

PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR A – 6th September 2026

Efford	Saturday 5th September	5:00pm	People of the Parish
Plympton	Sunday 6th September	9:00am	Fr. Jon Bielawski (RIP)
Ivybridge		11:00am	Sgt J.J. Thomas R.I.P
Plympton	Tuesday 8th September	10:00am	Jane Pearce (RIP) and Florrie Biddle (RIP)
Ivybridge	Thursday 10th September	10:00am	Maureen's Special Intention
Plympton	Friday 11th September	10:00am	Helen MacMahon's Intention
Efford	Saturday 12th September	5:00pm	People of the Parish
Plympton	Sunday 13th September	9:00am	Sarah Baines' Intention
Ivybridge		11:00am	Renato Mazzei Coria (RIP)

The Pope's Prayer Intention for September For the care of water - Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

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 Denis Glanfield, Ron Screech, 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: Sgt. J. J. Thomas, Jean Davis, Elsie Doreen Derrick, Maureen Carlyle, William O'Connor, and Marguerite Catherine Niedzielska.

Denis Glanfield (RIP) Denis Glanfield has passed away. His family invites any parishioner who wishes to attend his Service, which is at The Park Crematorium, room 1 on Tuesday 8th September

Ron Screech (RIP) Ron Screech has passed away. His funeral will be held on Monday 14th September at 11:30 am at the Park Crematorium.

Urgent: Stop assisted suicide - postcards available The vote on assisted suicide is on 11 September. *Not Dead Yet UK* have provided postcards you can send to your MP to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide in the vote in the House of Commons on 11 September. **Please take action now - collect a red and white postcard, fill out your details, add a stamp and post it to your MP today!**

Lighthouse Worship Lighthouse Worship is a deanery prayer group that has been based in different parishes throughout the years. It has always been led by parishioners from Ivybridge and Efford and is now held monthly at Our Lady of Lourdes, Plympton. They would like to extend an invitation and warm welcome to all to come and join us on Thursday 10th September at 7pm. The hour is a time of praise and worship, prayer, reflection on scripture and friendship.

Goodbye from Father Victor

To my dear parishioners, thank you from the bottom of my heart for the overwhelming love, support, and friendship you've shown me throughout my time with you. Serving in these parishes has been one of the greatest joys of my life. Every shared prayer, every conversation, and every warm smile will stay with me, and I will cherish these beautiful memories forever.

You are forever in my thoughts and prayers. Remain blessed!



Hello from Father PJ

Hello everyone, I'm Fr PJ O'Driscoll, your new parish priest usually found either in the church or out running somewhere. I'm arriving with my best friend Alfie, who is already convinced you're all his new favourite people. He's very well fed (despite what he'll tell you), and what he really brings is pure playfulness and joy.

I'm a proud Irishman from Cork and previously served as a Chaplain in the Army. I've been ordained for 28 years, and I'm delighted to be returning to familiar faces and old friends, having covered Ivybridge in the past. I'm equally looking forward to meeting new people and settling back into parish life.

I bring humour, heart, and a love of community and Alfie brings fun wherever he goes.

PLYMPTON

Donation Baskets Thank you for your generous donations to the Soup Run. This month our donations will go towards Shekinah. A list of items needed is next to the baskets.

Missio Red Boxes Reminder that it is time for the Missio Red Boxes be emptied and pasted over to Keith/Sue Preston, Sally Smith, and Anne-Marie Hookway by **Sunday 4 October**. As most of you know this is a very worthwhile charity that is very much in need of your support. There are booklets at the back of the church that are well worth reading and it gives you all the possible ways to support them. I would like to thank everyone who has given to Missio over the years and in 2025 as a parish we gave them a stounding **£1502.17** through the Red Boxes, including individuals giving directly. Many thanks and God Bless, Anne-Marie x

IVYBRIDGE

Parish BBQ Today 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.

CWL Produce Stall The Produce stall will now be after Mass on 13th September.

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