

PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - YEAR A – 1st March 2026

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| Efford | Saturday 28 th February | 5:00pm | Joseph Norman (RIP) |
| Plympton | Sunday 1 st March | 9:00am | Sharon and Ralph's Intention |
| Ivybridge | | 11:00am | Private Intention |
| Plympton | Tuesday 3 rd March | 10:30am | Requiem Mass for Helen Furlong |
| Ivybridge | Thursday 5 th March | 10:00am | For the Sick and Housebound |
| Plympton | Friday 6 th March | 10:00am | Holy Souls |
| Efford | Saturday 7 th March | 5:00pm | Mrs Eileen Murphy and for her deceased husband – Foundation Mass |
| Plympton | Sunday 8 th March | 9:00am | Del Rhodes' Intention |
| Ivybridge | | 11:00am | ----- |

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 to ask your MP to oppose forcing the assisted suicide Bill into law.**

CAFOD Family Fast Day This Family Fast Day, let's turn our Lenten practices into acts of love: eat simply, give generously and extend our hands - so that another family can put food on the table. To give - you can use the CAFOD envelopes, either by putting in some cash or using the QR code printed on them, you can use the paypoint at the back of the church (Plympton and Ivybridge), go online to either make a one-off payment or to set up a direct debit (Thank you to those of you who already do this) If you do this **today**, your donations will be match-funded by a group of generous CAFOD supporters, thereby doubling your donation. Thank you so much for your generosity. Nuala and Sue.

World Day of Prayer 2026. **Where:** Ridgeway Methodist Church **When:** Friday 6th March 2026 **Time:** 2.30pm
Our sisters in Nigeria invite us to join them for the World Day of Prayer. The service they have prepared reflects on the theme, "I will give you rest." The World Day of Prayer is an international, women-led, ecumenical movement that shares the hopes, concerns, and prayers of women from around the globe. Each year, women from a different country craft a service, sharing their unique spiritual journey and culture. For 2026, the women of Nigeria have created a service that speaks to our need for peace and solace, drawing on their faith and experiences in a world filled with struggles and anxieties. Everyone Welcome. Refreshments after in the Hall.

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, 13th 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.

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 29th 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 We will be holding Stations of the Cross at 11am, followed by a Lenten Lunch in the Annexe at midday, bringing our community together in friendship by sharing a simple meal. And afterwards, 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

Lenten Lunch CWL Lenten Lunch March 21st at 12.30. Please join us for a Ploughman's lunch with cake to follow. Tickets £7.50 each will be on sale after Mass.

CWL Meeting The next meeting will take place on Friday 6th March at 11 am and the Produce Stall will be held after Mass on 8th. 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.

Church Deep Clean After Mass instead of "Faith Chat" we will be giving the church a Deep Clean. All welcome, teas and coffees provided!

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

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