hand: Give Hope - Putting All Children First:** please give generously today towards the work of the Catholic Children's Society and keep them and their beneficiaries in your prayers. Your love, kindness and generosity will make a difference to many children and their families. Thank you so much. And please remember to Gift Aid your donation if you can!

### **Dipping into the Catechism: Extract (28/08/22)**

**'Why did Jesus manifest the Kingdom by means of signs and miracles?**

Jesus accompanied his words with signs and miracles to bear witness to the fact that the Kingdom is present in him, the Messiah. Although he healed some people, he did not come to abolish all evils here below but rather to free us especially from the slavery of sin. The driving out of demons proclaimed that His cross would be victorious over "the ruler of this world" (John 12:31).'

### **Weekly Counters Needed**

We are in desperate need of additional volunteers to count the weekly collections. You will be expected to count once every 4-6 weeks. It usually takes place on a Monday or Tuesday morning in the Presbytery and lasts for about an hour. Training will be given. If you are interested, please contact the parish office or speak to Fr Peter. Thank you.

### **Book Group (31/08/22)**

The book group are meeting on Wednesday 31st August at 7pm in the Presbytery to discuss "Go Set a Watchman" by Harper Lee. All welcome.

### **CWL Meeting (06/09/22)**

The next CWL meeting will take place on Tuesday, 6th September, at 1.30pm in the Red Room.

### **South Molton Food Bank Collection (10/09/22)**

Collections for the South Molton Food Bank are restarting. The first one will take place on the 10th of September. Collections will continue on the second Saturday of every month. Please leave any donations in the labelled box in St Joseph's. Particular items needed at this time include toothbrushes, washing powder and fabric softener. Thank you

### **The Pope's Intention for September: The Abolition of the Death Penalty**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

### **Annual Diocesan Retreat (04 - 06/09/22)**

There are a few places available on the Annual Retreat of the Legion of Mary to be held at St Rita's Centre, Honiton: 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September. Residential (full board) £117 or day only £25 (to incl. lunch). Retreat led by Legion priest, Fr John Peyton. Non-members welcome. To book, or for more details, call Adrian Wardle on 01752 830113.

### **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/>

### **The Visit of the Relics of Saint Bernadette 09 - 10/09/22)**

The relics of St Bernadette will be coming from Lourdes to the UK for a national tour of parishes and chaplaincies in September and October 2022. They are set to visit Plymouth Cathedral on the 9th and 10th of September. If anyone who has attended the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and would like to be involved in the Lourdes Liturgy at the Plymouth Cathedral at 6pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September, please contact Fr Kieran Kirby on 01392 272815 or email [Kieran.kirby@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Kieran.kirby@prcdtr.org.uk)

### **Diocesan Youth Ministry: 'Sing from the Heart' (24/09/22)**

The next youth event is Sing from the Heart at Buckfast Abbey, on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 10-5.00. All singing abilities are welcome. 10- 3.30 young people will join together to explore a range of hymns, songs and chants with Buckfast Abbey Choirmaster, Matthew Searles. Friends and family are invited to arrive at 3.30 to a mini concert, followed by a BBQ for all. Booking essential: <https://forms.office.com/r/yFfr7n4zmM> For further information contact: Saskia, [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

### **Free draw: Win a trip to Medjugorje with the Irish Centre**

Win one week's all included package trip to Medjugorje for one person. This includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flight (up to €300 flight & luggage value). To be in with a chance to win go to our website [www.med-irishcentre.com](http://www.med-irishcentre.com). For more details tel. 00353 1443 4510 or email [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com). Our next draw is for 31st October.

### **Volunteering Opportunity: Norah Bellot Court**

Norah Bellot Court is a Retirement Living Scheme in the centre of Barnstaple. We have 46 flats for people aged 60 and over. We need new volunteers to help us provide activities for our residents. Volunteering opportunities include helping to run our various Chat, Coffee and Quiz groups, Indoor Bowls, Bingo, Seated Exercises, the “Matters of Faith” group, join our “Friday Club” team of volunteers or come up with a new activity. We are always open to suggestions. In the first instance contact: Sally via email: [sally.blackmore@mha.org.uk](mailto:sally.blackmore@mha.org.uk) or phone and leave your contact details on 01271 379787 and I will get back to you

### **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  
St. Mary's Church House, Higher Church  
Street, Barnstaple. EX32 8JE

**Parish Secretary:** Claire Spears

**Plymouth Diocesan Trust**

Registered Charity Number 213227

#### **Parish Primary School**

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School  
Chanter's Hill, Barnstaple.  
EX32 8DN

Tel: 01271 345164

Principal: Rob Meech

Chair of Governors: Geraldine Herage

***Safeguarding Rep. (Barnstaple): Ruth O'Donovan (Tel: 01271 342493)***

*Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.*