

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Psalter Week 4 Sunday 13th October

BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES			
Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	12th	10:00 10:30	William Cooper RIP <i>Confession and Exposition</i>
Sunday	13th	09:30 18:30	28th Sunday OT <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Teresa and Albert Lucas The People of the Parish
Tuesday	15th	10:00	St Teresa of Jesus Mr Luke Karikulathil RIP
Wednesday	16th	10:00	Thresiamma and Rani RIP
Thursday	17th	10:00	St Ignatius of Antioch The Recently Deceased
Friday	18th	10:00	St Luke - Evangelist Lily Ellis RIP
Saturday	19th	10:00 10:30	Clodagh Murphy RIP <i>Confession and Exposition</i>
Sunday	20th	09:30 18:30	29th Sunday OT <i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i> Luckose RIP The People of the Parish
SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES			
Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	12th	17:00	Frank Hoar and Winifred Tindal RIP
Saturday	19th	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.

Ordination of our new Bishop (09/11/24)

In an effort to allocate seats fairly, each parish in the diocese has been given two tickets so that all the parishes will be represented at the Ordination. If you are interested in attending, and would like to be considered for one of the tickets, please give your name to Fr Peter or Claire as soon as possible. Thank you.

Prayer Cards for Bishop-Elect Philip Moger

Prayer cards celebrating the upcoming Ordination of the tenth Bishop of Plymouth are available to pick up from the Narthex/ back of the church.

Sugar Work Exhibition (12 - 16/11/24)

An exhibition of the wonderful sugar work of parishioner Bryony Sapsford is running at the North Devon Museum. 12th-16th November. For more information, please visit: <https://barnstaplemuseum.org.uk>. The museum is open 10am - 4pm, Monday to Saturday. Be sure not to miss it!

The Pope's Intention for October: For a Shared Mission

Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

Week of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families (13-20/10/24)

For all in prison and their families that they may know the Lord's compassion and love. For the judicial system: may it practice both justice and mercy.

First Holy Communion Classes

First Holy Communion classes are starting on Thursday 17th October at 5pm in the Presbytery. If your child is in year 4 or over, and would like to make their First Holy Communion next year, please pick up a letter and form from the Narthex. The documents are also available for download from the parish website. They need to be returned to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Foodbank/ Freedom Centre collections

- St Joseph's: 12/10/24
- St Mary's: 27/10/24

South Molton Carnival (12/10/24)

Due to the South Molton Carnival, Mass at St Joseph's will start at the earlier time of 5pm on Saturday 12th October.

Dei Verbum - The Word of God (19/10/24)

“How can we know anything about God with certainty? Why should we trust what the Church tells us about God? How do we make sense of the Bible?” In preparing for the Jubilee year 2025, Pope Francis has asked us to explore the key documents of Vatican II and one of those documents is Dei Verbum. Sister Hyacinthe, who as a Dominican, will guide us through the text and inspire us with a love of God’s Word. Schiller Hall, Buckfast Abbey. 10.30-3pm.(Mass at 12noon) To reserve, email: deborah.vankroonenburg@pcdtr.org.uk

Vocations Retreat (01-02/11/24)

Honiton Retreat Centre, St Rita’s Centre, Ottery Moor Lane, Honiton EX14 1AP. Are you called to witness as a Permanent Deacon, a Religious or a Priest? There is an opportunity to reflect on this with other discerners and others living out vocations as a Permanent Deacon, Religious or Priest. If you are interested please join us at our Reflection Day starting at 5pm on Friday 1 November. Day delegates are welcome to join on Saturday 2 November at 9am. For more information and to register your interest please contact Fr Jacek Kostuch on jacek.kostuch@pcdtr.org.uk or vocation@pcdtr.org.uk

The Safeguarding Office - Support for victims of abuse

The Safeguarding Office provides advice and support to all victims of abuse, regardless of whether this is something happening currently or that happened in the past. We work with individuals who have been abused within the church, as well as in other settings. We are not here to blame, judge or make excuses for the abuser. We are here to help all those who have experienced abuse or are still in an abusive situation, by providing support, advice, and signposting to relevant organisations. Our dedicated team of safeguarding professionals work closely with other agencies both locally and nationally including the Police, Probation, Social Services, and to standards that are set out by the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency. Please contact us for a confidential conversation. You can call us on 01364 645430 (Monday to Friday from 9:00am – 4:30pm) or e-mail us on safeguarding@pcdtr.org.uk

Support for Pensioners on Low Incomes

An estimated 880,000 low-income pensioner households eligible for pension credit currently fail to claim it and a deadline is approaching. The government says it is worth an average of £3,900 a year, but it is also a gateway to other financial support such as winter fuel payments. If you know a pensioner on a low income, please encourage them to check if they could be eligible for pension credit. This can be done online through www.gov.uk/pension-credit-calculator or people can get advice via phone on weekdays - 0800 99 1234. There is a leaflet with more details and advice at the back of the Church or you can get a copy by emailing caritas@pcdtr.org.uk or calling 01364 645421.

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.

Diocesan Newsletter

You are warmly invited to please sign up to the diocesan newsletter to receive the latest news about and from our Bishop-Elect Philip Moger! We will be publishing some special editions in the lead up to his installation, with the first one welcoming Bishop-elect Philip. To register please visit: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/h/t/A561A3216C433494>. To view the first special edition of the Diocesan newsletter, please visit: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-5E3A54C5D11C17F32540EF23F30FEDED>

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 Hours

Mon, Tue, Thurs, & Fri. 8.30 - 12.30
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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.
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Principal: Rob Meech

Chair of Governors: Lydia Cawsey

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

Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.