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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -_YEAR A – 30th August 2026

Efford	**Saturday 29th August**	**5:00pm**	Private Intention
Ivybridge **Plympton**	**Sunday 30th August**	**9:00am** **11:00am**	People of the Parish Annette Saunders and Family's Intentions
Plympton	**Tuesday 1st September**	**NO MASS**	
Ivybridge	**Thursday 3rd September**	**NO MASS**	
Plympton	**Friday 4th September**	**NO MASS**	
Efford	**Saturday 5th September**	**5:00pm**	
Plympton **Ivybridge**	**Sunday 6th September**	**9:00am** **11:00am**	Fr. Jon Bielawski (RIP)

The Pope's Prayer Intention 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 the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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

FAITH CHAT Every Thursday after 10am Mass at Ivybridge

For the sick Please pray for the sick & housebound in our parishes and for those who are particularly poorly at this time. Please especially pray for Colin Watson, Stephen Keedwell, Brian Nolan, Nicki McDougal, and Edward Pryce who are unwell.

For those who have died Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently, especially Fr Jon Bielawski, Joan Screech, John Modley, Paul Tucker, Marie Glanfield, Mary Abbott, Helen Furlong, Robert Tucker, Gwyn Derrick, and Paddy Barrett, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Nolan, Catherine Marsden, Maureen Nutton, John William Kingdom, Mary Weaver, Dorothy Houghton, Connie Martyr, Celestine Murphy, and Maggie Langmaid.

Stop Assisted Suicide Being Legalised Assisted suicide campaigners have sadly brought back the Leadbeater Bill. This can be stopped if MPs vote down the Bill on 11 September. Right To Life UK has launched an EasyAction tool to help you email your MP to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide in the vote in the House of Commons on 11 September. Please take 30 seconds to email your MP today to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide: https://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote

Farewell, Fr. Victor

We are sad to announce that Father Victor will be celebrating his final Masses with us here on the Weekend of 29th and 30th August before returning to Nigeria.
We thank Father Victor for all of his service to the parishes here, he will be very much missed and we ask that you keep him in your prayers as he starts this new chapter.
All are warmly invited to Fr. Victor's leaving celebrations at:
Pympton – After 11am Mass TODAY. Bring your own picnic

PLYMPTON

Leaving Party Remember to stay after Mass today for Father Victor's leaving celebration.

IVYBRIDGE

CWL Meeting The CWL will meet again on 4th September at 11 am in the Parish Rooms with its produce stall after Mass on 6th. New members are very welcome.

Parish BBQ Sunday 6th September after Mass. Please bring your meat to be cooked and a salad or dessert to share.

Save the Date The CWL will be holding a Harvest Tea on 3rd October at 3 pm.

Children's Hospice South West coffee morning The CHWS coffee morning will be on September 12th, 10.30am till 12midday, coffee, cakes and Christmas cards.

NEWS FROM ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Aid to the Church in Need The Holy Land, whilst it has the roots of Christianity steeped deep in the region, the modern reality tells a story of misery and hardship for the Christians who live there.

- The Christian population in Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ, continues to fall.
- There is a healthcare crisis with Christian hospitals and clinics reporting shortages of medicine, clean water, and electricity, in Gaza and the West Bank.
- 48% of Christian youth in the Holy Land are considering emigration, citing fear, discrimination, and lack of opportunity and future in the Holy Land.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in The Holy Land. Also, your generosity will give urgent assistance to Christian families in Jerusalem, the West Bank, northern Israel, and Jordan. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) has an emergency appeal for Christians in The Holy Land. **acnuk.org/holy-land-appeal.** And if you want to support ACN and take action as a volunteer, in support of suffering Christians, contact Steve Riedlinger, Community Fundraiser for ACN at steve.riedlinger@acnuk.org or 07939362479.

Mass for Marriage Please join us at our Celebration of Marriage, at midday in the Cathedral on Saturday September 12. The Celebrant will be Bishop Nicholas. We had thought that this year we should make a point of including those spouses who are no longer with us in this life, in our prayers. Now this prayer will also include Fr Jon Bielawski, a good priest, who celebrated the Mass for Marriage for the last four years and who did so much to support Catholic Marriage in our Diocese.

"*David*" at The Vue Cinema Plymouth Vue Cinema is showing David (PG). A superb animated film based on 1 Samuel from Friday 21st August daily at 12:45pm. Tickets booked online are from just £7.99 (£6.99 to age 14) For the trailer and to book see: myvue.com/cinema/plymouth/film/david