

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Psalter Week 1

Sunday 19th October

BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	18th	10:00	St Luke - Evangelist Lily Ellis RIP
		10:30	<i>Confession, Exposition & Rosary (until 11:00)</i>
Sunday	19th	09:30	29th Sunday OT– World Mission Day <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Maria Minihane RIP
		18:30	Charles Huxley RIP
Tuesday	21st	10:00	Philip John RIP
Wednesday	22nd	10:00	St John Paul II Antony Nereveettil RIP
Thursday	23rd	10:00	Ray Bunce: Happy 100th Birthday
Friday	24th	10:00	Thanksgiving
Saturday	25th	10:00	Brenda Crisp RIP
		10:30	<i>Confession, Exposition & Rosary (until 11:00)</i>
Sunday	26th	09:30	30th Sunday OT Albert & Teresa Lucas RIP
		18:30	The People of the Parish

SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	18th	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	25th	17:30	Penelope Clark RIP

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.

The Pope's Intentions for October:

For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

<https://thepopevideo.org/>

First Holy Communion Classes: 4.50 pm - St Mary's Presbytery

Next First Holy Communion class: Thursday 23rd October

There will be ***no class*** on Thursday 30th October

Classes will continue on Thursday 6th November.

Requiescat in Pace

Geoff Rothery RIP

Please pray for the soul of Geoff Rothery who died recently. His Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 28th October at 10am. Please also pray for Dana, his wife, and his family at this time.

2nd Collection – World Mission Sunday: (19/10/25)

Sunday 19 October – Today is World Mission Sunday

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to be 'Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples' as everyone deserves to hear that God loves them and to be strengthened by God's Spirit.

Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace and justice to those in need.

To donate, use the Missio envelope, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

CWL Day of Recollection: (29/10/25)

Wednesday 29th October: 10am to 3.15pm, at St Mary's, Barnstaple.

The CWL Barnstaple Branch warmly invites you to a Day of Recollection led by Fr Guy de Gaynesford.

The theme will be: '*The Holy Rosary - to Jesus through Mary*'

Suggested donation of £2. Bring a packed lunch.

Attend the full day or sessions of your choice only. For more information, see poster in the Narthex or pick up a flyer.

Advent Service: (07/12/25)

If any of our young parishioners would like to take part in our Advent Service this year on Sunday 7th December at 3pm, please can you see either Di, Cath or Yvonne at the 9.30 Sunday mass or email our Parish Secretary who will pass on your details: barnstaple@pcrdtr.org.uk Thank you.

Volunteers Needed: Flower Arranging

Could you spare some time to help arrange the flowers at St Mary's?
Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to help. Thank you.

Advent Retreat for 18-30 year olds: (21-23/11/25)

Sclerder Abbey, Looe, Cornwall. Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd November 2025
Join young adults from across the Diocese of Plymouth to prepare for Advent.
During the weekend you will explore John's scripture:
'The word became flesh and dwelt amongst us' (J1:14)
whilst experiencing elements of the Chemin Neuf Community, listening to talks from Fr Robbie Lowe and exploring the area.
A recommended donation of £30 is to help with the accommodation and food costs.

For further information contact Saskia; youth@pcrdtr.org.uk
or follow the link to book: <https://forms.office.com/e/se4zasSM7B>

Retrouvaille Marriage support:

Does your relationship need some TLC? Need help with deeper issues?
Next programme starts 17th October.
Contact: www.retrouvaille.org.uk or Tel: 07887 269983.

World Day of the Poor Event: (15/11/25)

Saturday 15th November, 10:30am to 3pm at St Rita's Centre, Honiton.
Caritas Diocese of Plymouth invites you to 'Signs of Hope,' an event marking the World Day of the Poor.
David McLoughlin will deliver keynote talks, helping us reflect on Pope Leo XIV's message and explore ways to combat poverty both globally and locally.
Simple lunch included. To register please phone Caritas on 01364 645360 or email caritas@pcrdtr.org.uk.

Our Lady's Primary School - Governor Needed

Our Lady's School needs a new Governor to join the Local Governing Board.
If you would be interested in serving our parish school in this way, then please speak to Fr.

Clocks go back: (26/10/25)

A reminder that clocks go back one hour at 2am on Sunday 26th October.

The Rosary

The Rosary is prayed at St Joseph's every Thursday at 10am, and at St. Mary's every Saturday morning after Mass (at about 10.30am). This is an opportunity for parishioners to participate in this great prayer tradition of the Church and to meditate on the life of Christ.

Sunday Morning Parking

We respectfully request that, on Sunday Mornings, St Mary's car park be reserved for elderly parishioners and those with disabilities. Please could all other parishioners look for off site alternatives. Thank you.

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)

Gift Aid

For those tax payers interested in registering as Gift Aiders, please contact the parish office.

October Diocesan Newsletter:

This is now available online: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-F236B443DD092B5F2540EF23F30FEDED>

Diocesan Youth Events E-Newsletter link:

<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-C5F3537114DB48B72540EF23F30FEDED>

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