



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

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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026—22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Sunday, 30th August	9am	Mass 22nd Sunday in ordinary Time	Int: For Baby Huw
		Second Collection - Catholic Children's Society	
Friday, 4th September	9:25	Adoration	
	10am	Mass	Int: People of the Parish
Sunday, 6th September	9am	Mass 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Int: Jerzy Luczkowski (RIP)

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 August Mary Elizabeth Power, Charlotte Smurthwaite, Kathleen Edgell, Winifred Watson, Terence Wildash, Sybil Phyllis Cormack, Rowan Webb, Timothy John Barrett, Patricia Anne Bloom, William George Spratt, Robert Fitzgerald, Margaret Smith, Kenneth Maude, Charles Frith, Keith Moyse, Gladys Weaver, Arthur Cecil Start, Vicky Mary Kay, Alan Williams, Rio Webb, Walter Alfred Moss, Anna Maria Guiseppina Pelosi, Gareth David Harries & Angela Williams

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

St. Vincent De Paul Society. The SVP meets here in the church on the last Tuesday of every month at 18:30. Inspired by Christ's call to love our neighbour as ourselves, we work to offer practical support, companionship, and a spirit of justice to those who need it. The greatest gift we can share is our time. If you would like to join the SVP or if you are in need of our support, please contact the OLA office and leave your 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.

Tavistock Foodbank is kindly asking for tinned fruit, tinned meat, pot noodles, sponge puddings, jam. Thank you

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.

Heritage Open Days in our church **12th and 19th September, 11am-3pm** Please spread the word about the event. We would like many of visitors to enjoy the beauty of our church and learn the history of it.

Thank you to those, who volunteered their time during the event.

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

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

Mass for Marriage. Marriage enriches us all. Please join us at our Celebration of Marriage, at midday in the Cathedral on Saturday, September 12th. The Celebrant will be Bishop Nicholas. Everyone is welcome, including those whose spouses are no longer with them here. Let us know your anniversaries or intentions, or your planned wedding date. For more information please contact: Deborah.vanKroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk

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

SPUC Coach to the annual March for Life in Westminster on Saturday 5th September. The theme for this year's M4L is 'Abortion Hurts the Family'

7am - Coach departs the lay-by in St Boniface Lane outside the demolition site which was St Peter's Church. There is ample parking along the old Tavistock Road leading to the Church of the Ascension and also outside the Church of the Ascension, itself, which is just a 2 minute walk from the departure point. (See attached map)

8am - Pick up at the bottom of Exeter Services (M5)

4.45pm - Leave Westminster

Seats £28pp but some free seats available. Coach cost is £1,720. Donations gratefully received. Further info: Christine Hudson Tel: 07742320717 Email: chrishud78@talktalk.net

Bank transfer details: Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

Sort Code: 40-23-64 Acct. No: 00028983 or payment in cash can be made on the coach.

Do come to protest:

1. The barbaric legislation which was passed in parliament a few months ago allowing women to abort their own babies up to birth.
2. The huge increase in the numbers of abortion since DIY abortion pills were permanently legalised.
3. The re-introduction of the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill again by Lauren Edwards MP (Lab) A Bill which had been scrutinised in the House of Lords and found to be so flawed as to be beyond correction.

To date, fourteen Catholic bishops will be attending the March.



450th Anniversary of St Cuthbert Mayne's Martyrdom. On this is significant anniversary there will be an opportunity to commemorate this Patron of our Diocese with a Pilgrimage in Launceston. It will take place on **Sunday, May 16th 2027.**

The pilgrimage will start from 1:30pm at Town Hall, then into Town Square for a Service at 2.30pm, a Prayer Walk through the town, including St Mary Magdalene Church, Castle Green, Dungeon, on to the Priory, and finishing with a short service in the grounds of St Cuthbert Mayne Church at about 5.00pm.

There will be an opportunity to venerate the relic.

Our own Bishop Nicholas will preside, and the Anglican Bishop of Truro will also be present.

The list of attendants to sign up to is in the back of the church

These are approximate timings for now and will be confirmed nearer the time.

We have started the list of attendants, that everyone is welcome to sign up to in the back of the church.

Prayer Conference. Buckfast Abbey, Saturday Oct 31 & Dec 1. 2026 UNBOUND Freedom in Christ.

A weekend immersion in the inspirational teaching of UNBOUND Deliverance Ministry. A safe, gentle and non-confrontational freedom and inner healing ministry model which helps people reclaim their true identity in Christ. Come and join us as we unpack each of the key themes of the ministry; Repentance & Faith, Forgiveness, Renunciation, Authority, and the Father's Blessing. With an opportunity for a personal prayer session and the chance to claim true freedom in Christ. Weekend tickets from £65. To book [UNBOUND Freedom in Christ Prayer Retreat. Buckfast Abbey, Devon – Fill in form](#) For more information on Unbound Ministry please follow the link: <https://www.unboundprayer.com/>.

Call or email Michele Thompson for more information: 07940453607 or michele.thompson@prcdtr.org.uk

Care for Creation – A Special Year The Year of St Francis 2026 marks the 800th anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's death in 1226. Pope Leo XIV declared that it will be a special year of St Francis in which we are all called to become saints in our world, following St Francis' example. We are called to model a holiness of life and witness to peace. The Season of Creation is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home, starting each year on 1 September and finishing on the feast of St Francis, 4 October.

ONLINE School for Contemplation starting on Sept 22nd 2026, Tuesday Evenings. 7.00pm – 9.00pm. 7 Session On-line (zoom) Introduction to the *Gries Path of Prayer*. Those for whom getting away from home is difficult find this to be a helpful introduction to stepping into a prayer of stillness with God. For further details, contact: Administrator, House of Prayer enquiries@houseofprayer.org.uk

Understanding Abuse free training. The Diocese of Plymouth Safeguarding Team is pleased to host a free Understanding Abuse training event, delivered by FearFree on 26th Sept, 10am-4pm, St Boniface House, Ashburton. This training is open to everyone across the Diocese, including lay people, those involved in pastoral ministry or safeguarding, anyone interested in volunteering for our Chaplaincy for Survivors roles, and victim-survivors. Whether you are looking to deepen your understanding or explore ways to support others, you are warmly welcome to attend. To book your place, you can either: visit Eventbrite and search "Understanding Abuse", scan the QR code on the poster to register or click the following link:



<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-abuse-free-training-day-tickets-1993593889991?aff=oddtcreator>

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

Diocese News July and August: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-47E6F88D98A22DCD2540EF23F30FEDED>

Caritas: Click the link for the August edition to read of love in action around our diocese. <https://tinyurl.com/2rxsuy2z>

Catholic Bishops Conference: <https://mailchi.mp/cbcew/latest-from-the-catholic-bishops-conference-of-england-and-wales-1635222?e=a09aa30cbe>

The Catholic Network: <https://www.thecatholicnetwork.co.uk/news>

Catholic Union: [Catholic Public Engagement for the Common Good](#)

Collections: 23/08/2026 ~ Thank you

Loose Plate: £114.97

Card: £79.47

Standing Order: £275

Mass Attendance: 83



Pope Leo's Intentions for August - For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim Gospel, discovering creative paths to built community