

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 B) Psalter Week 2 Sunday 1st September

BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES			
Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	31st	10:00 10:30	Thanksgiving <i>Confession and Exposition</i>
Sunday	1st	09:30 18:30	22nd Sunday in OT Catherine Sheila Gilligan RIP
Tuesday	3rd	10:00	St Gregory the Great Fr Peter Morgan (Anniversary of Ordination)
Wednesday	4th	10:00	Ciaran Beades RIP
Thursday	5th	10:00	The Care of Creation
Friday	6th	10:00	Thanksgiving for the Sacred Heart
Saturday	7th	10:00 10:30	The Sick and Housebound <i>Confession and Exposition</i>
Sunday	8th	09:30 18:30	23rd Sunday OT Teresa and Albert Lucas The People of the Parish
SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES			
Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	31st	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	7th	17:30	Paul and Rita's Wedding Anniversary

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.

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 2nd September. To apply, please contact recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk.

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (01/09/24)

The annual World Day of prayer for the Care of Creation offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that He has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy of the sins committed against the world in which we live.

The Popes Intention for September: For the cry of the Earth.

Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

CWL Meeting (03/09/24)

The next CWL meeting will take place on Tuesday 3rd September at 10.30am in the Presbytery.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (08/09/24)

Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday 8th September .

Invitation: Catholic Parish Outing to Ilfracombe Lifeboat Station (11/09/24)

Your golden opportunity to step aboard Ilfracombe's working lifeboat. Wednesday 11th Sept, 13.30. Details on poster in narthex, or chat to organisers Colin or Clare after Mass. All welcome, but regrettably this is only for adults, 18+.

Foodbank/ Freedom Centre collections

- St Joseph's: 14/09/24
- St Mary's: 29/09/24

Volunteers needed in the parish:

- **Flower Arrangers.**
Please contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer to help with the flowers arrangements at St Mary's Church. No experience needed. Everyone welcome.
- **Children's Liturgy Helpers at 9.30am Mass**
The Children's liturgy sessions are very well attended and we need some more helpers. We would welcome some adults to help the children with the activity we provide about once a month. You will need to be DBS checked due to safeguarding regulations but this is now a quick form on the computer. Speak to any Children's liturgy leader or Fr. Peter

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.

First Holy Communion 2025

If your child is in year 4 or over this coming September, 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, as we are planning to start classes in October 2024. Thank you.

Eucharistic Congress (14/09/24)

Oscott, Birmingham. A coach will leave our diocese to take pilgrims from across our five deaneries to this faith-affirming national event. It will include talks, mass and a procession. Please ring (01202) 746539 or email christopher.findlay@predtr.org.uk ASAP if would like to join us.

Youth Rally 2024 (28/09/24)

£10. Please join us at St Rita's in Honiton for the infamous Youth Rally on Saturday 28th September 2024. As usual there are many activities for all to join in, including the obstacle course, penalty shoot out and various inflatable activities. Young people from 6 – 16 are welcome to form teams of 6 to compete against others. Do not worry if you can't find a group of 6. I will combine you with another parish. For booking and further questions please contact, Saskia: youth@predtr.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.

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)

<p>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</p>	<p>Parish Primary School Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Chanter's Hill, Barnstaple. EX32 8DN Tel: 01271 345164 Principal: Rob Meech Chair of Governors: Lydia Cawsey</p>
<p><i>Safeguarding Rep. (Barnstaple): Ruth O'Donovan (Tel: 01271 342493)</i> <i>Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.</i></p>	