



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

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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2026—FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Sunday 1st February

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Racial Justice Day)

9am Mass Int: Bob Tucker (RIP)

Friday 6th February

9:25am Adoration

10am Mass Int: Gareth Harries (RIP)

Sunday 8th Feb

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Day for Victims of Human Trafficking and those, who work to combat it)

9am Mass Int: Anne Stanton (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 February: Margaret Lambert, Arthur Hewett, Patrick Garrity, Linda Chilvers

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

This Sunday, 1st February is Racial Justice Sunday and the theme this year is: "Whoever loves God must also love his brother" (1 John 4:21): Promoting Racial Justice in our Parishes. Click [here](#) to watch a short video message from Bishop Paul McAleenan, from the Bishop's Conference. True love recognises the value of everyone." Let us today commit to love our neighbours from every nation and every race.

Change in Parish Office opening time. From February the Parish Office will be open :

Weds 12noon- 5pm, Thu- Fri 9am -1:30pm

Additionally, please note, that on 19th and 20th February the office will be closed due to annual leave.

Parish Newsletter will be issued as normal.

Audrey Campbell's (RIP) Funeral Mass will take place on  Wednesday 11th February at 12 noon. Please come and support family in prayers for her soul.

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

Next Product Stall will be on Sunday 15th February. Then not until after Easter. Thank you

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.

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.

2026 Plymouth Diocese Yearbook is now available to purchase for a voluntary donation from the stall in the back of the church.

Key Holder Register We are appealing to everyone who is the key holder to any part of the Church to come forward either personally or via Parish email. For the insurance purposes we need to have an up to date information. Thank you to those who already reported back.

Food Bank Tavistock is asking to kindly donate the following: long-life milk, tinned meat, tinned tomatoes, fruit juice, tinned fish. Thank you

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 9th -16th June 2026. There is a proposed pilgrimage to Medjugorje this year. All-in cost will be approximately £750. Please contact Stephen Silvester for more information on 07810 305605 or stephen.silvester@btinternet.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society. For decades, SVP work has been rooted in one simple belief: the greatest gift we can offer another person is our time. We call this befriending — a commitment to person - to - person support, companionship, and genuine human connection. Our volunteer members visit and assist anyone in need, regardless of faith, ethnicity, status, or sexual orientation. Membership is open to all. We are actively recruiting for new members, so please contact us as per details below. **Please contact Angela Watson via the OLA Parish Office** for info about the monthly meetings

From around the Diocese and beyond

Inspire, Saturday 14th March 2026, Buckfast Abbey. 11-18.00 Youth Events would like to welcome young people **aged 12-24** to Inspire. Inspire is a **festival** of musicians, speakers and workshops encouraging young people to explore how Christ is rooted in their lives. Details on the bands, speakers and workshop will e released over the coming week. Tickets are **£30 per person**. **Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult**. For further information contact Saskia or Ruby: youth@prcdtr.org.uk or to book: [Inspire 2026 Parish Booking Form – Fill in form](#)

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. Contact unboundprayerop@gmail.com or see the poster displayed for more information.

LENT COURSE: SPRINGTIME FOR THE SOUL: Thursdays in Lent in the Parish Hall at 7.30-9pm. Week 1:- What makes us human and grace perfects ; Week 2 :- Doing the right thing - law, morals and virtue ; Week 3 :- How sin happens - temptation and enemies of the soul ; Week 4 :- Vices and virtues – counsels; Week 5 :- Growing closer to Christ - aids to sanctification. Father Ian will give the teaching with opportunities to ask questions. It is a great opportunity to grow in understanding of the spiritual life in the Catholic Tradition. We start on the Thursday after Ash Wednesday (19th Feb).

Diocese of Plymouth Links - Click the links to visit following pages:

Diocese Newsletter email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-e-gudz-jdidykstr-a/

Caritas January Newsletter To read news of love in action around our diocese and upcoming events and dates, please click: <https://tinyurl.com/583wpdn7>

GATHER 2026 conference will take place at the Livermead Cliff Hotel Torquay, Friday 20 – Sunday 22 March 2026. The conference has been running for many years and the feedback we have received is that it is appreciated and enjoyed by all who attend. We are very pleased that Bishop Nicholas will be joining us on Saturday and presiding at Mass and preaching on Sunday. Please find the leaflet and the booking form in the back of the church.

Towards a synodal church – Conversations in the Spirit How do we listen to each other well? How do we step back from our own agendas to be attentive to where the Spirit is moving? How can we make better decisions about organising ourselves as Christian communities? How do we enrich our parish communal life with enriching conversations? The Synod process has emphasised the importance of listening and good conversations in our community life. However, these are not always so easy in practice!

Blessed Sacrament Exeter are hosting a one day face-to-face facilitator training workshop with Fr Matthew Nunes, Director of the School for Synodality. This Conversations in the Spirit workshop will run on Saturday 21st February and will introduce the principles of holding prayerful, truthful and safe conversations which value gracious listening and courageous speaking. It is suitable for all levels of experience, including people who have not been involved in the Synod process so far. All parishioners from across the diocese are very welcome to attend - please email exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk to let us know you're coming. We're asking for a contribution of just £10 per person to cover costs - pay on the day. Please bring a packed lunch! 9:30am tea and coffee for a 10am start, 3:30pm finish, Saturday 21st February, Richard Reynolds Centre, Blessed Sacrament Church, 29 Fore Street, Heavitree, EX1 2QJ.

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

Collections: 25/01/2026

Loose Plate: £204.54

Card: £58

Standing Order: £165

Mass Attendance: 65

Crib Appeal (Catholic Children Society Plymouth): £20 (£92.73 total to date)



Pope Leo's Intentions for February - For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.