

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Psalter Week 3

Sunday 26th January

BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	25th	10:00 10:30	<i>Confession, Exposition & Rosary</i>
Sunday	26th	09:30 18:30	3rd Sunday in OT <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Peter Stevens RIP For the souls of Joy & family
Tuesday	28th	10:00	St. Thomas Aquinas
Wednesday	29th	10:00	Sr. Dympna Kelly RIP
Thursday	30th	10:00	
Friday	31st	10:00	St. John Bosco
Saturday	1st	10:00 10:30	Nicholas Brooks RIP <i>Confession, Exposition & Rosary</i>
Sunday	2nd	09:30 18:30	Presentation of the Lord <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Helen Hind RIP

SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	25th	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	1st	17:30	

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.

Requiem Mass for Frances Dixon

The Requiem Mass for Frances Dixon will take place at St. Mary's at 10am on Thursday 6th February.

Parish Handyman & Gardener

The parish is looking for a new handyman/gardener for 5 or 6 hours a week. This can either be an employed position or a contracted position with someone who is self-employed. If you are interested or have any recommendations then please speak to Fr. Peter.

Volunteers to Count the Collection

The parish could do with some more volunteers to help count the collection. This involves about a couple of hours on a Monday or Tuesday morning once every 4 to 6 weeks.

Book Group Meeting (29/01/25)

Book Group will be meeting next Wednesday, 29th January, at 7pm in the Presbytery to discuss "Babel" by RF Kuang. All welcome.

First Holy Communion Classes (30/01/25)

The next class will take place on Thursday, 30th January, at 5pm in the Presbytery. Please ensure your children arrive before 5pm.

Foodbank/ Freedom Centre collections

- St Mary's: 26/01/25
- St Joseph's: 08/02/25

An Invitation to Survivors

We have two survivor groups in the diocese that have now been running for over a year, which provide an opportunity for anyone with lived experience of abuse to share their thoughts and ideas about survivor support work in our diocese. We are grateful to all those who so generously give of their time to attend these meetings.

The diocese would welcome the opportunity to hear from others who have a lived experience of abuse, so that we can involve them in the work we are doing to support survivors. If you would like to help us with this work, or you would like to find out more, please contact: Sophie Scagell (Survivor Support Caseworker) on 01364 645436 / sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk

Plymouth Diocese: 13-17 Year old Youth Residential (24-26/01/25)

Come and join others from across the Diocese to explore the scripture Job 12:7-10. There will be workshops for you to join including: photography; music; art and filming. £50pp. Contact Saskia Hogbin for further information; youth@prcdtr.org.uk or follow the link to book: <https://forms.office.com/e/xVBd8tV0fG>

Day of Reflection (01/02/25)

Have you ever asked the question 'Is God calling me to Priesthood or to the Religious life?'. This 'Day of Reflection' for men will be held on Saturday 1 February from 10:00 to 16:00 at Exeter University Chaplaincy, Boniface House, Glenthorne Road, Exeter EX4 4QU. The day will include Mass, a time of Adoration, a short conference, an opportunity for Confession and 'One to One talks' with serving Priests from our Diocese; and sharing food together (this will be provided – please let us know of special dietary requirements). Under 18s are welcome to attend with parents' permission. For more information and to register your interest please contact Fr Jacek Kostuch on jacek.kostuch@prcdtr.org.uk or vocation@prcdtr.org.uk

Diocese of Plymouth: Lent Residential Retreats

Individually guided retreats are led by experienced members of the Plymouth Diocese Ignatian Spirituality Group who have received training in Ignatian spirituality.

Lent - Residential Silent Retreats

March 7th - 9th (Fri - Sun)	Weekend Retreat	£160
March 7th - 11th (Fri - Tues)	Extended Weekend Retreat	£280
March 10th - 14th (Mon - Fri)	Midweek Retreat	£275
March 7th - 14th (Fri - Fri)	6-day Retreat	£475

Venue: St Rita's Centre, Honiton East Devon, EX14 1AP. Retreat cost includes full board & lodging. For further information, to check availability, or to book telephone Wendy on: 01752 769164 or 07823447637 or email: Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk

Plymouth Diocese: Gather 2025 (28 - 30/03/25)

Gather 2025 Jubilate is a weekend of faith, formation and friendship. Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. Booking forms available from the parish office or email plymouthgather@yahoo.com for more information.

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

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.

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

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

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

Plymouth Diocesan Trust

Registered Charity Number 213227

Parish Primary School

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School
Chanter's Hill, Barnstaple.
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Principal: Rob Meech

Chair of Governors: Lydia Cawsey

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Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.