

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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## First Week of Lent (Year C)

Psalter Week 1

**Sunday 9th March**

### BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	8th	10:00 10:30	<i>Confession, Exposition &amp; Rosary (until 11:00)</i>
Sunday	9th	09:30  18:30	<b>First Sunday of Lent</b> <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Norah Breeda Parker RIP
Tuesday	11th	10:00	
Wednesday	12th	10:00	
Thursday	13th	10:00	
Friday	14th	11:30 18.30	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Saturday	15th	10:00 10:30	<i>Confession, Exposition &amp; Rosary (until 11:00)</i>
Sunday	16th	09:30  18:30	<b>First Sunday of Lent</b> <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Albert & Teresa Lucas RIP The People of the Parish

### SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	8th	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	15th	17:30	Margot Cartlidge 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](http://www.facebook.com/BarnstapleCatholicParish).

**The Pope's Intention for March - For the New Martyrs** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

### **Lenten Zoom Talks** (13/03 - 10/04/25)

Please find below the Zoom Link for the 2025 Lent Series - do come and join us and share the journey. The talks themselves will begin at 7pm but the Zoom call will be open as from 6.45pm. Each evening is an independent and free-standing talk given by 5 separate individuals and so although you can attend all 5 they are not linked other than seeking to reflect on some of the Holy Father's signs of hope in this Jubilee Year.

13<sup>th</sup> March:- Commitment to others.

20<sup>th</sup> March:- Debt cancellation.

27<sup>th</sup> March:- Recognizing Hope.

3<sup>rd</sup> April:- Peace.

10<sup>th</sup> April:- Jesus's last Pilgrimage.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84052447850?pwd=MmPzcp911dTsgJWDxR0vH5H9zYS4e6.1>

Meeting ID: 840 5244 7850, Passcode: 043004

### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday during Lent. 3pm at St Joseph's, and 6.30pm at St Mary's.

### **First Holy Communion Classes** (13/03/25)

The next class will take place on Thursday, 13th March, at 5pm in the Presbytery. Please ensure your children arrive before 5pm.

### **Lenten Lunches** (Start on 07/03/25)

12 - 1pm. Red Room of St Mary's Presbytery.

Fridays

21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> April.

**There will be no Lenten Lunch on 14<sup>th</sup> March** due to work in the Presbytery.

### **Change of Mass times**

*Please note that, throughout Lent, the Mass time on Fridays will change to 11.30am so that those attending Lent Lunches can go straight into lunch at noon.*

### **Gift Aid Envelopes**

Gift Aid envelopes for the new financial year are now available to pick up from the Narthex of St Mary's, and the entry of St Joseph's. For those tax payers interested in registering as Gift Aiders, please contact the parish office.

**Second Collection: CAFOD Lent Appeal: Family Fast Day (16/03/25)**

*CAFOD Family Fast Day is on Friday 14th March* Please donate to our parish collection on Sunday 16th March to be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities suffering the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelopes in the narthex, donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030.

**CSSP: You Can Make a Difference!**

To tie in with the Jubilee of Volunteering on 8th & 9th March 2025, the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) is delighted that several Parishes now have a Parish Volunteer in place to help them with their fundraising.

The CCSP Parish Volunteer pack has recently been updated and if you would like a copy to see what's involved, please contact the parish office for a copy, email [vicki.dunstone@ccsplymouth.org.uk](mailto:vicki.dunstone@ccsplymouth.org.uk) or Phone 01364 645420.

**Please keep in your prayers:** Georgina Smith, who is unable to attend Mass for the foreseeable future.

**Our Lady's Primary School - Governors Needed**

Our Lady's School need 2 new Governors to join the Local Governing Board. If you would be interested in serving our parish school in this way then please speak to Fr. Peter.

**Foodbank / Freedom Centre collections**

- St Mary's: 30/03/25
- St Joseph's: 12/04/25

**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.

**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.

**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.

### **Diocesan Vacancy: Ilfracombe Parish Secretary**

We are recruiting a Parish Secretary for Ilfracombe, reporting to the Parish Life Co-ordinator. The purpose of the role is to manage the administrative and secretarial support alongside the office resources to ensure the smooth running of the Parish and to enable the Parish Life Co-ordinator to carry out his Diocesan responsibilities. If you are competent in the use of Microsoft Office systems such as Word and Outlook, willing to learn new programmes including MS Teams, possess excellent organisational skills and have the ability to act as a key representative for the Diocese of Plymouth, we would love to hear from you. Hours: 16 per week, to include Friday. Location: The Presbytery, Ilfracombe, EX31 4AZ. Closing date: Monday 24th March. To apply, please contact [recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk).

### **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)

<p><b>Parish Office Hours</b> Mon, Tue, Thurs, &amp; Fri. 8.30 - 12.30 St. Mary's Church House, Higher Church Street, Barnstaple. EX32 8JE <b>Parish Secretary:</b> Helen Black <b>Plymouth Diocesan Trust</b> Registered Charity Number 213227</p>	<p><b>Parish Primary School</b> Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Chanter's Hill, Barnstaple. EX32 8DN Tel: 01271 345164 <b>Principal:</b> Rob Meech <b>Chair of Governors:</b> Lydia Cawsey</p>
<p><b><i>Safeguarding Rep: Ruth O'Donovan (Tel: 01271 342493)</i></b> <i>Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.</i></p>	