



St. Anthony's R C Church

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Sunday Masses: Saturday 6.00pm. Sunday 9.30am.

HOLY DAYS: Mass at 9.30 am. Weekday Masses 9.30am. Morning prayer: Mon to Sat 9.15am.

Confessions: after the daily 9.30am Mass (Otherwise on request)

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Cheques to be made payable to "PRCDTR Ottery St Mary RC Parish".

Direct payments: Sort Code 53-50-55. Ac. No. 05126126. NatWest Bank, Honiton.

Ottery St Mary RC Parish is part of Plymouth Diocese: Registered Charity 213227.

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 March 2025

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Collections

December: £725.00 + £767.00 by direct debit, £790.00 Christmas collection for Parish Priest and £20.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission.

January: £1,525.00 + £767.00 by direct debit, £20.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission.

February: £895.00 + £767.00 by direct debit, and £20.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission.

Thank you.



Pope Francis' March prayer intention: We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. See also <https://thepopevideo.org/>

Confessions

If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), please see Fr Frank after the 9.30am Mass.

Catholic University Chaplaincies

A new website has been set up to help young people find their Catholic chaplaincy when they arrive at college or university this autumn – catholic@university.org.uk

Music in church, Sunday 9.30am Mass

Entrance: No.213 Holy God, we praise thy name. **Offertory:** No. 67 Blessed are you Lord.

Communion: No. 355 My God, accept my heart this day. **Recessional:** No. 188 Go, the Mass is ended.

Some news to share in March 2025

- With sadness I said good-bye on Friday to the two carpenters/builders who have been at St Anthony's for fourteen days and have done an excellent work. They will come back when we are in a more comfortable position money wise.
- A big thank you to the two parishioners who recently donated £220 and £100 respectively towards the ongoing work in the Church.
- The church thermostat has been lowered from 19.5* to 18.5*. Some parishioners advised that the church temperature was too high.

Mass readers

DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	BIDDING PRAYERS
22 Feb. 2025	Ronnie Harwood	Jess Hay	Daniel Hay
23 Feb. 2025	Louise Jarvis	Simon Knight	
1 Mar. 2025	Paul Doyle	Etta Dearden	Tamara Snell
2 Mar. 2025			

Saturday evening Mass Coordinator: Ian Stuart Mob. 07816787848, Email: istuart888@gmail.com
Sunday morning Coordinator: Cindy Yeoman-Edwards Mob. 07910264888, Email: cindyaedwards@yahoo.com
New volunteers to read, please, contact Ian (for Sat. 6.00pm Mass) or Cindy for (Sunday 9.30am Mass).

Message from Canon Paul Cummins, Diocesan Administrator, Diocese of Plymouth

As you will remember, back in November Bishop Philip issued a statement postponing his installation as the Bishop of Plymouth. He has now written a follow-up statement: "At the beginning of November 2024, just before I was to begin my ministry in Plymouth, I let it be known that concerns of a personal nature had been raised, to which I had to attend immediately. This has taken longer than I anticipated. All things considered, I have come to the decision to present to the Holy Father a request to step down from my appointment as Bishop of the Diocese of Plymouth. The Holy Father has accepted my request. For the immediate future I will be taking a sabbatical: a time of prayer and personal reflection, the next stage on the journey of my ministry. I realise, with regret, that this leaves a continuing vacancy in the Diocese of Plymouth. I assure the lay faithful, clergy and religious of the Diocese of my good wishes and prayers, and ask the same of them for me."

Lent is coming! Ash Wednesday Mass is at 9.30am on 5th March.

This Lent we have some initiatives to enrich your Lenten journey: receiving the Ashes on Ash Wednesday (a Day of fasting and abstinence), Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 12noon, Morning Prayer every day at 9.15am.

First Holy Communion classes

For 6–12-year-old children started in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 14th January 2025 at 4.00pm. We had three children to start with, but the more we get the merrier. If interested, please come along on Tuesday and have a chat with Louise Jarvis or/and Elizabeth Williams, our catechists.

Refreshments after 9.30am Mass

We are most welcome to have some refreshments in the Parish Hall after the 9.30am Sunday Mass.