

OUR LADY OF THE PORTAL & St PIRAN, TRURO
OUR LADY, STAR OF THE SEA & St ANTHONY, St MAWES

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THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR A

DIVINE OFFICE ~ Week 3

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD	Truro St Mawes	10.00 am 5.00 pm	Mass Mass	People of the parish People of the parish
MONDAY 26 JANUARY <i>St Timothy Bp and St Titus Bp; Mem</i>	Truro	12.00pm	Mass	Private int
WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY <i>St Thomas Aquinas Pr, Dr; Mem</i>	Truro	10.15 am 6.00 pm 7.00 pm	Mass	Sycamore (in the hall) Adoration until 7.30 pm RCIA (in the hall)
THURSDAY 29 JANUARY <i>weekday</i>	St Mawes	12.00 pm	Mass	Adoration until 1.30 pm
FRIDAY 30 JANUARY <i>Weekday</i>	Truro	10.00 am 12.00 pm	Mass	Adoration until 12.00 pm
SATURDAY 31 JANUARY <i>Vigil Mass for Sunday</i>	Truro	6.00 pm	Mass	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 5.15 p.m and by arrangement with Fr Jacek

NEXT WEEKEND: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFLECTION

Jesus gained new disciples because he captured their hearts with love. Looking at his lifestyle and his way of persuading, we too can learn much. God constantly reminds us that the most powerful force is love. It never forces anyone. It always offers and waits. It is willing to go to the farthest corners of the world to engage in authentic dialogue, the fruit of which is a deepening of interpersonal community and a peaceful persuasion of people to care for each other's lives and the world entrusted to us.

This will only be possible if we allow God to capture our hearts.

Jesus! You constantly pass through my life, and I don't always notice Your presence.

Sometimes I don't hear Your subtle voice of invitation.

Please capture my heart with Your Love.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR JANUARY ~ for prayer with the Word of God. Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

PRAYER REQUEST: Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners, and for those who have died recently. Please also keep in your prayers all who are victims of wars, hatred and violence.

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO FR JACEK KOSTUCH: We are having a welcome reception after Mass 25 January in the hall. All are welcome. Please keep Fr Jacek in your prayers as we welcome him to our parish.

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD: The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time is the 'Sunday of the Word of God' - a day, instituted by Pope Francis, it is devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God.

WAYS OF PRAYING: Our Sycamore Course runs on Wednesdays. Workshops will begin at 10.15am and will last for 90 minutes, all are welcome.

LiFT: Our next LiFT gathering is on Saturday 7th February. This is a wonderful way to deepen and explore our faith and Church teaching. LiFT supports parents in catechising their children preparing them to receive the sacraments. Come along to find out more. All are welcome.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS): For those seeking full membership of the Catholic Church and those enquiring about the Catholic Faith, we are running our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) programme on Wednesday evenings in the parish hall at 7pm and will finish at 8.30pm. Please register your interest with the parish office and ask for a copy of the programme. For more information please speak to Pat McGovern.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK: February 7-14. There are resources for prayer, a novena for marriage, and reflections from the Bishops Conference on this link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/marriage-week/>

RETRouvaille: Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. The next date is 12th February 2026. www.retrouvaille.org.uk For more information telephone 07887 296983.

DILEXI TE – THE BURNING HEART OF THE CHURCH'S MISSION: A day of reflection with Bishop Nicholas Hudson 21 February 2026, 11am-4pm, Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre. Join Caritas and CAFOD for a day to reflect on Pope Leo XIV's powerful Apostolic Exhortation Dilexi Te. Hear from Speakers: Rt Rev Nicholas Hudson, Bishop of Plymouth; Christine Allen, CAFOD Director; Raymond Friel OBE, CSAN Chief

Executive Officer; Fr. Richard Finn OP, University of Oxford. OP, University of Oxford. To register, email: caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

GATHER CONFERENCE: We look forward to welcoming you to our annual conference on 20-22 March at Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. This year's theme is, 'I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live' and our speakers include Avril Baigent (School for Synodality) and Fleur Dorrell (The God who Speaks). Pauline Books will be bringing books for people to peruse and buy, and you can expect a wonderful weekend of faith, formation and friendship. We are delighted that we will also be joined by Bishop Nicholas as we journey together. Booking forms are available from the parish office or by emailing plymouthgather@yahoo.com

YOUTH MINISTRY: final chance to book! Teens Residential, 23-25 Jan (13-17 year olds) East Shallowford Farm on Dartmoor. For further information please contact Saskia on youth@prcdtr.org.uk Diocese of Plymouth youth events coordinator.

YOUTH EVENTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER, here is the link to the weekly newsletter. Bless Youth Ministry <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/h/t/8C09255F03B7437F>

CARITAS JANUARY NEWSLETTER: To read news of love in action around our diocese and upcoming events and dates, please go to: <https://tinyurl.com/583wpdn7>

ST FRANCIS LEPROSY GUILD (SFLG) - which is the UK's only Catholic leprosy charity - has been caring for people with leprosy for 130 years. Please keep people with leprosy in your prayers.

MODERN SLAVERY NEWSLETTER: Last year, Caritas produced a special newsletter for each of the Jubilee themes. The final newsletter from the Jubilee year on modern day slavery, was postponed to coincide with the feast of St Bakhita, patron of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. To read it go to: <https://tinyurl.com/3vzefdv2>

SAVE THE DATE: Inspire Festival, for youth, Buckfast Abbey, 14 March and Heatree Residential May 15 - 17 2026 . For information please contact Saskia Diocese of Plymouth youth events coordinator youth@prcdtr.org.uk

UNBOUND Prayer Ministry available in this Diocese. If you feel in need of freedom and inner healing through prayer, and desire a deeper relationship with Jesus, we have ministers trained to help you. Please contact unboundprayerdop@gmail.com .

THE PARISH OFFICE is open Monday, Thursday and Friday 9am-2pm. Please email any items for the parish bulletin by Wednesday evening to truro@prcdtr.org.uk