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

#### **READERS:**

**SAT 13th DECEMBER** 6.00PM A RODGERS / J BEACROFT

SUN 14th DECEMBER 10.30AM D WOTTON / M CARSON

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** 

**SAT 13th DECEMBER** 6.00PM MARIA PADALINO / P EVANS

SUN 14th DECEMBER 10.30AM J CLAY / S KOWAL / T BAILEY / J BROWNING

**COFFEE TEAM: 13th DECEMBER GIAMPAGLIA FAMILY** 

<u>READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – A POLITE REMINDER</u>: If you are unable to read or minister on your rota day, please could ensure that you make an arrangement for someone else to cover your ministry on that day. Contact details in the rota to help facilitate this.

## MEDJUGORJE — Tuesday 2nd /Tuesday 9th June 2026

A Journey of Faith, Peace, and Spiritual Renewal! Please join us on our deeply spiritual 5th Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, where countless pilgrims have experienced peace, healing, and a renewed connection with God and Our Lady.

Return EasyJet flights from Bristol to Split 7 nights half board at Hotel Grace\*\*\*\* £820 per person (based on two sharing) Single Supplement: £140. Deposit: £300 per person when booking. For more information & to book:

Barney Bettesworth - local organiser, T: 01803 606807 E: barney@bettesworths.co.uk

#### **PARISH FAITH COURSES**

Our Parish Faith Group would like to express a heartfelt thanks for the wonderful support shown over the past nine months. Together, we have completed three inspiring courses: The Gift – A Life in the Spirit (April): a six-week journey helping us encounter the Holy Spirit and deepen our relationship with God. Strength to Strength (September): a six-week series exploring the practical value and blessings of daily prayer. Let it Be (November): a five-week course on Mary, the Mother of God. All three programs have been deeply engaging and very well received. Across the courses, 58 parishioners have taken part, with average attendance in the mid-30s over 17 sessions. These numbers clearly show that "there is a real hunger for spiritual nourishment and a desire to grow more deeply in faith." The Faith Group is discerning what comes next and are considering an appropriate course for Lent (mid-February), followed in the Spring by a programme focusing on the Eucharist. With love and blessings to you all, The Parish Faith Group: Deacon Robert Giampaglia, Teresa Bailey, Julia Beacroft, Susanne Kowal, Joe Giampaglia, Adam Krasnopolski, Liz & Barney Bettesworth.



'Tickets are now available for the parish charity Mulled wine and carol evening on Saturday 12th December, 7pm in the hall. Tickets are available after mass and on the door.

BONUS BALL WINNERS						
Date	<u>Ball</u>	Game1	Amount	Game 2	Amount	
01/11	29	R/O		B SISSON	£40.00	
08/11		Rollover		Rollover		
15/11		Rollover		Dr. Cannizzaro	£40.00	
22/11		Rollover		Rollover		

HOLY ANGELS OFFERINGS 30/11/25				
GIFT AID	£ 69.00			
LOOSE PLATE	£ 47.91			
ASSUMPTION OFFERINGS 23/11/25				
GIFT AID	£157.00			
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# PARISHES OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

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# Queensway, Chelston, TQ2 6BP

Presbytery: 01803 294142 Office: 01803 411193

Parish Priest: <u>Fr Ignatius Maria Joseph</u>. Deacon: Rev Robert Giampaglia E-mail: robgiampaglia@sky.com Safeguarding Reps Assumption: Andrea Rodgers & Bernadette Hattersley

Parish Secretary: Gabriela Brodacka, Safeguarding Reps Holy Angels: Margaret Carson & Andrew Fiderkiewicz. Parish Website: www.assumptionofourlady.org E-mail: torquay-abbeyroad@prcdtr.org.uk,

Diocesan Website: www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk







Sat 6th December	Holy Mass Assumption 10.00am 2.00pm 5.30 - 6.00pm 6.00pm	People & Parishes / Holy Souls Children's Nativity Party Rosary/Confession Simon Martin R.I.P.	
Sun 7	8.30am 9.00am Holy Mass Assumption 10.30am	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  Confessions People & Parishes / Holy Souls  People & Parishes / Holy Souls	
Mon 8	Holy Mass Assumption 10.00am	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Frederick James, Matthew Tobin, Margaret Lottie Tobin R.I.P.	
Tue 9	NO MASS AT 10.00am		
Wed 10	Holy Mass Assumption 9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Elizabeth Callaham R.I.P.	
Thu 11	Holy Mass Assumption 10.00am	Old Boys of St Vincent's & their families. Thanksgiving.	
Fri 12	Holy Mass Assumption 5.00pm	MASS FOR SIMBANG GABI	
Sat 13	Holy Mass Assumption 10.00am 5.30 - 6.00pm 6.00pm 7.00pm	People & Parishes / Holy Souls Rosary/Confession Anne Andrews R.I.P. Mulled Wine and Carols	
Sun 14	MASS HOLY ANGELS 8.30am 9.00am Holy Mass Assumption 10.30am	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  Confessions People & Parishes / Holy Souls  People & Parishes / Holy Souls	

<u>CAMERAS BEING USED IN CHURCH.</u> 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.

# **Parish Rooms Hire Charges**

1. Main Hall and Kitchen—£16 per hour (In house catering available with Beatrice Deloffre) 2. Upper Hall (Refreshment facilities) — £10 per hour. Parishioners 1/3 off listed prices.

All hirers will sign a contract that must be strictly adhered to.

All hall bookings to be made via Parish Secretary -Parish Office Tue to Fri 9.00 to 13.00





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



## **CAROLS, NATIVITY AND** PARTY - SAT, 6th DEC 2pm

Please bring your children and grandchildren to take part in the parishes' Nativity, Christmas Party and visit from Santa. This is FREE for all children. Costumes provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult. There will also be a raffle. Any questions, please contact Fr Ignatius, Debbie, Trisha, Andrea or Joan-







# '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, Virginia Williams, Maureen Vine, Janet Margetts, Barbara Hynes, Hilary & Kevin Johns, Nkosi, Mr Con Allen, Sr Damian, Tony Evans, John Fear, Bernard Hynes, John Adams, Anna, Pat Long, Philip, Claire, Kathleen Rowlands, Stephen Fear, Julie Evans, Doreen Smyth, Chris Rodgers, Andrew Lavelle & Leslie Green. Call Parish Secretary to add /omit .

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

For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

**CRAFT CLUB- NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 6th** January 2026, 2pm. Please, bring whatever you are making. Everyone is welcome.



### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

HELD ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AFTER THE MORNING MASS. **NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11TH.** 

# RCIA: Journey in Faith "Come and see"

Next Thursday Meetings will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 8<sup>th</sup> January, 6.30-7.30pm in the Parish **Centre** (refreshments from 6pm). Dates of future meetings will be provided. No commitment is required. A warm welcome awaits.



# **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026**

**NEXT MEETING FOR CHIL-**DREN: THU 11TH DEC 6PM IN THE MAIN HALL

**Next Prayer Breakfast** Sat 6th DECEMBER 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 via: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77657578466?pwd=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBw\$ TMPHel2v.1 Meeting ID 776 5757 8466 Password 3cGZSb

### **CONFESSION**

Fr Ignatius is available for confession before or after any Mass. Please, speak to Fr directly.



We welcome a new bishop! Bishop Nicholas Hudson was installed as the tenth Bishop of Plymouth on Saturday 29th November at Plymouth Cathedral, in a special Mass attended by hundreds and concelebrated by clergy from all around the country. Please pick up a prayer card from the back of church and commemor!

PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE. There is a basket at the back of the church for donations of prizes. THANK YOU.

OUR NEXT SUNDAY LUNCH WITH A CHRISTMAS THEME WILL BE **DEC 14TH.** PRICE £25 p/p. Please, book with Beatrice or at the office.

# Be part of Cribfest

Over the weekend of the 3rd and 4th January 2026, we will be holding our annual Cribfest. Please take part, even if you have never done so before. It is easy, bring your crib to church at 11am on Saturday 3rd. The cribs will be on display on the afternoon of the 3rd Jan, 2-4pm and then on Sunday 4th from 9-2.30. We will take care of them for you. We would also like to take the cribs to our Catholic primary school. Our Lady of the Angels and will do this on the actual feast of the Epiphany on 6th Jan, so please leave your crib in church for us to transport to the school and back. Your crib will then be safely stored in St Joseph's, for collection at your convenience.

Teens residential, 23rd - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026, Est Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor. The 2026 teens residential (those aged 13-17) are invited to explore lives of people holding the a refugee and asylum seekers status in the Uk. There is time to question refugees and asylum seekers to hear why they left their homes to seek asylum. Once listening to the stories there is a chance for young people to form their own opinion and decide what action they would like to do. This event cost £50pp. To book: For further information: youth@prcdtr.org.uk



