

PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR B – 18TH FEBRUARY 2024

| PLACE | DATE | TIME | |
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| Modbury Efford | Saturday 17 th February | No Mass 5.00 pm | Cyril and Lilia Mary Smith (RIP) |
| Plympton Ivybridge | Sunday 18 th February | 09.30 am 11.30 am | Maureen and Paul Bowen-Davies intentions Hazel Smith's intentions |
| Plympton Ivybridge | Tuesday 20 th February | 7.00 pm | The Lethbridge family Foundation Mass |
| Plympton Ivybridge | Thursday 22 nd February | 10.00 am | Fr Ngozi Ikeme (RIP) |
| Plympton | Friday 23 rd February | 10.00 am | Jane Pearce RIP |
| Modbury Efford | Saturday 24 th February | No Mass 5.00 pm | Robert Winfield Smith (RIP) |
| Plympton Ivybridge | Sunday 25 th February | 09.30 am 11.30 am | Veronica Watson Foundation Mass Virginia Morgan-Evans (RIP) |

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February - For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

ADORATION for 30 minutes before weekday Mass. Join us for this opportunity to have quiet time with the Lord.

CONFESSIONS are available after weekday Mass, or by request.

ROSARY every Wednesday evening at 7pm at Plympton.

For the sick

Please pray for the sick & housebound in our parishes and for those who are particularly poorly at this time.

For those who have died

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently died especially Fr John Smethurst, Virginia Morgan-Evans, Susan Foster and Bertram Tickle and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: - Kenneth Yates, Catherine Nolan, Andrew Cowl, Tom Kingdom and family, Rafal Opalo, and Charlotte Maud Smith. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

(If you would like a loved one to be included in the list of those who have died for the month of their anniversary, please contact the parish office on 01752 331288 or email plymouth-plympton@prcdtr.org.uk).

The Rite of Election 2024

For those being received into the Catholic Church this Easter, the Rite of Election will take place in the Cathedral **TODAY** (Sunday 18th February) **at 3pm**. We are especially delighted for Jemma, our candidate from Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Please pray for her, and all those from the diocese, as they make this important step in their spiritual journey.

GATHER 2024

A conference bringing together people from across the diocese and beyond for a weekend of faith, formation and friendship. **Friday 23 – Sunday 25 February**. Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. Booking for GATHER 2024 is now open! Book online using the QR code on the flyer at the back of the church. Alternatively, booking forms are available from the Parish Office.

LENT RETREAT DAY Saturday 2nd March 2024 at St Rita's Centre

"A CAMPAIGN OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE..." led by Fr. Jacek Kostuch.

The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. First Talk will start at 10am, second talk will be at 11am. Exposition and Adoration of the Holy Sacrament in silence will be at 12pm. Lunch will be served at 1.00pm, Mass at 2.45pm and there will be an opportunity for Confession. Charge for the day, including lunch (3 course meal), is just £25.00. Booking can be made by phone - 01752 769164 or online - www.stritascentre.org/events-retreats. Payment can be made on the day.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION

We are pleased to let you know that the first session for First Holy Communion Preparation is on **Sunday 25th February 2024** after Mass, in the Children's Liturgy Room at Plympton. It is important for your child to attend all the sessions please. Grateful thanks to Sarah and Philip for preparing the children for these Sacraments.

Inspire Music Festival 2024

Youth Events will be running a music festival at Buckfast Abbey, **Saturday 2nd March 2024** 12.00 – 5.00 for 12-16 years olds. Bands will include Jozzy and Crossbeam (bands from the Southwest). For more information, please contact Saskia youth@prcdtr.org.uk

THE CHOSEN - Season 4

The Chosen is a drama based on the life of Jesus, seen through the eyes of those who knew him. It shares an authentic look at Jesus' life and teachings. **Plymouth Vue cinema** - episodes 6 to 8 on **Thursday 29th February**.

Caritas Plymouth

It is with sadness that Caritas bring the Craft and Chat sessions at Christ the King to an end. They hope to see all who have joined them again soon at one of the other venues around Plymouth that are offering the chance to be creative and connect with others. Welcome Mondays run every Monday between 11.30 – 2.30pm (except bank holidays) at Holy Family church hall. There will be a table for making, so come along and join in the fun. The Cathedral have a Knit, natter, and stitch group on Monday the 19th of February between 11-2pm (soup lunch included). Come and connect over a cuppa at St. Peter's on the first Wednesday of every month between 2-4pm. All welcome.

Lenten individually guided, Ignatian silent retreats

Honiton Lenten Retreats: Feb 23rd - 25th (Fri - Sun) Weekend Retreat (£140), Feb 26th – 1st Mar (Mon – Fri) Midweek Retreat (£280), Feb 23rd – 1st Mar (Fri-Fri) 6 day Retreat (£475). Please contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group phone 01752 769164 Or 07823 447637 for further information or to book.

Stations of the Cross – throughout Lent and on Good Friday (29th March)

Join us for Stations of the Cross as we pray remembering the Lord's Passion and Death.

Plympton – Friday 23rd February and 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd March after morning Mass

Ivybridge – Wednesday 21st, 28th February and 6th, 13th, 20th March at 10.00 am

Modbury – Wednesday 21st, 28th February and 6th, 13th, 20th March at 5.30 pm

Lenten Lunches

Come and join us at **Plympton** for our weekly Lenten Lunches being served at **12 noon every Friday** throughout Lent. Thank you to the CWL, CAFOD team and the 'Wednesday Group' for hosting these lunches.

At **Ivybridge**, the CWL are holding their Lenten lunch at the Priory on **Saturday 16th March at 1.15pm**. Tickets will be £5. All proceeds will go to CAFOD. There will be a choice of 4 home-made soups, various cakes and a raffle.

Stations of the Cross and Lenten Lunches are a good way to participate in a little extra prayer time and almsgiving, so please join us if you can.

PLYMPTON

Lenten Reflection

Throughout Lent, there will be the opportunity to come together in the annexe at Plympton on Wednesday mornings at 10.30 am for a time of Prayer and Reflection followed by tea or coffee. All welcome.

CAFOD's Big Lent Walk

Simon Blades (our Parish organist) and his wife Liz are now taking part in CAFOD'S 'Big Lent Walk'. If you are able/willing to sponsor them there is form at the back of the church or go to their Just Giving page at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/liz-and-simons-sponsored-lent-walk> You are invited to join them for a walk on one or several days from 14th February to 31st March - dogs and children welcome.

MODBURY WEEKLY MASSES

Due to the ongoing roadworks at Modbury, we will resume Weekly Masses on **Wednesday March 6th at 5.00pm**.

Priest- in- charge: **Fr Victor Agbaka**

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