

**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)

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A.
20th – 27th September 2026**

	Bodmin	Padstow	Tintagel	Wadebridge
Saturday 19th		5.30pm Vigil Mass		
Sunday 20th Sept 25 th Sunday in Ord. Time	10.30am Mass		5:30pm Mass	8.30am Mass Mrs Constance Barry RIP
Monday 21st St. Matthew	10:00am Mass			
Tuesday 22nd Dedication of the Cathedral		10:00am Mass	9.30am Holy Hour for Life	
Wednesday 23rd St. Pio of Pietrelcina	10.00am MASS General School Mass			
Thursday 24th Our Lady of Walsingham			10:00am Mass <i>Sisters of Mercy, living and departed who have served the Bodmin Mission</i>	
Friday 25th	Exposition & Adoration 6:30pm			10.00am Mass
Saturday 26th Sts. Cosmas & Damian	Baptism 10am	5.30pm Vigil Mass		
Sunday 27th Sept 26 th Sunday in Ord. Time	10.30am Mass		5.30pm Mass	8.30am Mass

DIOCESAN NEW CANONS INSTALLATION: 21st of September at the Cathedral. Mass: 7pm. Please, remember them in your prayers.

The Pope's Intention in the month of September – For the care of water.

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it. (<https://www.popesprayer.va>)

TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading from the Prophet Isaiah (55:6-9)

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial: The LORD is close to all who call him.

Second Reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Philippians (1:20c-24, 27a)

Brothers and Sisters: Christ will be honoured in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia, alleluia. Open our hearts, O Lord, that we may pay attention to the words of your Son. Alleluia.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (20:1-16)

At that time: Jesus told his disciples this parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market-place, and to them he said, "You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you." So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, "Why do you stand here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You go into the vineyard too."

'And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, "Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first." And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?" So the last will be first, and the first last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon: You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

FEAST OF ARCHANGEL MICHAEL: Last announcement: Tuesday 29th September; Mass at Wadebridge; Time: 11am; lunch at Trelawnney's Wadebridge after the mass. If you will be joining, this weekend is the last day to write your name for number collection.

Confirmation, First Holy Communion & Reconciliation 2027

If you have a child in year 3 or above who would like to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation in 2027 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.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest

There will be a CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal at all Masses on 26/27 September followed by our *Family Fast Day* parish collection on 3/4 October. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens.

Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at [//cafod.org.uk/envelope](https://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call [0303 303 3030](tel:03033033030). Thank you.

SAVE THIS DATE:

Saturday 24th October at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Bodmin.

'I have Loved you' – Our Response to Dilexi Te.

The Mid Cornwall Parishes of Bodmin, St Austell, Newquay and Truro are coming together, along with Caritas and CAFOD, to invite you to a day of reflection and a call to action. Using Pope Leo's Apostolic Exhortation Dilexi Te as our starting point, we will explore how we put God's love into action in our local communities. Doors open at 9.15am for a 10am start and end with mass at 3.15pm. Bring a packed lunch, drinks are provided. Please note there is limited car parking, so please lift share where possible. We encourage you to read 'Dilexi Te' before you come. **For more details**, and to book your place, please follow the link: "I Have Loved You" – Our Response to Dilexi Te Saturday 24th October 2026 – Fill in form or phone Caritas on 01364 645425

Care for Creation – A Special Year

The Year of St Francis 2026 marks the 800th anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's death in 1226. Pope Leo XIV declared that it will be a special Year of St Francis in which we are all called to become saints in our world, following St Francis' example. We are called to model a holiness of life and witness to peace. The Season of Creation is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home, starting each year on 1 September and finishing on the feast of St Francis, 4 October.

WE ARE GOING ORANGE FOR OCTOBER - Orange Box recycling scheme

Do you have any of the following -

- Stamp collections, first day covers or old envelopes and postcards pre 1950
- Coins and banknotes – any and all, old and new, from all over the world, obsolete or otherwise
- Precious metals including broken jewellery, old trophies, gold, silver
- Metals including ornaments, metal toys, keys and locks, metal cutlery – any age and any condition
- Costume jewellery · Medals · Small antiques and collectibles · Watches – digital, quartz or manual wind – working or not
- Catholic items such as rosaries, crucifixes, medals but not books

Please bring them in and pop them in your parish's Orange Box, which is located in the porch.

Thank you to all our parishes, schools and individual loyal supporters for your continued support of our small children's charity. Without your generosity, we would not be able to continue supporting so many families of all faiths and none who are struggling to provide the basic essentials of life for their children. It's hard to imagine that there are children sleeping on the floor or sharing beds with a sibling or even a parent, and by applying for a grant through our Essential Grants programme with the support of a professional worker supporting the family, we can purchase beds for these families, school uniform or white goods such as cookers, washing machines and fridge/freezers. For more information, please visit our website – www.ccsplymouth.org.uk or call 01364 645420.

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

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Parish School: St Mary's Catholic Primary, Barn Lane, Bodmin PL31 1LW.
Tel: 01208 73218. Website: 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, 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).

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