



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.

5th Sunday of Lent

21st March 2021

Psalter 1 Year B

Collections

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

December: £1070.00 + £457.99 by direct debit.

February: £275.00 + £457.99 by direct debit, £60.00 for Sierra Leone Mission and £30.00 for CAFOD.

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 8 to 14 March was 46 people

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!

Let us remember the poor in Lent

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

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

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

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

Please pray for our parishioners, family & friends, especially those who are sick, those undergoing medical procedures and in hospital and those feeling isolated in these challenging times

From the Newsletter 1st March 1992

‘Divine Office: Morning Prayer will be said every Saturday morning at 9.15am commencing on Saturday March 7, 1992’.

25 March The Annunciation of the Lord

The Solemnity of the Annunciation celebrates the coming of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce to her the special mission God had chosen for her in being the mother of His only son. We are continually reminded of the importance of this feast to our salvation in various devotional prayers. Two examples that highlight the importance of this feast are the joyous mysteries of the Rosary and the Angelus. The feast of the Annunciation began to be celebrated on this day during the fourth and fifth centuries, soon after the date for celebrating Christmas was universalized throughout the Church. This feast celebrates the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Trinity and the salvation of all mankind. This point of our salvation was deeply discussed by many of the Church fathers, to explain it to the faithful and to show the deep love God has for us. Some of the Church fathers who wrote on this were St. Athanasius, St. Gregory of Nyssa and St. Augustine.

Sunday 28 March, Palm Sunday

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-7 I did not cover my face against insult – I know I shall not be shamed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6-11 He humbled himself, but God raised him high.

GOSPEL: Mark 15:1-9 Shorter form. The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.