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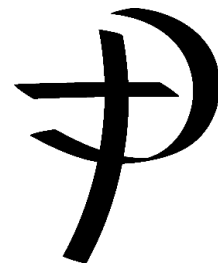
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Week Commencing: Sunday 30th August 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Readings: Jr 20:7-9 Ps 63(62) Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27)

Sunday 30 th August	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	12.30pm	Int: <i>Anthony John RIP</i>
Sunday 6 th September	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	12.30pm	Int: Thomas & Bridget Hanley RIP (FDN)
Sacrament of Reconciliation available after Mass or by Appointment				

A very warm welcome to all our Visitors

Please pray for:

all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Farrell O'Driscoll, Lady Elenor Baker, Margaret Douglas, Claude Bedford, James Campbell, Jacqueline McNamara, Margaret Walshe, Michelle Jarman, Hilary Anderson.

The sick and/or housebound, including: Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Seth Marks, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, Monica Finn, Mary Gibbs, Susan Bevan, Jane Devenish, Jose Belshaw, Emily John & Barbara Edwards.

This SUNDAY - Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) Annual Appeal 30th August 2026.

**GRATEFUL HEARTS – SERVING OTHERS –
Putting All Children First**

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY Please find below the message of support provided by Bishop Nicholas in support of our 2026 Annual Appeal – Grateful Hearts - Serving Others. Our Annual Appeal is our biggest fundraiser of the CCSP calendar but unfortunately last year, our Annual Appeal raised just over £12,000 which is considerably less than in previous years. This is unfortunate as the number of Essential Grant applications we are receiving from families remains high and we approved 214 grants in 2025 compared to 141 in 2024. We do not want to turn families away who really need our help and back in May, we had to suspend the Essential Grants programme as we received an unprecedented number of applications and simply could not approve any more.

Please give generously today towards the work of the Catholic Children's Society and keep them and their beneficiaries in your prayers. Your love, kindness and generosity will make a difference to many children and their families. **Thank you so much and please remember to Gift Aid your donation if you can!**

CCSP also need trustees. If anyone is interested in offering their time, please contact the office on 01364 645420 and ask to speak to the Chair, Shelagh Fearnley. They would love to hear from you."

There will be **no Children's Liturgy** during Mass today due to it being the summer holidays, Classes will resume next Sunday, 6th September.

Refreshments are served in the hall after Mass on Sundays. Please come along and join us for a drink and chat.

**A FAREWELL BUFFET LUNCH
TO THANK FATHER DANIEL
FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE PARISH
will take place after Mass on
SUNDAY 30th AUGUST from 1:45pm**

Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this event possible; before, during or afterwards.

We thank Fr Daniel for his time at Holy Cross, and we will miss him. We wish him well in his new role at the Cathedral and hope to see him again at some stage.

The Pope's Intentions 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.

<https://popesprayer.va>

SPUC URGENT: In April 2026, the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill fell at the end of the Parliamentary session having failed to complete its passage through Parliament. Now, Lauren Edwards MP (Labour) has reintroduced essentially the same Bill, with Second Reading scheduled for Friday 11th September. It appears that the assisted suicide lobby is intending to invoke the Parliament Acts, whereby if the House of Lords rejects the same Bill in two consecutive Parliamentary sessions, it can be passed without their consent BUT, if MPs REJECT the Bill at Second Reading, it will not progress further. We have just a small window of time to persuade MPs to reject the Bill during the summer recess, when most MPs are back in their constituencies.

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!

MARCH FOR LIFE

SPUC Coach to the annual March for Life (M4L) in Westminster on **Saturday 5th September**. The theme for this year: *'Abortion Hurts the Family.'*

7am - Coach will depart the lay-by in St Boniface Lane outside the closed St Peter's Church. There is ample parking along the old Tavistock Road leading to the Church of the Ascension and also outside the Church of the Ascension itself, (The Lawns) which is just a 2 minute walk from the departure point.

8am – Pick up at the bottom of Exeter Services (M5)

5.30pm – Leave Westminster.

Seats £28pp but some free seats available. Coach cost is £1,720. Donations gratefully received.

Further info: Christine Hudson Tel:07742320717

Email: chrishud78@talktalk.net

Do come to protest the recently passed legislation allowing abortion up to birth and the return to parliament of the recently defeated Assisted Suicide Bill threatening the elderly and vulnerable. To date, 14 Catholic bishops will be attending the March so you will be in good company.

Care for Creation – A Special Year

The Year of St Francis 2026 marks the 800th anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's death in 1226. Pope Leo XIV declared that it will be a special Year of St Francis in which we are all called to become saints in our world, following St Francis' example. We are called to model a holiness of life and witness to peace. The Season of Creation is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home, starting each year on 1 September and finishing on the feast of St Francis, 4 October.

Caritas Newsletter:

Click the link for the August edition to read of love in action around our diocese. <https://tinyurl.com/2rxsuy2z>

Mass for Marriage: September 12th 12:00- 2:00 pm

Celebrant: Bishop Nicholas Hudson at the Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth.

Marriage enriches us all. All are welcome, including those whose spouses are no longer with them here. Let us know your anniversaries or intentions, or your planned wedding date. For more information, please contact:

deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk

Here is the link to our Diocesan newsletter for July/August

<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-47E6F88D98A22DCD2540EF23F30FEDED>

Tavistock Foodbank: For your information the following goods are urgently required at the food bank:
Milk, Fruit juice, Tinned meat, Instant mash, Microwave rice packets,
Thank you for your ongoing support

Parish Notices

Martha Group meeting : The next meeting of the Martha Group will take place on **Tuesday 1st September** at 10:00 am. The meeting will commence with coffee.

Please continue to pray for **Joy Jewell** was safely transferred to Croydon University Hospital, Wandle 3 Ward. The family are very grateful for all the prayers, messages and visits and will no doubt keep us updated.

Sunday 23rd August Collections:

Loose plate: £ 128.40

Card Reader: £30

Standing Orders: £235

Mass attendance: 72

Thank you

Bonus Ball News: on Saturday 22nd August ball number 3 (Round 1) was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £26 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 26 subscribers that night.

The Parish Safeguarding Representative

is Sue Walsh.

The Diocese of Plymouth's Safeguarding Team is available on: 01364 645430 or by email on: **safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk**

Newsletter: Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807) or email: svwalsh@hotmail.com **(All items for the newsletter by noon on a Wednesday please)**

Parish Office.

Please note: The parish office at Yelverton remains open Tuesday-Friday, 9am-2pm, so please continue to contact Ann or Marian during those times.