



**Our Lady of the Assumption & St Mary Magdalene
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 4TH JANUARY 2026—SECOND SUNDAY AFTER NATIVITY

Sunday 4th January

Second Sunday After Nativity

9am Mass Int: For Martyn Griffiths

Tuesday 6th January

11:45am Mass The Epiphany Of the Lord (Day of Obligation)

Int: For the People of the Parish

Friday 9th January

9:25 Adoration

10am Mass Int: Ailsa Weaver (RIP)

Sunday 11th January

Baptism Of the Lord

9am Mass Int: Patricia Sparling (RIP)

A very warm welcome to all our visitors

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Please pray for ...

those whose anniversaries occur during the month of January: Maud Egerton, Philippa Egerton, Helena Kelly, Jane Goodall, Gwladys Lloyd, Charles Campbell, Dorothy Goodall, Nicholas Mills-Hicks, Patrick Doherty, Annie Mainwaring, Elizabeth Campbell, Phylis Gillard, Roger Fairfax-Cholmeley.

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, Vivienne Gardner.



Patricia Sparling (RIP) Funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday 13th January at 11.00am. Please come and support family in prayers for her soul.

Children's Liturgy - every Sunday during mass. Please see this weeks leader for instructions.

Catholic Diaries are now for sale in the back of the church. Please come and purchase this useful product.

Mothers and Grandmother's Prayer Group. We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 5.15pm until 6.00pm, to pray for our children and grandchildren. Please see Anne Wood for details.

Rosary Group meet every Tuesday in church at 6pm. All are welcome. If you have intentions you would like put forward to the group, please contact the office.

Prayer Cards are available by Our Lady, St. Joseph and Sacred Heart statues. Feel free to take one and leave voluntary donation. Thank you

Counters We are appealing for help to count the collection after mass. This is done on a rota system once a month and always in pairs. Please speak to Maria Neal if you are interested. Thank you

Request from the refugee family. If you have a spare coffee table you no longer need, please contact Gill Mill to arrange a donation of this to the local family.

Tavistock Area Christians Together - Unity Service & AGM - Sunday 25th January 4-6.30pm, United Reformed Church, Russell Street, Tavistock

You are warmly invited to attend the above as part of The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026; the Unity service will start at 4pm followed by the AGM at around 5.15pm, with refreshments in between. It's always a joy to celebrate together, and a time of great encouragement with updates from the many joint activities, ministries & worship that we participate in together. Do come along to hear what God has been doing through the unity of His church in our town & area!

From around the Diocese and beyond

Diocese of Proclamation! As we look eagerly to a new year of new beginnings, with our newly installed Bishop Nicholas, we remember some highlights from 2025 and share some of what is planned for 2026.

Please click the link: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-3D7B158DDC8192832540EF23F30FEDED>



Teenage Retreat taking place on 23rd-25th January 2026. It is designed to give young people a chance to step back from the busyness of daily life, explore their faith, enjoy fellowship with others their age, and take part in guided reflection, prayer, and activities. For further information contact Saskia - youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Youth Events Weekly Newsletter: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/h/t/8C09255F03B7437F>

Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships.

Next date: 12th February 2026.

www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 07887 296983

UNBOUND Prayer Ministry available in our Diocese. If you feel in need of freedom and inner healing through prayer, and desire a deeper relationship with Jesus, we have ministers trained to help you. Please contact unboundprayerdop@gmail.com or see the poster displayed for more information.

Dilexi Te – The Burning Heart of the Church’s Mission

A day of reflection with Bishop Nicholas Hudson

21 February 2026, 11am-4pm, Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre

Join Caritas and CAFOD this Lent for a diocesan day to reflect on Pope Leo XIV’s powerful Apostolic Exhortation Dilexi Te, which calls us to return to the Gospel and reminds us that love of the poorest of our sisters and brothers is part of the “burning heart of the Church’s mission”.

Hear from our inspirational Speakers: Rt Rev Nicholas Hudson, Bishop of Plymouth; Christine Allen, CAFOD Director; Raymond Friel OBE, CSAN Chief Executive Officer; Fr. Richard Finn OP, University of Oxford.

[Click here to register](#) or email: caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

TIME FOR A CLEAROUT? Perhaps you are thinking of having a sort through some of those cupboards and drawers you’ve been meaning to do since the Spring Clean you had planned? You can donate your unwanted items through the **Catholic Children’s Society (Plymouth)’s Orange Box** recycling scheme and turn clutter into cash for a very good cause. Since the scheme was introduced in 2011, we have raised a whopping **£52,319.72** which is an absolutely staggering amount of money. And in 2025 alone, so far we have raised just over **£31,000** which is a phenomenal amount of money. Thank you to each and every parish, school and individual supporter who have been so generous over the last 14 years.

Items that can be put into your parish Orange Box include: stamp collections- first day covers or old envelopes and postcards pre 1950, **coins and banknotes** – any and all, old and new, from all over the world, obsolete or otherwise, **precious metals** -including broken jewelry, old trophies, gold, silver etc, **metals including ornaments** -metal toys, keys and locks, metal cutlery – any age and any condition, **costume jewelry, medals, small antiques and collectibles, watches** – digital, quartz or manual wind – working or not, **any Catholic religious memorabilia** such as rosaries, crucifixes.

Our parish orange box is located in the nave, next to the stall with cards and publications.

Catholic Bishops Conference link: <https://mailchi.mp/cbcew/latest-from-the-catholic-bishops-conference-of-england-and-wales-1634717?e=a09aa30cbe>

The Catholic Network Link: <https://www.thecatholicnetwork.co.uk/15245?>

Collections: 21st , 28th December 2025 - Thank you for your support

Standing Orders: £370 Loose Plate: £110.82 Card: £143 Mass Attendance: 21st -70, 28th-43

Collections from Vigil Mass and Christmas Day will be announced soon

Pope Leo’s Intentions for January - For Prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.