

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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## Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Psalter Week 2 Sunday 29th September

### BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	28th	10:00 10:30	Edward Paynter RIP <b><i>Confession and Exposition</i></b>
Sunday	29th	09:30 18:30	<b>26th Sunday OT</b> <b><i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i></b> Thanksgiving for COS Pauline Mason
Tuesday	1st	10:00	<b>St Thérèse of the child Jesus</b> Eve and Gerald Forth RIP
Wednesday	2nd	10:00	<b>The Holy Guardian Angels</b> The Sick and Housebound
Thursday	3rd	10:00	The Care of Creation
Friday	4th	10:00	<b>St Francis of Assisi</b> Thanksgiving for the Sacred Heart
Saturday	5th	10:00 10:30	Mariam Thomas RIP <b><i>Confession and Exposition</i></b>
Sunday	6th	09:30 15:30 18:30	<b>27th Sunday OT</b> <b><i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i></b> Thanksgiving Syro-Malabar Mass The People of the Parish

### SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	28th	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	5th	17:30	The Recently Deceased

### **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).

### **Bishop Elect for the Diocese of Plymouth**

Bishop Philip Moger has been announced as the Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Plymouth. Bishop Philip was a priest of the Diocese of Leeds for over 40 years, and for the last two years has served as the Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark Archdiocese. He will be installed on 9th November at the Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth.

### **Fr Adrian Toffolo: Thank you**

Fr Adrian has asked us to pass along his greetings and thanks to all those who remembered him on his 80th birthday. He received many thoughtful cards and messages from members of the parish.

### **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 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. Thank you.

### **CWL Meeting (01/10/24)**

The next CWL meeting will be on Tuesday, 1st October, after Mass in the Presbytery.

### **Upcoming Second Collection: (06/10/24):**

CAFOD, Harvest Fast Day. Envelopes for Gift Aiders can be found in the Narthex or at the back of Church.

### **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.

### **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.

## **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](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@pcdtr.org.uk)

## **Jubilee photography project**

As we prepare for the year of Jubilee, Caritas Diocese of Plymouth would like to invite you to reflect on Care for Creation and how we live this out in our churches and communities today. To explore this issue, Caritas would like to collect and share photographs by parishioners of people and places in the diocese. We would like to explore three themes that call to mind the reflected glory of the Lord in the beautiful world we are asked to care for. The themes are Beauty, Good Choices and Humanity. To find out more please follow the link <https://wp.me/paTncV-a2d>

## **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](mailto:safeguarding@pcdtr.org.uk)

## **Volunteers needed in the parish: Children’s Liturgy 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.

### **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><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> Claire Spears <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. (Barnstaple): Ruth O'Donovan (Tel: 01271 342493)</i></b> <i>Please contact her if you have any safeguarding concerns.</i></p>	