

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

**Roman Catholic Diocese of Plymouth**  
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**Second Week in Lent, Year A; Psalter WK2, 2026**  
1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

	<b>Bodmin</b>	<b>Padstow</b>	<b>Tintagel</b>	<b>Wadebridge</b>
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup></b>		5.30pm Vigil Mass <i>James Taylor RIP</i>		
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> 2nd Sunday in Lent</b>	10:30am Mass <i>Rosemary Akiemen INT</i>		5.30pm Mass <i>Roger Pettett INT</i>	8.30am Mass
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	10:00am Mass			
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>		10:00am Mass	9.30am Holy Hour for Life	
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> St. Casimir</b>	10:00am School Mass Adoration after Mass			
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b>		12.00pm Stations of the Cross	09:00am Funeral Mass - Margret Bowers <b>No Stations of the Cross</b>	
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> World day of Prayer</b>	6:00pm Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm: Stations of the Cross			9:30AM - Stations of the Cross 10:00am - Mass
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> St Perpetua &amp; St. Filicity</b>		5.30pm Vigil Mass		
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	10.30am Mass <i>The Akiemen Family INT</i>		5.30pm Mass	8.30am Mass <i>Vera &amp; Stan Hawthorne RIP</i>

**PRAYER FOR LENT:**

God of growth, in the beginning you planted a garden and walked with us, your beloved creation. Teach us to tread lightly as we care for all you made.

God the Sower you plant seeds of your Kingdom in the soil of our hearts. Water them with your Word and weed out fear and selfishness. Cultivate in us your compassion so we may truly love our neighbours.

God of Gethsemane you chose the tree of suffering which would bring us new life. May its roots grow deep within us, inspiring us to seek justice so all people may flourish in the garden of your grace. Amen.

## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

**Entrance Antiphon:** Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

### **First reading from the Book of Genesis (12:1-4a)**

In those days: The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

The word of the Lord.

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

**Responsorial:** May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.

### **Second reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy 2 1:8b-10**

Beloved: We share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel..

The word of the Lord.

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

**Gospel Acclamation:** Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father. From a bright cloud, the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my beloved Son, listen to him'. Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father.

### **A reading from the Holy Gospel According to Matthew (17:1-9)**

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.' When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and have no fear.' And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, 'Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Communion Antiphon:** This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

**TODAY: CAFOD Soup lunch**

Please join us for a CAFOD soup lunch after 10:30 Mass on Sunday 1 March in the parish centre. Everyone welcome to enjoy delicious homemade soups. All donations will benefit our brothers & sisters living with hunger.

**Padstow Churches Together - Lent Lunches for Water Aid - 12.30 to 2pm followed by Lent Talk.**

2 March - St. John's Methodist Church, Padstow

9 March - Little Petherick Village Hall

16 March - St. Merryn Church Hall

23 March - Padstow Church Rooms (Catholic Community)

**World Day of Prayer:** Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> of March at Methodist Church, Padstow. Time: 2:30PM.

**Bishop Nicholas is coming to Our Lady of the Portal & St. Piran Truro,** for a Station Mass on 4<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm. I am writing to you as you are our neighbouring parishes. You are invited and very welcome to come and concelebrate.

**A zoom course for Lent - The Parables of Jesus.**

Monday 2nd March. Dame Karen Foong - The Parable of the Rich Fool. 7pm.

Thursday 12th March. Fr Mark Skelton - The Parable of the Good Shepherd. 7pm.

Thursday 19th March. Sr Bernadette Reis - The Parable of the Prodigal Son. 7pm.

Thursday 26th March. Mr Simon Giarchi - The Parable of the Sheep and the Goats

Please feel free to join this **Newquay parish zoom course** during our Lenten journey together.

The Meeting ID is 895 7188 9251 Password is 125755

**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.

**April 20th – 24th 2026.**

An Introduction to the *Gries Path of Prayer* as well as an opportunity for a short retreat for those familiar with this way of prayer. For further details: Contact the retreat co-ordinator Paddy Ryland

[paddyrylands@gmail.com](mailto:paddyrylands@gmail.com)

Jun 26<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> (Fri - Sun) Weekend Retreat (£160)

Jun 26<sup>th</sup> -1st July (Fri-Wed) Extended Weekend Retreat ( £350)

Venue: Sclerder Abbey Retreat House, (Chemin Neuf) Cornwall.

A retreat house with large garden and pleasant rural walks, close to the sea, once a Carmelite monastery situated near Looe offers simple accommodation. Cost includes full board & lodging, but help is available for those who would like to go on retreat but have difficulties with the recommended donations.

For further details and bookings contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at [diocesan-ignatian-retreats@predtr.org.uk](mailto:diocesan-ignatian-retreats@predtr.org.uk) or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637

**School Toiletries Lent Collection:** There is a collection basket for our Lenten fast donations in the church porch for St Mary's school. This is separate to the Food Bank baskets.

**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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Tel: 01208 73218. Website: [www.st-marys-bod.cornwall.sch.uk](http://www.st-marys-bod.cornwall.sch.uk)

**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, Stanley Dunlop-Martin, Greg Lee, Marion Vickery, Gino Paul Petrillo, Julia Alcock, Barrie Shipley, Charlotte Osborne, Stephen Bournes, Clare Giarchi, Terry Teague.* 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 March Intention – For disarmament and peace.**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence. (<https://www.popesprayer.va>)

### **Confessions**

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