

PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT - YEAR A – 22nd February 2026

Efford	Saturday 21 st February	5:00pm	Robert Tucker (RIP)
Plympton	Sunday 22 nd February	9:00am	Tessa Marion (RIP) and Jane Pearce (RIP)
Ivybridge		11:00am	People of the Parish
Plympton	Tuesday 24 th February	NO MASS	
Ivybridge	Thursday 26 th February	10:00am	Private Intention
Plympton	Friday 27 th February	10:00am	Deceased Members of the Lethbridge Family – Foundation Mass
Efford	Saturday 28 th February	5:00pm	Joseph Norman (RIP)
Plympton	Sunday 29 th February	9:00am	Sharon and Ralph's Intention
Ivybridge		11:00am	-----

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February – For children with incurable diseases. Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

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 The rosary groups at Plympton are temporarily paused.

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.

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: Catherine Nolan, Rafal Opalo, Kenneth Yates, Margaret Wilby, and Frank Kingwell.

Helen Furlong (RIP) We are sad to say that Helen Furlong has passed away. Helen's Requiem Mass will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes on Tuesday 3rd March at 10:30am. Please keep Helen and her family and friends in your prayers.

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) The great news is that, if you do this **today**, your donations will be match-funded by a group of generous CAFOD supporters, thereby doubling your donation. And don't forget, our other generous benefactor, HMRC, will top up your donation if you are eligible for Gift Aid. This increases your donation by 25%, which makes a huge difference. Thank you so much for your generosity. Nuala and Sue.

PLYMPTON

St Patrick's Day Celebration Save the date for our St Patrick's Day Celebration which will be on Friday 13th March. More details to follow.

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!

Step Up For CAFOD! Big Lent Family Walk A fun way to spend the day whilst making a real difference. Whether you are a seasoned hiker or just want a gentle stroll with the kids, there's a place for everyone. **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!

IVYBRIDGE

Priory Re-decoration Fund There is a section on the cashless giving point for donations to support the re-decoration of the priory. If you would like to donate you can use the re-decoration section on the cashless giving point, or donate in cash or by cheque – if donating by cash/cheque please ensure you place your donation in an envelope marked clearly as “re-decoration fund”

IVYBRIDGE CWL has donated £50 each to :- Ivybridge Salvation Army, Ivybridge Ring and Ride, and Plymouth Ukraine Medical Aid. Many thanks to all who support our monthly produce stall which is where we raised this money.

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.

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.

NEWS FROM ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Stay Awake 2026 Our 8th all-age, all-day Catholic Christian Conference with music and worship on 2nd May at the Thomas Hardy School in Dorchester, DT1 2ET from 10 am to 6 pm. The theme this year is: 'Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.' (Ps 51:10). **Your place can be booked from stayawakejc.com now!** We invite all parishioners – whatever age - to a fun faith-filled day with appropriate children's streams (so that adults can engage) and **David Wells** is our main keynote speaker! We have a choice of workshops too and more! Refreshments supplied including home-made cakes and **free pizza after Mass. Free for children and £12.50 for the rest of us!** See you there!

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