



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

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**WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 12TH APRIL 2026—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

<b>Sunday 12th April</b>	<b>Second Sunday Of Easter Octave Day of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)</b>
	<b>9am</b> Mass Int: People of the Parish
<b>Friday 17th April</b>	<b>9:25</b> Adoration
	<b>10am</b> Mass Int: People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 19th April</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>
	<b>9am</b> Mass Int: OBP Cecilia Ama Abadji (RIP)

The Apostles Creed' is used in place of the Nicene Creed during Lent (approx.6 weeks) and Easter (7 Sundays)  
*Please stay for refreshments after Sunday Mass*

*A very warm welcome to all our visitors*

*Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment*

✠ **Please pray for ...** ✠

**those whose anniversaries occur during the month of March:** Jennie Spratt, Margaret Silcox, Madeline Farrell, Martha Lee, Sister Bernadette, Norah Fairfax-Cholmeley, Mary Preston, Joan Tipple, Kathleen Casserley, Gerard Matthews, John Moyse, Agnes Bratchley, Irene Collins, Thomas Peirson, Evelyn Kemp, Joan Corley, Theresa Yelland, Janet Woods, Maureen Davies, John Sutherland, Robert James, David Jarvis, Thomas Ronan, Nora Start, Daniel Kilpatrick

**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, Michael Sparring

**Angelas SVP Marathon.** Chair of the Tavistock SVP is taking on the daunting challenge of running the Dartmoor Marathon on April 12th this year. She hopes to raise £1,000 to provide support for local families – many with young children - who are really struggling in the current economic crisis.

The Dartmoor Marathon is one of the most physically gruelling endurance runs in the UK: but Angela is inspired to take on this challenge to raise these much needed funds to help families in our Tavistock Community who are in severe need. Please donate by justgiving link: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/angela-svp> by card via our card payment machine in the back of the church by choosing SVP Dartmoor Marathon or directly to the SVP bank Sort Code: 60-60-04, Acc. No. 51293285, Acc. Name: Saint Vincent de Paul (England And Wales) or cash in the basket in the back of the church. Good luck, Angela!

**Next Product Stall 26th April** after Mass. Donations of produce (cakes/cookies of crafts) will be gratefully received.

**Hospitality group** We would like to invite you to join our hospitality group to help with refreshments after Sunday masses and occasional fundraising event. If you are interested in helping, please see the tea and coffee servers after mass or express your interest contacting the parish office.

**Tavistock Foodbank** is requesting following items: Tinned meat, not curry, coffee, tea, jam, microwavable rice, tinned carrots, pasta sauces. *Thank you*

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

**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 Wednesday of the month at 5.15pm until 6.00pm, to pray for our children and grandchildren. Please see Anne Wood for details.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** For those wishing to make their Confirmation, please speak Gill Mill at the end of mass or email the Parish Office.

**Parish Safeguarding Team:** Jane Lumley, Fr. Anil, Jola Kawalek. Contact via Parish Office

**Our Lady of the Assumption is part of Plymouth Diocesan Trust. (Registered Charity No 213227)**

## From around the Diocese and beyond

**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](mailto:unboundprayerop@gmail.com) or see the poster displayed for more information.

**Rise to Our Cause on Ascension Thursday** Following the success of our three previous CCSP Ascension Day (St Cuthbert Mayne in Launceston, St Mary's in Poole and at Buckfast Abbey) this year's 'Rise to Our Cause' event is being held at The Assumption of Our Lady in Torquay on Thursday, 14 May 2026.

The event will start with Holy Mass in the church at 12.00 noon, followed by a two-course hot lunch kindly prepared by the parish. Following lunch we will hear our Guest Speakers - John and Myfanwy Quine from Ashbourne, Derbyshire.

Over the last two decades, John and Myfanwy have witnessed incredible movements of God in their lives and in the lives of many others. They are eager to share how God has responded to their prayers, revealing some truly amazing miracles.

Tickets cost £15 and can be ordered by emailing [vicki.dunstone@ccsplymouth.org.uk](mailto:vicki.dunstone@ccsplymouth.org.uk) or calling the CCSP office on 01364 645420 visiting the parish office at The Assumption of Our Lady, Torquay. All proceeds from this event, will go towards helping vulnerable children and families living in our Diocese. There will also be a raffle on the day to help raise money for CCSP.

**Vicariate for Catechesis and Evangelisation - Shifting to Family-Centred Formation Summer Term 2026** Wednesday evenings at 7pm online, beginning Wednesday April 15 2026. This workshop considers parish ministry centred on family catechesis, in which the parish helps families by providing the education, encouragement, and accompaniment they need. The seven weekly sessions aim to support families as well as catechists and anyone interested in family faith formation. Spend just one hour a week with others online, in prayerful reflection on the topic.

To find out more, or receive a link please contact [deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk)

**Sunday 26 April is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations**, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. It is an opportunity to pray for vocations and to encourage those who may be considering ordained or religious life. The Diocese of Plymouth also asks for your assistance in supporting our seminarians through their training and formation, both through prayer and financial support. If you are able to contribute to our **Seminarians' Fund** we would be grateful for your donations at the retiring collection or you can donate online at <https://priesthoodplymouth.co.uk/donate>

**Heatree Residential 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> May**, 'Go make disciples of all nations' Matt 28:19 Heatree is an outdoor activity centre based on Dartmoor. The weekend is open to those aged 9 - 12 (school years 5 - 7). whilst enjoying high ropes and raft building (amongst other activities) young people will have the chance to explore the Sunday readings through discussion, crafts and games. Cost £90. To book follow the link: [Heatree 2026 15th-17th May - Fill in form](#) Further information email; Saskia or Ruby: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

**SPUC Silent Pro-life Chains of Witness: 25<sup>th</sup> April 11am - 1pm** Recent legislation now proposes allowing a mother, in respect of her own pregnancy, to abort her baby up to the moment of birth. Every baby has the right to life from the moment of conception until natural death. Each conceived baby, whatever its condition, or how it was conceived, has a soul, and is made in the image and likeness of God. **We will, therefore, stand in silence for 2 hours for the 11 million babies aborted since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act in the UK.** Join us along the pavement in Exeter Street, Plymouth, outside the Friary Mill Retail Complex, to hold placards in defence of the right to life from conception. Thousands of cars pass and see our message. By your presence, you will be a voice for the unborn. They cannot speak up for themselves. What we are asking is only for 2 hours, once per year. Please make this a priority. Further info: Society for the Protection of Unborn Children: Chris Hudson - 07742320717

**A Deeper Dive into the Catechism of the Catholic Church** begins Summer Term 2026.

**Monday evenings at 7pm online, from Monday April 13, 2026.**

Spend just one hour a week with others online, going gently but deeply and prayerfully into the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Sessions are for catechists, those who hope to be catechists, those seeking to know more about their faith, anyone interested in discovering more about the teaching of the Church, in fact anyone who is interested.

To find out more, or receive a link please contact [deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk)

**Stepping into Stillness an introduction to contemplative praying and Living, April 20th - 24th 2026.**

An Introduction to the Gries Path of Prayer as well as an opportunity for a short retreat for those familiar with this way of prayer. For further details: Contact the retreat co-ordinator Paddy Rylands [paddyrylands@gmail.com](mailto:paddyrylands@gmail.com)

**Contemplative Retreats at St. Rita's Centre, Honiton, Devon**

### **Collections: 5/04/2026 ~Thank you**

**Loose Plate:** £231.22    **Holy Places:** £ 115.81    **Card:** £112 (to include £30 for SVP)    **Standing Order:** £615  
**Mass Attendance:** 81



### **Pope Leo's Intentions for April - For priests in crisis**

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.