

**St Mary & St Petroc Bodmin + St Petroc Padstow +  
St Paul Tintagel + St Michael Wadebridge**

**Roman Catholic Diocese of Plymouth**

Plymouth Diocesan Trust (Registered Charity No. 213227)

**Second Week in Christmastide A Psalter Wk2, 2026**

4<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026

	<b>Bodmin</b>	<b>Padstow</b>	<b>Tintagel</b>	<b>Wadebridge</b>
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> St. John - Apostle		5.30pm Vigil Mass <i>Margaret Chew RIP</i>		
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30am Mass <i>Fr. Michael Savage RIP</i>		5.30pm Mass	8.30am Mass
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	6pm Mass - Vigil of Epiphany			
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b> The Epiphany of the Lord	10:00am Mass		9.30am Holy Hour for Life	
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup></b> St Raymond of Penyafont	10:00am Mass <i>Daniel Cozens RIP</i>			
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup></b>			10:00am Mass	
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup></b>				10:00am Mass
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup></b> Vigil of Baptism		5.30pm Vigil Mass		
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b> The Baptism of the Lord	10.30am Mass		5.30pm Mass	8.30am Mass

**Confessions**

**On request after all Masses (Except Sunday Masses outside Bodmin)**

*Madonna/Gentle Madonna,/It's so sweet,/to be your children/  
Protect us,/O dear Madonna/we need your/Motherly care*

## Second Sunday after the Nativity

**Entrance Antiphon:** When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne.

### First reading from Sirach 24:1-2, 8-12

Wisdom will praise herself and will boast in the midst of her people. In the assembly of the Most High she will open her mouth, and in the presence of his forces she will boast: 'Then the Creator of all things commanded me, and the one who created me gave my tent a resting place. And he said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob and in Israel receive your inheritance." From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for eternity I shall not cease to exist. In the holy tabernacle I ministered before him, and so I was established in Sion. In the beloved city likewise he gave me a resting place, and in Jerusalem was my dominion. So I took root in an honoured people, in the portion of the Lord, his inheritance.'

The word of the Lord.

**All reply:** Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial:** The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

### Second reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.

The word of the Lord.

**All reply:** Thanks be to God.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia: Glory to you, O Christ, proclaimed among the nations. Glory to you, O Christ, believed in throughout the world. Alleluia. Alleluia.

### A reading from the Holy Gospel According to John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the Only Begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness about him, and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me."'

For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only begotten God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All reply:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Communion Antiphon:** To all who would accept him, he gave the power to become children of God.

## Confirmation & First Holy Communion 2026

If you have a child in year 3 or above who would like to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation in 2026 please contact the parish office. Also if you would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation and are 14 or over please contact the parish office.

**Parking at St Mary's:** Please do not park in St Mary's Gardens (the Old Abbey) or block the entrance, as this is private parking. There is availability in the school's carpark which you will a code, just phone the office for it, or the parish centre has parking. Thank you.

**Caritas has produced this Advent Giving Calendar.** It is designed for all of us to use this season to think about those who might need some extra support this Christmas. We would like to support the families in our parish school. To do this we will be collecting **hygiene items** that will help them to stay healthy and hopefully will bring them some cheer over Christmas and into the stark months of January. Please place in the box provide next weekend.

**A Special Thank you:** A big thank you to everyone who has donated so far, we are hoping to continue this into the New Year. God bless us all, Amen.

**Teens residential**, 23rd - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026, Est Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor

The 2026 teens residential (those aged 13-17) are invited to explore lives of people holding the refugee and asylum seekers status in the UK. There is time to question refugees and asylum seekers to hear why they left their homes to seek asylum. Once listening to the stories there is a chance for young people to form their own opinion and decide what action they would like to take. This event cost £50pp. To book: For further information: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

## PUTTING ALL CHILDREN FIRST – ESPECIALLY AT CHRISTMAS TIME

Please take time to visit our nativity over the Christmas period. The collection will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) as it works across the Diocese spreading God's love and giving families hope in times of crisis. We continue to ask you for a combination of concern, prayer and action. **May God bless all our supporters and donors.**

## Dilexi Te – The Burning Heart of the Church's Mission

*A day of reflection with Bishop Nicholas Hudson*

21 February 2026, 11am-4pm, Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre

Join Caritas and CAFOD this Lent for a diocesan day to reflect on Pope Leo XIV's powerful Apostolic Exhortation Dilexi Te, which calls us to return to the Gospel and reminds us that love of the poorest of our sisters and brothers is part of the "burning heart of the Church's mission".

Hear from our inspirational Speakers: Rt Rev Nicholas Hudson, Bishop of Plymouth; Christine Allen, CAFOD Director; Raymond Friel OBE, CSAN Chief Executive Officer; Fr. Richard Finn OP, University of Oxford.

[Click here to register](#) or email: [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk)



Fr Placid, Fr Robbie and Deacon Rafael would like to thank everyone for their greetings, gifts and prayers over the Christmas Season and wish you every blessing in the coming year.

**Parish Office:** Opening hours Mon-Fri 9am-12noon.  
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**Parish Account Details:** Bodmin RC Parish, Account number: 68166990, Sort Code:60-03-54



**Newsletter:** Available on our website. Deadline for items 10am Thursday.

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**Masses on-line:** Our 10.30am Mass is livestreamed onto Facebook & YouTube.

**Refreshments:** Usually served after Saturday 5.30pm Vigil Mass Padstow and  
10.30am Sunday Mass at St Mary's Parish Centre, Bodmin.

**Donations to support others:** Foodbank items can be left at the back of our churches. Plymouth  
Diocesan Children's Society boxes are available to recycle items.

#### TOGETHER IN PRAYER

**Please keep in your prayers our sick and housebound Parishioners including** *Carole Coates, Mary Jephcote, Stanley Dunlop-Martin, Greg Lee, Marion Vickery, Gino Paul Petrillo, Julia Alcock, Barrie Shipley, Charlotte Osborne, Stephen Bournes*. May the Lord bless them and all who care for them.

**If you would like a Mass intention, please let the office know.**

**Food Bank Collection:** At the back of the church there is a collection basket for donations for the Food Bank

#### **The Pope's January Intention – The prayer with the Word of God**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church. (<https://www.popesprayer.va>)