

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

**READERS:**

**SAT 2nd May 6.00PM** MIM BROWN / A RODGERS

**SUN 3rd May 10.30AM** ALEKSANDRA / T GRUNDY

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

**SAT 2nd May 6.00PM** P EVANS / MARIA PADALINO

**SUN 3rd May 10.30AM** J CLAY / M HAWKE / S WILLMOTT / S KOWAL

**COFFEE TEAM :** 3rd May CWL

**A POLITE REMINDER:** 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.

**Tea and Coffee Volunteers Required**

**We are looking for volunteers to help make Tea and Coffees after 10:30am Sunday Mass. If you can help please contact Bernadette Hattersley on 07901 973394 or email [berniehawe@gmail.com](mailto:berniehawe@gmail.com)**

**Good Shepherd Sunday**

Sunday 26 April is the World 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 **Seminarian's Fund** we would be grateful for your donations at the retiring collection or you can donate online at <https://priesthoodplymouth.co.uk/donate>

**Rise to Our Cause**

**On Ascension Thursday, 14th May 2026**

**At the Church of the Assumption of Our Lady Torquay**

**Holy Mass at 12.00pm**

**2 Course Lunch Raffle**

**Guest Speakers John and Myfanwy Quine**

**Tickets £15 - Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) available from the Parish Office**

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. They can't wait to meet all of you and share how Jesus continues to be actively involved in the everyday lives of countless individuals, just as he always has been.

**TORQUAY COMMUNITY LARDER** open Mondays and Fridays, 10.30am - 1.00 pm at the **Salvation Army in Market street Torquay.**

Our stocks are very Low on all goods, So if you feel you can manage even just one item to donate. Basic items such as tinned fruit, soup, vegetables, tomatoes and beans. Cereals, biscuits, rice. Also toiletries, washing up powder, and cleaners.

**Donations can be put in the trolley at the back of the Church. Many Thanks**

**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: 01803 411193** (9.00 to 14.00 Wed to Fri)

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

Parish Secretary: Patrick Beacroft. 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)



**Fourth Week of Easter**

Sat 25	<b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.00am 5.30 - 6.00pm 6.00pm	<i>Private Intention— Thanksgiving Rosary / Confession</i>
Sun 26	<b><u>MASS HOLY ANGELS</u></b> 8.30am 9.00am <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.30am	<i>Confession  Intentions of Susannah Intentions of Susan &amp; Henry Porter Chris Murphy R.I.P.</i>
Mon 27	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tue 28	<b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.00am	<i>Nora Francis Smith R.I.P. Intentions of John Watts</i>
Wed 29	<b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.00am	<i>Thresia R.I.P.</i>
Thu 30	<b>1.00pm Funeral Service</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Fri 01	<b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.00am 10.30am	<i>Adoration</i>
Sat 02	<b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.00am 5.30 - 6.00pm 6.00pm	<i>Rosary / Confession</i>
Sun 03	<b><u>MASS HOLY ANGELS</u></b> 8.30am 9.00am <b><u>Holy Mass Assumption</u></b> 10.30am	<i>Confession Private Intention—Holy Souls  Intentions of Tracey Grundy—Birthday Intentions of Janet Sanders Alan Sanders R.I.P.</i>

**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.

**ONLY A FEW WEEKS TO GO... 16 Pilgrims have booked! We would like to get 20. PLEASE CONSIDER... Is Our Lady inviting you?**

For more information & to book: **Barney Bettesworth (local organiser)** T: 01803 606807 E: [barney@bettesworths.co.uk](mailto:barney@bettesworths.co.uk)



**Dear Bonus Ball Supporter**

The renewal of the next session is now due. *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 Code 55-70-01, Account No 06001009.**

11/04/2026 Bonus Ball = Ball 31—Both games are rollover

**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.

**ASSUMPTION LENDING LIBRARY**

The parish now has a lending library of theological, spiritual and church reference books in the entrance hall of the parish rooms (next to the Parish Office). Please feel free to borrow any books and return them when finished. Also, please feel free to donate books. However, theological/spiritual or church reference books ONLY. No donated fictional books, thank you. Any questions or enquiries contact Julia B Tel: 07751 670211

**Pope's Intentions for April:**

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



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

Held on the second Thursday of each month after the morning Mass.

**Next Meeting: Thursday 7th May**  
**Please note the revised date.**

**CRAFT CLUB - Next Meeting: Tuesday 28th APRIL, 2pm.** Please, bring whatever you are making. Everyone is welcome.

**RCIA: Journey in Faith "Come and see"**

**Next Meeting: Thursday 30th April 2026** in the Parish Centre (refreshments from 5.45pm). No commitment is required.

**Parish Sunday Lunch**

**Next Sunday Lunch will be May 17th**

Two Courses and Coffee £16  
PLEASE BOOK AND PAY IN ADVANCE TO BEATRICE OR AT THE PARISH OFFICE

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026**

**Next Meeting:** for children and Parents: **Thursday 28th May** in the main hall.

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

**Please pray for the sick & housebound**

Jennifer Cayanar, Simon Thomas, Siobhan Berryman, Ann Fisher, 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, Anna, Pat Long, Philip, Claire, Stephen Fear, Julie Evans, Doreen Smyth, Chris Rodgers, Julie Foster & Andrew Lavelle  
**Call Parish Secretary to add /omit.**

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=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBwS\\_TMPHel2v.1](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77657578466?pwd=6Ha41VBp9pn1g31MBzBwS_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.**

**Assumption Parish Faith Group**

On last Wednesday 15th April, we held the final session of our course, "Believe—Reflections on the Creed." This marked the conclusion of our first year as the parish Faith Group. Over the past year we have been blessed to offer four courses:

- April 2025 (6 sessions) "The Gift—A Life in the Spirit" exploring how we can grow in spirit.
- September 2025 (6 sessions) "Strength to Strength" reflecting on the benefits of daily prayer.
- November / December 2025 (5 sessions) "Mary, the Mother of God" a journey through Mary's life.
- March / April 2026 (6 sessions) "Believe—Reflections on the Creed"

In addition, we held a beautiful Taize Evening in January, centred on Scripture, meditation, and prayerful music. We would like to sincerely thank the Parish for the wonderful support given to these events. Across the 24 sessions, 66 different parishioners took part, with an average attendance of over 30. These gatherings have been enriching, instructive, and a great encouragement in helping us to grow our faith. As we look ahead, we wait in hope, trusting that the Holy Spirit will continue to inspire and guide us in the next steps of our journey together.  
**Revd Robert Giampaglia, Teresa Bailey, Julia Beacroft, Susanne Kowal, Adam Krasnopolski, Joe Giampaglia, Liz and Barney Bettesworth**

**Parish Rooms Hire Charges**

**Main Hall and Kitchen - £16 per hour**

(In house catering available with Beatrice Deloffre)

**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.

**Saturday May 16th 7pm**

**St Joseph's Quiz Night**

**In the Church Hall—96 Queen street, Newton Abbot, TQ12 2ET**

**Hot Pasty, Sharing Platter Nibbles (Bring your own Drinks & Glasses)**

**£8 per person £5 (Under 16's)**

**Tickets available from the Parish Office—email [newtonabbot@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:newtonabbot@prcdtr.org.uk)**

**In aid of CCSP & Parish Funds**

<b><u>ASSUMPTION OFFERINGS 18-19/04/26</u></b>	
GIFT AID	£90.00
LOOSE PLATE	£400.79

<b><u>HOLY ANGELS 18-19/04/26</u></b>	
GIFT AID	
LOOSE PLATE	