

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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## Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Psalter Week 1 Sunday 22nd September

### BARNSTAPLE SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	21st	10:00	<b>St Matthew - Apostle and Evangelist</b> Alison Comer
		10:30	<b><i>Confession and Exposition</i></b>
Sunday	22nd	09:30	<b>25th Sunday OT</b> <b><i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i></b> David Isaac RIP
		18:30	Ruth Szymankiewicz RIP
Tuesday	24th	10:00	<b>Our Lady of Walsingham</b> Achamma Mathew RIP
Wednesday	25th	10:00	Lise Clift
Thursday	26th	10:00	<b>NO MASS</b>
Friday	27th	10:00	<b>St Vincent de Paul</b> Thanksgiving for OSCE
Saturday	28th	10:00	Edward Paynter RIP
		10:30	<b><i>Confession and Exposition</i></b>
Sunday	29th	09:30	<b>26th Sunday OT</b> <b><i>(with Children's Liturgy)</i></b> Thanksgiving for COS
		18:30	

### SOUTH MOLTON SERVICE TIMES

Date		Time	Feasts & Mass Intentions
Saturday	21st	17:30	The People of the Parish
Saturday	28th	17:30	The People of the Parish

*Please note there will be no Mass on Thursday 26th.*

## **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. I know you will join me in extending a warm welcome as he begins his new ministry in our Diocese. Bishop-elect Philip will be installed on 9th November at the Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth.

## **New Missals**

The Lectionary, which is the book containing the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. As a result, all existing personal Sunday and Weekday Missals won't have the same reading and psalm words as will be used during Masses. New Sunday Missals are available for pre-order, through the Catholic Truth Society, with a release date of October 14th. The prices are:

- Standard Edition (red only): £19.95
- Paperback Sunday Missal (red only): £9.95
- Presentation Missal (inc. slip cover, Burgundy or White): £29.95

If you would like to purchase a Missal through the parish, please contact the parish office. Closing date: Monday, 30th September.

## **Book Group (25/09/24)**

The book group will be meeting at 7pm in the Presbytery on Wednesday 25th September to discuss "Before the Coffee Gets Cold" by Toshikazu Kawaguchi.

## **World Day of Migrants and Refugees Event (26/09/24)**

*"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"* Matthew 25:35. To celebrate World Day of Migrants and Refugees, Caritas are hosting an event titled *A Culture of Welcome* at Sacred Heart Church Rooms, Exeter, 6pm-8pm, to discuss how we can be a welcoming and supportive community. We will hear from speakers from the Catholic Association for Racial Justice and a local welcome group. Light refreshments on arrival. To register, click <https://forms.office.com/e/Vy5SSZvZ0g> or email [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk) or phone 01364 645425.

## **Foodbank/ Freedom Centre collections**

- St Mary's: 29/09/24
- St Joseph's: 12/10/24

**Upcoming Second Collection:** 06/10/24: CAFOD, Harvest Fast Day

### **Barnstaple Marathon: Road Closures (29/09/24)**

Please be advised that there will be road closures on Sunday 29th September, to allow for the Barnstaple Marathon. Affected roads include Belle Meadow Road, Taw Vale and the Long Bridge. They will be inaccessible from 8.45am to, at least, 10.15am. For more information, and to see diversions, please visit: <https://one.network/?tm=GB139141849>.

### **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. Come and join us with 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 on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 10am (tea/coffee) 10.30-3pm. (Mass at 12noon) To reserve, email: [deborah.vankroonenburg@predtr.org.uk](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@predtr.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@predtr.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@predtr.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

### **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.

### **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.

### **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  
St. Mary's Church House, Higher  
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.  
EX32 8DN

Tel: 01271 345164

**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.*