



# 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. Mon. to Fri. Mass 9.30am. Morning prayer: Mon to Fri. 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.

## 21st Sun in Ordinary Time

23 August 2026

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### Collections

May: £735.00 + £790.00 by direct debit.

June: £1,122.00 + £790.00 by direct debit, Sierra Leone Mission £20.00 and £8.00 Peter's Pence.

July: £605.00 + £790.00 by direct debit, Peter's Pence £10 and £20 O.A.R. Sierra Leone Mission.

Thank you.

### 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](mailto:catholic@university.org.uk)

### Music in church, Sunday 9.30am Mass

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

Communion: No. 295 Lay your hands gently upon us. Recessional: No.190 Guide me, O thou.

### Mass readers

| DATE         | FIRST READING |               | BIDDING PRAYERS |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 22 Aug. 2026 | Tamara Snell  | Kate Egan     | Ian Stuart      |
| 23 Aug. 2026 | Ros Temple    | Kate Egan     |                 |
| 29 Aug. 2026 | Tamara Snell  | Debbie Stuart | Ian Stuart      |
| 30 Aug. 2026 |               |               |                 |

Saturday evening Mass Coordinator: Ian Stuart Mob. 07816787848, Email: [istuart888@gmail.com](mailto:istuart888@gmail.com)

Sunday morning Mass Coordinator: Louise Jarvis Mob. 07905 418444

## **27 August, St Monica (331 - 387)**

*She was born at Thagaste in Africa of a Christian family. She was married young, to Patricius, and among her children was Augustine. He had a brilliant intellect and uncertain morals and his wayward spiritual career saw him at one time a Manichee and then a Neoplatonist. With many tears she prayed unceasingly to God for his conversion and her prayers were answered shortly before she died. She had a deep faith and outstanding virtue and is a wonderful example of a Christian mother.*

## **28 August, St Augustine – Bishop & Doctor (354 - 430)**

*Augustine was born in Thagaste in Africa of a Berber family. He was brought up a Christian but left the Church early and spent a great deal of time seriously seeking the truth, first in the Manichaeian heresy, which he abandoned on seeing how nonsensical it was, and then in Neoplatonism, until at length, through the prayers of his mother and the teaching of St Ambrose of Milan, he was converted back to Christianity and baptised in 387, shortly before his mother's death. Augustine had a brilliant legal and academic career, but after his conversion he returned home to Africa and led an ascetic life in Community with some of his friends. He gave them a Rule that has been followed by numerous Orders and Congregations of women and men over the centuries up to the present time. He was elected Bishop of Hippo and spent 34 years looking after his flock, teaching them, strengthening them in the faith and protecting them strenuously against the errors of the time. He wrote an enormous amount and left a permanent mark on both philosophy and theology. His Confessions, as dazzling in style as they are deep in content, are a landmark of world literature. He was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Boniface VIII in 1308*

## **Mass for Marriage**

Midday on Saturday 12th Sept with Bishop Nicholas Hudson at Plymouth Cathedral. 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](mailto:deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk)

## **Marriage support**

From relationships that 'just in a rut', needing refreshment, or more serious we have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) +44 797 338 0443

## **Stop assisted suicide being legalised!**

Assisted suicide campaigners have sadly brought back the Leadbeater Bill. This can be stopped if MPs vote down the Bill on 11th September. Right To Life UK has launched an EasyAction tool to help you email your MP to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide in the vote in the House of Commons on 11 September. Please take 30 seconds to email your MP today to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide: <https://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote>

## **Church cleaners needed**

We need two more cleaners to be able to have two '2 person' cleaning teams to clean the church once a month each team. Can you help?

## **Refreshments after 9.30am Sunday Mass**

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