

## PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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### THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT - YEAR A – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Efford	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	5:00pm	Mrs Eileen Murphy and for her deceased husband – Foundation Mass
Plympton Ivybridge	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00am 11:00am	Del Rhodes' Intention Terry and Nina Collins (RIP)
Plympton	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	10:00am	Angela Overall (RIP) – Foundation Mass
Ivybridge	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	10:00am	Sam Brolly's Recovery
Plympton	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	10:00am	John Biddle's Intention
Efford	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	5:00pm	Fidelia Nwanyanwu (RIP)
Plympton Ivybridge	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00am 11:00am	Helen Furlong (RIP) -----

**The Pope's Prayer Intention for March – For disarmament and peace.** Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**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

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** Stations of Cross will take place in Plympton on Fridays at 11am (after morning Mass) and at Ivybridge on Thursdays at 9:30am (before morning Mass) during Lent.

**Collection for the Poor** There will be a Second Collection for the poor on next weekend.

**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 Brian Nolan, Nicki McDougal, Alan Schaffert, and Mary Ripo who are unwell.

**For those who have died** Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently, especially Helen Furlong, Robert Tucker, Gwyn Derrick, Paddy Barrett, Peter York, Barbara Jackman, Paul Watson, Maggie Langmaid, Paul Bowen-Davies and Jo Cotter, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Kathleen Preston, Edward McBride, Joseph Norman, and Karen Martyr.

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage** Our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage to Medjugorje. Bristol to Split Thursday 1st to Thursday 8th of October. £785pp sharing £150 single supplement. Half-board, fully guided Pilgrimage with Marian Pilgrimages.

**Stop assisted suicide - further action needed** Please take 30 seconds to stop assisted suicide from being forced into law. Right To Life UK has made an EasyAction tool to email your MP asking them to oppose attempts to force assisted suicide into law by bypassing the House of Lords. **Please visit [www.righttolife.org.uk/ASCommons2026](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/ASCommons2026) to ask your MP to oppose forcing the assisted suicide Bill into law.**

**Step Up For CAFOD! Big Lent Family Walk** A fun family day that will make a real difference raising funds for life-saving water **Date:** Saturday 7 March **Time** 10.00 **Route:** a family friendly circular walk round Burrator Reservoir, starting at the bridge. 3.5-4 miles, mostly flat. Wildlife Spotting challenge for the youngsters. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome too. **Led By:** Tony Bambrough **Sign up:** at the back of the Church, sponsor forms available. Last year the parish Walk raised over £300 - let's see what we can do this year!

### PLYMPTON

**St Patrick's Day Celebration** Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. Come along for an Irish night of fun. The ticket price is £7 and includes a night of Irish music, a sing along, a Quiz, a raffle and a meal of Gammon and Colcannon with desserts. Please bring whatever you'd like to drink.

**Easter Egg Raffle** Tickets are £1 each and are on sale now at the back of the church. Easter egg donations would be welcome. All money raised from the raffle will go towards the energy bills for our church. Your support is needed and much appreciated. Thank you.

**Missio Red Box** It's time to bring in your Missio Red Box to be emptied. Please bring your box and hand it to Sally Smith, Sue/Keith Preston, or Anne-Marie Hookway by Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

**March Collection Baskets** The collection baskets in March will be for the Plympton Food Bank. Please see the sign for donation ideas. Thank you all for your generosity in your donations to Baby Basics and Holy Cross families during February.

**CWL And CAFOD Lenten Lunch** CWL Lenten Lunch on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 12 noon. There will be Stations of the Cross at 11am in the church before the Ploughman's Lenten Lunch at midday in the Annexe, bringing our community together in friendship by sharing a simple meal. CAFOD pre loved clothes sale following the Lenten Lunch. Why not try a new look for Spring by grabbing a bargain in the Pre-Loved Clothes sale? Quality clothes at bargain prices, and eco-friendly too!

### IVYBRIDGE

**Thank You** Thank you to everyone who came to help deep-clean the church on Thursday. Your work is very much appreciated.

**Lenten Lunch** CWL Lenten Lunch March 21st at 12.30. Please join us for a Ploughman's lunch with cake to follow. There is still tickets available and they will be on sale at £7.50 each after Mass.

**CWL Produce Stall** The Produce Stall will be held after Mass today. Tickets will also be on sale for the Ploughman's Lenten Lunch on Saturday 21st March.

**Can You Help?** We are looking for assistance with ground maintenance. If you are interested, please see Hazel, Peter or Patrick.

**SAVE THE DATE: "Wise and Wonderful"** All are invited to share Easter Reflections at Ivybridge Methodist Church on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30 pm. Please support this event if you are able.

### NEWS FROM ACROSS THE DIOCESE

**Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group Silent Retreats** Please see the poster at the back of the church for details. The cost includes full board & lodging, but help is available for those who would like to go on retreat but have difficulties with the recommended donations. For further details and bookings contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at [diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk) or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637

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