



St. Anthony's R C Church

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Sunday Masses: Saturday 6.00pm. Sunday 9.30am.

HOLY DAYS Masses at 9.30 am & 7.00pm. **Weekday Masses** 9.30am. **Morning prayer:** Mon to Sat 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.

3rd Sunday of Lent

7th March 2021

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Collections

September: £255.00 + £457.99 by direct debit, £80.00 for Sierra Leone Mission and £50.00 for CAFOD.

October: £275.00 + £457.99 by direct debit, £40.00 for Sierra Leone Mission and £43.00 for MISSIO

November: £115.00 + £457.99 by direct debit, £30.00 for Sierra Leone Mission

December: £1070.00 + £457.99 by direct debit.

Thank you.

Confessions

If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confession, please see Fr Frank after the 9.30am daily Mass.

Mass attendance

The overall Mass attendance the week starting 19 to 25 October was 42 people

The overall Mass attendance the week starting 21 to 27 December was 69 people

The overall Mass attendance the week starting 22 to 28 February was 50 people

Lent

The Lenten season provides an opportunity each year to deepen our understanding of our faith by reflecting on the Gospels. During Lent we are called both to turn away from those things that encumber our faith journey with God and to turn towards God. Lent is a wonderful opportunity to open ourselves to changes that God wants to make in us so that we can truly flourish.

The Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are traditionally prayed on the Fridays of Lent. The Stations of the Cross began as the practice of pious pilgrims to Jerusalem who would retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. Later, for the many who wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every church. You can find prayers for the Stations of the Cross at: www.jesuit.org.uk/stations-cross

May she rest in peace (R.I.P.)

Let us keep in our prayers Mary Patricia Philomena Byrne who died on 26th February 2021, aged 82 years. Her Committal for Cremation will be on Tuesday 9th March 2021, 11.30am, at the East Devon Crematorium. Our condolences and prayers to the family at this difficult time for them.

Church building development Phase 1

Week 19: The scaffolding has been taken down and the last finishing jobs – but one- have been done. Now it is time to rejoice, celebrate and thank God and those who directly or indirectly have been involved in the Project, especially Luis Torres, our Architectural Designer, and the steering group of parishioners who with him contributed with their time and ideas.

Church building development Phase 2

We have an ambitious set of works to be done to upgrade the church property. We might not be able to do all of them, but we will have them priced and then we will go as far as our budget allows us. Unfortunately, it is likely that we might come across unexpected problems that cannot be ignored. We'll see!

Do remember the poor in Lent

This year the money raised towards charity in Lent will be for *Cafod & The OAR Mission in Sierra Leone*. CAFOD envelopes are available in the porch.

Lenten Bible Course

6 weekly sessions to break open each Lenten Sunday Gospel.....before you go to Sunday Mass. Led by Mauro Iannecelli <https://comeandsee.org/lent.html>

Masses on line

During this time of lockdown, you might be interested to know that, as a guide to potential visitors, the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales, now contains details of churches that broadcast live Catholic Mass online. Some parishes of the diocese are already included. For further information, webmaster@cbcew.org.uk

Wednesday Word Scripture Reflection

Wednesday Word meets online via the Zoom app on Wednesday at 2.00pm and reflect together on the Gospel for the coming Sunday. If you would like to join and receive email notifications, please email: exeter-pastoral-assistant@prcdtr.org.uk

Lent Resources Caritas Plymouth

has developed some resources for individual, group and parish reflection during Lent 2021. The resources include podcasts, links to websites and ideas for reflection during Lent, with a focus on Catholic Social Teaching <https://www.plymouthdiocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Lenten-2021-Resources.pdf> . We hope that you find this material inspiring.

Check out Pope Francis' daily tweets on Twitter....During the Season of #Lent, the Holy Spirit drives us too, like Jesus, into the desert (Mk 1:12-15). It is not a physical place, but rather an existential dimension in which we can be silent and listen to the word of God, so that a true conversion might be effected in us. Pope Francis @Pontifex

Heaven's Road Catholic Online Radio www.heavensroadfm.com

Is an online radio broadcasting features like prayers, interviews and music to appeal to a Catholic audience – they also have many podcasts and broadcast over 40 daily live Masses from 15 churches in England and Ireland from their website www.heavensroadfm.com

CAFOD'S ON LINE Lent Calendar which has a daily scripture, chance to reflect, pray and take justice action with the worldwide family. <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Lent-calendar>