

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)

SEVENTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A.

26th July – 2nd August 2026

	Bodmin	Padstow	Tintagel	Wadebridge
Saturday 25th St. James - Apostle		4:30pm - Baptism 5.30pm Vigil Mass Int. - Mary and Donbas people		
Sunday 26th 17th Sunday in Ord. Time	10.30am Mass RIP – Ita McAleavey		5:30pm Mass Fr. Bryan Storey & Ellie Soutter RIP	8.30am Mass RIP - Fr. Jon Bielawski
Monday 27th	10:00am MASS RIP - Fr. Jon Bielawski			
Tuesday 28th		10:00am Mass RIP - Fr. Jon Bielawski	9.30am Holy Hour for Life	
Wednesday 29th Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus	10:00am Mass RIP - Fr. Jon Bielawski			
Thursday 30th St. Germanus			10:00am Mass	
Friday 31st St. Ignatius	Exposition & Adoration 6:30pm			10.00am Mass RIP - Fr. Jon Bielawski
Saturday 1st August St. Ignatius	Baptism - 11am	5.30pm Vigil Mass INT - Jacqueline Rappaport		
Sunday 2nd 18th Sunday in Ord. Time	10.30am Mass INT - Fr. Paul Naduvilathayil OCD		5.30pm Mass Int. - Mini Baker	8.30am Mass

The Pope's Intention in the month of August – For evangelization in the city.

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community. (<https://www.popesprayer.va>)

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First reading from First Book of Kings (3:5-6a, 7-12)

In those days: The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, 'Ask what I shall give you.' And Solomon said, 'O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?'

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. And God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life, or riches, or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you.'

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial: O LORD, how I love your law!

Second reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans (8:28-30)

Brothers and Sisters: We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia, alleluia. I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children. Alleluia.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (13:44-52)

At that time: Jesus said to the crowd: 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into vessels but threw away the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

'Have you understood all these things?' They said to him, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

Gospel of the Lord.

All reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

Save the Date - On Sunday 16th August we will have a celebration of Fr. Robbie's ministry. After Mass we will have an opportunity to thank Fr. Robbie and join together at the Parish Centre for light refreshments. Please bring a plate of food if you are able (List in the back of the church from next week).

If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift, please either put cash in a gift envelope and hand it to Fr. Placidus or to Kate in the office. Cheques or BACS Bank transfer should be made to PRCDTR Bodmin R.C. Parish. Account number 68166990, Sort Code 60-03-54

CAFOD Debt Petition

At the end of all Masses on 1st/ 2nd August we will be collecting signatures for a CAFOD petition about the global debt crisis, which is causing terrible suffering for our sisters and brothers around the world. Please stop for a minute as you leave and lend your support. Thank you for helping to build a better world.

SPUC Meeting Tuesday 4th August at St. Paul's Committee Room, Bossiney Road, Tintagel, PL34 0AQ. The meeting will start at 10.30 am after the Holy Hour for the unborn. Guest speaker will be Julie Vivienne Christian broadcaster, campaigner and full-time officer for SPUC ;more information: 07721 277749.

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

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

STEPPING INTO STILLNESS

An Introduction to Contemplative Praying and Living *Contemplative Retreats* at St. Rita's Centre, Honiton, Devon

August 18th – 27th 2026

8 Day Contemplative Retreat for those familiar with this way of praying as well as introducing the *Gries Path* to those for whom it is new. (The team will include the current director of Haus Gries, Fr Lutz Mueller SJ as well as Margaret Castro and Paddy Rylands) For further details: Contact the retreat co-ordinator Paddy

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ONLINE Starting on Sept 22nd 2026

Tuesday Evenings. 7.00pm – 9.00pm. 7 Online Sessions (Zoom) Introduction to the *Gries Path of Prayer*. Those for whom getting away from home is difficult find this to be a helpful introduction to stepping into a prayer of stillness with God.

For further details, contact the Administrator, House of Prayer enquiries@houseofprayer.org.uk

Our third National Eucharistic Congress will take place in **London** on Sat 10th Oct. Mass at St George's cathedral and procession across the Thames to Westminster Cathedral, followed by a vigil of adoration until 6am. **Only 32 places left. If you would like to be one of our 50 diocesan delegates, please contact Fr Chris at Poole : (01202) 746539**

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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, Stanley Dunlop-Martin, Marion Vickery, Gino Paul Petrillo, Charlotte Osborne, Stephen Bournes, Clare Giarchi, Kay Heard, John Tolhurst.* May the Lord bless them and all who care for them.

Mass Intention - If you would like a mass intention, please let the office know.

Confessions - On request after all masses (except Sunday Masses outside Bodmin).