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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 27TH JULY 2025—17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— (Year C)

Sunday 27th July	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.00am	Mass Int: World day for Grandparents and the Elderly
Friday 1 August	9.25am Adoration
	10.00am Mass
Sunday 3rd August	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.00am	Mass Int: for William George Spratt (RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

A very warm welcome to all our Visitors

Please pray for ...

those whose anniversaries occur during the month of July: Ian Clark, David Kay, Anne McMahon, Elizabeth Parker, Derek Parker, Mark Kay, Mainy Kilpatrick, Kathleen Larter

the sick and/or housebound including: Kit Cook, Ian Kilpatrick, Paul & Jan Demery, Geoff Luckman, Ian Wood, Audrey Campbell, Jean Rose, Jeff Moles and Corrie Grice.

Today is World Day for the Elderly and Grandparents 27 July. In 2021, Pope Francis instituted a Church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, to be held on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. It helps us to remember that the elderly are a gift, and we have a duty to ensure that they are looked after well in their final years.

The Holy Father has chosen the theme of the Fifth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, to be held this year on Sunday 27 July: **"Blessed are those who have not lost hope"**. These words, taken from the Book of Sirach, express the blessedness of the elderly and indicate hope placed in the Lord as the way to a Christian and reconciled old age.

In the Jubilee year, the Day, established by Pope Francis in 2021, is intended to be an opportunity to reflect on how the presence of grandparents and the elderly can become a sign of hope in every family and church community.

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Children's Liturgy: This Sunday, 27 July, will be the last Children's Liturgy until September 2025. Participating children need to be supervised by a parent/carer.

Confirmation: Any young people who would like to discuss Confirmation, please contact Gill.

Coffee Morning Fundraiser: If you would like to host a Coffee Morning fundraiser in August, please contact Maria Neal.



Year of Jubilee - Jubilee of Catechists

"My teaching is not mine, but His who sent me." John 7:16

A day for catechists and those interested in catechesis.
10.00am - 16.00pm, September 27, at Buckfast Abbey.

Speakers include : Dr Pat McGovern and the LIFT Team from Truro and Deacon Tim van Kroonenburg.

To book please contact
plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk

Closure of St Peter's – Crownhill

The Diocese of Plymouth has closed St Peter's Catholic Church, the car park and the presbytery in Crownhill, Plymouth, from 10 July 2025 as a result of the findings of a structural survey.

Canon Paul Cummins said: "We are very sorry that we have had to close St Peter's church in Crownhill with immediate effect. This is not a decision that we have taken lightly: it was necessary to ensure the safety of our school pupils, parents and teachers as well as the priests, parishioners and staff."

Canon Paul has asked people across the Deanery and Diocese for their continued support and prayers as the parish explores new arrangements to celebrate the sacraments and to provide pastoral support to the local community and to sustain the activities provided at the church. Fr Jonathan Bielawski, the parish priest, is putting arrangements in place so that parishioners will still be able to gather together to worship as a community.

The Diocesan Property Commission will be leading on the next steps for the Church buildings.

Please note: the Closing Date for applications for the vacancy, for the part time post, "Safeguarding Case Worker - Victim/Survivor Support" is tomorrow Monday 28th July 2025. This post is based at St. Boniface House, Ashburton. 21 hours per week – 3 days. Contact recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk

We need you! - Safeguarding Case Worker for Diocese

Plymouth CAST is a Catholic multi-academy trust of 34 schools and 1 nursery, spanning the Diocese of Plymouth. Our mission is to be a community of outstanding schools in which our pupils flourish in safe, happy, and stimulating environments and leave us with the knowledge and skills, personal qualities, and aspirations, to make the world a better place, inspired by the Gospel.

We are looking to expand our Board of Directors. We are particularly interested in hearing from you if you have skills and current or recent experience of education at primary or secondary level, particularly within a multi-academy trust.

Please contact the Clerk to the Trust Board for further information, Mrs Leah Paiano
lpiano@plymouthcast.org.uk

Caritas - World Day Against Trafficking in Persons 30 July 2025: The aim of this day is to raise awareness of the situation of victims of human trafficking and for the promotion and protection of their rights.

You can find out more about Caritas' work to tackle modern slavery on the diocesan website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/caritas-2/refugees-migrants/>

Youth Rally 2025, Saturday 20th September, St Rita's, Honiton. 12 noon-18.00

Aimed at those aged 6-16 years. Come as a team of 6 (over 12's or under 12's) or join a team. It's a fun way to meet others from across the Diocese, have a go at some of the challenges and maybe win a trophy. To book: <https://forms.office.com/e/swtEZ0viqV> For further information: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Diocese of Plymouth Newsletters: Click the following links to read the latest edition of ...

- **Caritas July Newsletter:** the Caritas Diocese of Plymouth newsletter, with news of love in action and upcoming events in our Diocese. <https://tinyurl.com/ys728x94>
- **Diocesan Newsletter for July:** <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-B8279C3D887A1C132540EF23F30FEDED>

Collections: 20th July 2025 - Thank you for your support

Standing Orders: TBA

Loose: £186.05

Card: TBA

Additional Stella Maris: £10

Sunday Mass Attendance: 69

Pope Leo's Intentions for July - For Formation and Discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.