



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

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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2026—FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday	3rd May	Fifth Sunday Of Easter		
		9am	Mass	Int: Frank Ward (RIP)
Friday	8th May	9:25	Adoration	
		10am	Mass	Int: People of the Parish
Sunday	10th May	Sixth Sunday of Easter		
		9am	Mass	Int: Thomas and Mary Lumley (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 May: Theresa Palastre, Charles Hall, Leslie Smith, Luke Joseph Glancy, Winifrid Thom, Major Albert Booth, Thomas George Gidley, Patricia Ann Eastbury, Frank Stanley Williams, Mary Elizabeth Swallow, Anthony Maxwell Hill, Christopher Robin Start, Kerri Louise Sheerin, Pamela Anne Crowley Brown, Theresa May Yelland, Francis Farrell, Richard Lee, Josie Holwell, Katharine Fitzgerald, Mark William John Gillett and Dennis Joseph McMahan, Frank Ward

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 Sparling

Correction of the information from the last newsletter. Apologies regarding the parish hall charges information given in the previous issue. It was printed in error. Please ignore the previous information.

Michael and Lucy Hayes are celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary. We would like fellow parishioners to join us for mass on 15th May at 10am and then for tea/coffee and cake afterwards. If you need to know more, contact Michael or Lucy on: 01822 853 679

Next product stall date 31st May after Mass. Donations of produce—cakes/cookies, crafts, plants will be gratefully received.

Cream Tea Fundraiser change of date. Pencil in your diary the date for the next Cream Tea which will be on Saturday 11th July at Mary Bell's lovely garden in Calstock. Details to follow.

Parish Lunch Everyone is invited to a Parish Lunch. **Date: 27th June, 12:30pm.** It will be a bring and share lunch. Sign up list will be available soon in the back of the church. We are looking forward to it very much.

Ann Ruth from Yelverton Church is looking for teams for Diocesan Quiz on the 8th of May. Details of the quiz on next page in yellow box. If you are interested, contact Jola in the office.

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.

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

Parish Safeguarding Team: Jane Lumley, Fr. Anil, Jola Kawalek. **Contact:** 01364 645 430 or safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk

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 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 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.

Great Big Diocesan Quiz - FRIDAY, 8 May 2026 Is your parish able to join us for this year's Great Big Diocesan Quiz? It would be great to have a bumper quiz this year and raise the most amount of money, as the number of applications we are receiving to our Essential Grants programme has risen dramatically in the last year. If you would like to take part, please let me know and I will add your parish to the list and will send more details in due course. If you have never been involved before but would like to take part, I am more than happy to have a quick chat with you so please give me a call or send me an email thank you. **Fundraising for Catholic Children's Society. To take part contact: 01364 645420 or vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk**

Heatree Residential 15th - 17th 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

Interested in training and volunteering as a Relationship Counsellor? Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support and we are currently looking for those who are empathetic, understanding and have an enthusiasm for supporting adult relationships, to train on our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) and volunteer with us. This is a great opportunity to make a real difference to couples and families. Please note that there are costs associated with training on our CRC. These costs are far lower than with alternative training providers. In line with our ethos as a charity, no one is excluded on the basis of their ability to pay.

To find out more please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

ST. RITA'S OF CASCIA FEAST DAY ON FRIDAY 22nd MAY 2026 AT ST RITA'S CENTRE

Principal Celebrant: Father Jose Romero OAR. The day will begin with Mass at 12 noon, followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. Two shops will be open that day for the sale of religious articles; you can also make your orders on our website www.stritascentre.org and collect your items on site on the feast day. Hot drinks will be available all day, but visitors should bring a packed lunch. The day will conclude with Benediction at 3 pm. We would advise early arrival as car parking can be difficult if you arrive after 11.30 am. Car parking stewards will be on duty to help you, and there will be a small army of volunteers working in various places helping to ensure a smooth running of the day and a happy feast day for everyone.

If you have any questions, please contact Krista Radzina on 01404 42635

Westminster assisted suicide Bill has fallen The assisted suicide Bill has failed to pass all stages in the House of Lords. This means that Kim Leadbeater's assisted suicide Bill has fallen and will not become law! This is a major milestone, but the battle is not over. Assisted suicide campaigners have said they are going to try to bring the Bill back in the next parliamentary session and use the Parliament Acts to bypass the Lords.

To find out more about this significant milestone and what comes next, visit: <https://righttolife.org.uk/LeadbeaterBillFalls>

Plymouth Diocese is hiring:

Bishops Executive Assistant: Hours: 35 hours a week **Location:** Bishop's House, 45 Cecil Street, Plymouth, PL1 5HW

Closing date: Wednesday 13 May 2026 at 12pm.

Communications Officer: Hours: 35 hours a week, **Location:** St Boniface House, Ashburton, Newton Abbot, TQ13 7JL with regular attendance at Cathedral House, 45 Cecil Street, Plymouth, PL1 5HW, plus some out of hours work, **Closing date:** Monday 11 May 2026

For more information and/or an application form, please contact Avocet Commercial Careers.

Email: sophia@avocetlegal.co.uk Telephone: 01392 642518

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

Diocese News: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-EB016AF080443C792540EF23F30FEDED>

Caritas: [Caritas - Diocese of Plymouth](#)

Catholic Bishops Conference [Catholic Church in England and Wales - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#)

The Catholic Network: [After two Jewish men stabbed in London, government must act now on growing antisemitism - The Catholic Directory](#)

Collections: 26/04/2026 ~Thank you

Loose Plate: £249.36

Card: £90.17

Standing Order: -

Mass Attendance: 65



Pope Leo's Intentions for May - That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food