

**SUNDAY READERS , EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & COFFEE TEAM**

**READERS**

SAT 24 MAY 6.00PM MIM/R HIDER

SUN 25 MAY 10.30AM PATRICE/BOB PAICE

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

SAT 24 MAY 6.00PM A RODGERS/DRINA

SUN 25 MAY 10.30AM S KOWAL/J BROWNING/S WILLMOTT/L BETTESWORTH

**COFFEE TEAM** SUN 25 MAY GIAMPAGLIA FAMILY



**Dear Bonus Ball Supporter**



The renewal of the next session is now due. We hope you enjoy the possibility of winning, a cash prize with your own unique number. Prizes continue to be won on a regular basis, so come on in & join the fun !

***New members are very welcome.***

Besides the fun of winning, church funds are supported. For the next six months the cost of £26 can be paid, by cheque (preferred ) made payable to “ Church of the Assumption “ & given to Joy Wells or Richard Hider. You can make a transfer, from your account. To the following Nat. West Bank, **sort 55-70-01, account 06001009.**



**CAFOD Day of Reflection and launch of Debt Campaign.** Saturday 31st May 10.30 to 3pm. Schiller Hall, Buckfast Abbey. Keynote speaker - live link to Fr Charlie Chilufya SJ, director of JENA (Jesuit Justice and Ecology Network, Africa). He has first hand experience of the effects of the debt crisis on those in Africa. The late Pope Francis set us a challenge for Jubilee Year to ‘Cancel Debt, Choose Hope’. This will be a day of reflection and sharing ideas for the debt campaign. All welcome. Booking not necessary, but appreciated:

Email: [plymouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:plymouth@cafod.org.uk) or Tel: 01752 268 768

**The Guild of St Boniface:**

Founded in 1923 and named after the patron of the Diocese, the Guild of St Boniface exists to pray for God’s blessing on the ministry, mission and wellbeing of our Bishop (Diocesan Administrator) and to offer financial support for his ministry in this Diocese and beyond. In his turn, the Bishop celebrates Mass four times a year for all the members. Our previous Bishop appointed Fr Colin Groombridge as Warden of the Guild in 2019. Membership of the Guild is open to everyone over 18 on completion of the application form and enclosing either the Annual or Life subscription.

A membership form and a standing order form can also be requested from your parish priest or from the Secretary/ Treasurer, Susanne Kowal, Assumption of Our Lady, 76 Abbey Rd, Torquay TQ2 5NJ.

**Date for your diary: AGM this year is on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> June, beginning with Mass at 4pm – followed by meeting and refreshments.**



| <b><u>ASSUMPTION</u></b><br><b><u>OFFERINGS 11/05/25</u></b> |         |
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| GIFT AID   | £155.00 |
| LOOSE PLATE  | £451.47 |

| <b><u>HOLY ANGELS</u></b><br><b><u>OFFERINGS 11/05/25</u></b> |        |
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| GIFT AID  | £52.30 |
| LOOSE PLATE   | £51.20 |

**PARISHES OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY ABBEY ROAD**

76 Abbey Road, Torquay, TQ2 5NJ.

**AND HOLY ANGELS CHELSTON**

**Queensway, Chelston, TQ2 6BP**

Presbytery: 01803 294142 **Office: 411193** (9.30to 12.30 Tues to Fri)

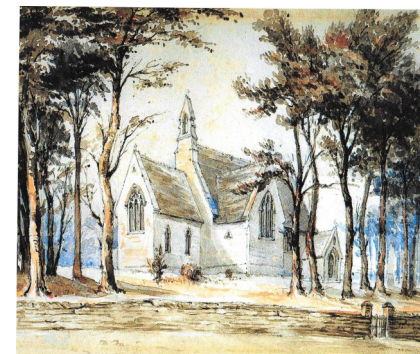
Parish Priest: **Fr Ignatius Maria Joseph**. Deacon: Rev Robert Giampaglia E-mail: [robgiampaglia@sky.com](mailto:robgiampaglia@sky.com)

Parish Secretary: Mrs Joy Wells. Safeguarding Reps Assumption: Andrea Rodgers & Bernadette Hattersley

Safeguarding Reps Holy Angels: Margaret Carson & Andrew Fiderkiewicz

Parish Website: [www.assumptionofourlady.org](http://www.assumptionofourlady.org) E-mail: [torquay-abbeyroad@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:torquay-abbeyroad@prcdtr.org.uk)

Diocesan Website: [www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk](http://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk)



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| Sat 17  | <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>10.00am</b><br><br><b>5.30 - 6.00pm</b><br><b>6.00pm</b>                            | <b><i>Private Intention</i></b><br><b><i>Followed By Confessions</i></b><br><b><i>Rosary</i></b><br><b><i>Canon O'Donnell R.I.P.</i></b><br><b><i>Intentions of John Watts</i></b>  |
| Sun 18  | <b><u>MASS HOLY ANGELS</u></b><br><b>8.30am</b><br><b>9.00am</b><br><br><b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>10.30am</b> | <b><u>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</u></b><br><b><i>Confessions</i></b><br><b><i>John Valentine Hinder R.I.P.</i></b><br><b><i>People &amp; Parishes.</i></b><br><br><b><i>Brian, Gem &amp; Roy Groombridge &amp; Deceased Members of the</i></b><br><b><i>Groombridge &amp; Fletcher Families R.I.P.</i></b><br><b><i>Alfonzo Tello Garay R.I.P.</i></b> |
| Mon 19  | <b>NO MASS</b>   |   |
| Tue 20  | <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>10.00am</b>   | <b><i>Holy Souls</i></b>  |
| Wed 21  | <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>9.30am</b><br><b>10.00am</b>  | <b><i>Morning Prayer</i></b><br><b><i>People &amp; Parishes.</i></b>  |
| Thur 22 | <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>9.30am</b>  | <b><i>Intentions of Betty Murphy</i></b>  |
| Fri 23  | <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>10.00am</b>   | <b><i>The Sick of the Parish</i></b>  |
| Sat 24  | <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>10.00am</b><br><br><b>6.00pm</b>  | <b><u>St Aldhelm of Sherborne</u></b><br><b><i>Chinnamma &amp; Korah—Theru Welt</i></b><br><b><i>Followed by Confessions</i></b><br><b><i>People &amp; Parishes</i></b>   |
| Sun 25  | <b><u>MASS HOLY ANGELS</u></b><br><b>8.30am</b><br><b>9.00am</b><br><br><b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b><br><b>10.30am</b> | <b><i>Confessions</i></b><br><b><i>People &amp; Parishes</i></b><br><br><b><i>Marie Rew R.I.P.</i></b><br><b><i>Michael &amp; Mary Hanley, Alan &amp; Joyce Kenyon R.I.P.</i></b><br><b><i>Wilf Churchward R.I.P.</i></b><br><b><i>Per Kortegaard R.I.P.</i></b>  |



# Habemus Papam We have a Pope!



## A STATEMENT FROM CANON PAUL CUMMINS, DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR

What a joyful evening. God has blessed us with a new shepherd to guide His Church. This is a moment of pure joy and hope for all of us in the Diocese of Plymouth, in England and Wales, and indeed across the world. Thanks be to God for this great gift. The election of a Pope is always a significant moment for the Catholic Church. so I invite you to support Pope Leo XIV in his new ministry of service as we join in prayer for him;

*May the Lord protect him and grant him length of days. Amen.*

*May the Lord be his shield and deliver him from all harm. Amen.*

*May the Lord give him happiness and peace all the days of his life. Amen."*

(Prayer taken from the CBCEW)

## 'I Was Sick & You Visited Me.'

### Please pray for the sick & housebound

Jillian Browning, Jennifer Cayanar, Simon Thomas, Siobhan Berryman, Ann Fisher, Alan Sanders, Julie Hooker, Jacqui Hoath, Roy Bezzina, Doreen Smyth, Virginia Williams, Maureen Vine, Leslie Richardson, Janet Margetts, Barbara Hynes, Hilary & Kevin Johns, Nkosi, Mr Con Allen, Alex Beacroft, Sr Damian, Sr Cosmas, Tony Evans, John Fear, Bernard Hynes, William Baxter, John Adams, Anna, Pat Long, Philip, Claire, Kathleen Rowlands, Stephen Fear, Harry Aldridge, Terry Treleaven, Bernard Sisson, Julie Evans, Mike Smyth & Chris Rodgers.  
Call Julia 297960 to add /omit.

### Pope's Intentions for the month of May

**For The Formation of Religious and Seminarians -**  
*We pray that religious women and men and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation; leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.*

### Question of the Week

**Adults:** When have you seen the power of love overcome a bad situation?

**Children:** Do you believe love is stronger than hate? Why?



**CRAFT CLUB - 2.00pm**

**NEXT MEETINGS TUES 20th MAY**



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

**NEXT MEETING THURSDAY JUNE 12TH**



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024/2025  
MEETING FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS**

**THURSDAY 29TH MAY**

**6PM IN THE PARISH ROOMS**

**RCIA: Journey in Faith**

Next session 22nd May

**6.30-7.30pm** in the Parish Centre.



**Prayer Breakfasts**

**Next Prayer Breakfast Sat 7th JUNE  
at 8.00am In The Main Hall**

**Drina is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom ROSARY meeting.**

**Rosary Meeting every Wednesday at 6.00p.m. Greenwich Mean Time**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77657578466?pwd=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBwS\\_TMPHel2v.1](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77657578466?pwd=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBwS_TMPHel2v.1)

**Meeting ID 776 5757 8466 Password 3cGZSb**

### Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse – Tuesday 20th May

The focus for this year's day of prayer is the theme of "The Empty Chair". Many of us are saddened by reducing numbers in our churches. This is happening for a wide variety of reasons, but our thoughts are on those who are not there because they have suffered abuse in a church setting and cannot face being here. They may be the families or friends of survivors. They may be former members of a community affected by allegations or convictions for abuse.

They may be people who are simply so disgusted or ashamed by what they have heard about abuse within the Church that they no longer want to be part of it. All these groups and others are represented by "The Empty Chair".

**If you have been impacted by abuse and would like to speak to someone, please contact the Safeguarding Office on 01364 645430 (Monday to Friday, 9:00am - 4:30pm).**



**Thanks for those who came to the CCSP quiz last Friday.**

A fun time was had by all. Our quizmaster, in the form of Paul Willmott did a great job. £194 was made for CCSP, the only Catholic charity in the diocese specifically for families & children in great need.

Also, thanks to the team who helped set up for the night and prepare all the ploughman's suppers and those who donated the food and draw prizes, so meaning all monies will go directly to the charity.

### 'Rise to Our Cause' on Ascension Thursday for the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)

Following the success of our two previous CCSP Ascension Day fundraisers, last year at St Mary's in Poole and the previous year at Buckfast Abbey, this year's 'Rise to Our Cause' event is being held at St Cuthbert Mayne in Launceston on Thursday, 29 May 2025. St Cuthbert Mayne Church in Launceston is a sacred site of pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year, and pilgrims can get their pilgrim passport stamped, and venerate the relic of Cuthbert Mayne.

The event will start with Holy Mass in the church at 12.30pm, followed by a two-course hot lunch kindly prepared for us by the parish. Following lunch, our Guest Speaker this year will be Phil McCarthy, the Hearts in Search of God project lead, who will describe his own walking pilgrimages to Rome and Istanbul and reflect on what it means to be a pilgrim of hope in this Jubilee year. To read more about Phil and the work he does promoting the Cornish pilgrimage, visit [www.pilgrimways.org.uk](http://www.pilgrimways.org.uk)

**Our mission is to provide every child with an education which has Christ at its heart. Children have the opportunity to be involved in daily worship as well as receive regular RE lessons from the new "To know you more clearly" religious education directory. Our curriculum is inspired by Gospel values and Catholic Social Justice principles. If you would like to come and have a look around our lovely school then please get in touch. We have one or two places available in most year groups and would love to meet you! Use the QR code below to go to our school website for further information.**



### CAMERAS BEING USED IN CHURCH

**There is a policy in the parish forbidding the use of photography in our church. This is to protect children in particular, as there may be children who cannot have their photos taken for safeguarding reasons.**



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