

The Pope's Prayer Intention for November

For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Canon George, Matthew Waters and Liz Berry.

Ministries - Can you help? Readers, Altar Linen; Welcoming; Flowers. Please speak to Fr Jacek.



Giving QR codes

Scan the code on the left to give to the main Parish of The Most Holy Trinity account.

Scan the code on the right to give to the Lyme Regis Restoration Fund account.



Safe Spaces

The Safe Spaces team is there for anyone who has experienced church-related abuse of any kind. They run a helpline and live chat service Mon–Sat 10am-6pm, (Thurs 12-8pm). 0300 303 1056

safespaces@firstlight.org.uk www.SafeSpacesEnglandandWales.org.uk

The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity

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Safeguarding contacts:

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In the absence of a Parish Safeguarding Representative, any concern of a safeguarding nature should be raised with the Diocesan Safeguarding Team who can be contacted on 01364 645430 or email safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk - see also <https://bit.ly/3PWtPAI>

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Sunday 19 November 2023

'O blessed are those who fear the Lord'

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: 127

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

	Mass times	Mass intentions
Sunday 19 November 33rd Sunday of OT WORLD DAY OF THE POOR WORLD DAY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	Parish intentions Emilia Zieba's nephew, Marek (in sickness)
Monday 20 November	NO MASS	
Tuesday 21 November Presentation of the blessed Virgin Mary Mem.	Axminster 7pm Followed by Adoration	Barbara KAMALI ints.
Wednesday 22 November St Cecilia V M Patron of music, musicians and poets Mem.	Seaton 10am	John & Christina DANIEL RIP
Thursday 23 November	NO MASS	Clergy Requiem Mass at 12 noon, Plymouth Cathedral. All welcome
Friday 24 November St Andrew Dung-Lac Pr M and companions Mem.	Axminster 10am	Adam, Jozek & Simone RIP (relatives of Emila ZIEBA)
Saturday 25 November 1st Mass of 34th Sunday of OT	Seaton 5:30pm	Parish intentions
Sunday 26 November 34th Sunday of OT OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE WORLD YOUTH DAY	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	Maria & Wladyslaw & son Andy RIP (Emilia ZIEBA int.) Helena & Adolf RIP (sister and husband of Emiila ZIEBA)
Confessions Saturday 10:45 - 12:00 or by arrangement		

Safeguarding Sunday

We join other churches across the UK to highlight the importance of protecting children, young people and adults at risk. If you have been impacted by abuse and would like to speak to someone about this, please contact the Diocese Safeguarding Office (see the back of the newsletter).

World Day of the Poor 2023

The theme this year is '**Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor**'. Tobit 4:7 We are invited to celebrate World Day of the Poor and to make every effort at this time to create moments of encounter and friendship, solidary and concrete assistance with those who are poor. Pope Francis' message this year is a clear call to us not to turn our face away from the poor so that God's face will not be turned away from us. The recent Synodal Assembly message to the people of God reminds us that to progress in our discernment, the Church absolutely needs to listen to everyone, starting with the poorest. This requires a path of conversion, which is also a path of praise: "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children". We are invited to reflect on how we can draw close to those who are poor and bring hope and dignity to all who are in need both at a personal and parish level. Find more information at www.plymouthdiocese.org.uk/

Christmas shoebox appeal 32 boxes were collected this week and will join other boxes going to those in need in Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine. Thank you to all who contributed.

60 Club monthly Draw The next monthly draw for the 60 Club will take place next Sunday after Mass at Axminster. Good luck!

Columban Missionaries.

It was a pleasure to welcome Fr Pat O'Beirne to our parish last weekend. The second collection raised £412.

Christmas cards now on sale at the back of the church whilst stocks last!

Catholic Children's Society packs - discounted price of £3
St Michael & George Restoration Fund Christmas Cards £5

Mary's Meals shop - Christmas cards and gift cards

Are you searching for that special Christmas gift for a loved one? Our online shop has just been fully stocked with our new festive product range! <https://bit.ly/409w88b> **Stop Child hunger** marysmeals.org.uk/

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Foodbanks are now collecting for Christmas hampers.

Items needed : Christmas cakes and puddings (any size), tins ham/chicken, boxes chocolates and biscuits, children's chocolate bar selection packs, special crisps, small bottles of J20 type drinks and mince pies (with long dates).

Many thanks for your generosity and support.

Reflection

Today's Gospel invites us to ask ourselves once again: "Who is God for me?" As we hear in the parable the success or failure of the investment, that is our life, depends on our relationship with our Creator.

If we, like two of the servants of the Gospel, see our master, God, as a generous and good giver, who trusts us and rejoices in what we do good, we will find the inner strength take a risk and trust Him.

If, on the other hand, we see the master as a demanding tyrant and a miser, who only wants to take advantage of us, in our fear we will not even open the gift (*we won't live our life*). Instead we will hide what we are given in order to return it unused out of concern that by accident we may waste the gift or offend the owner due to misusing it.

Lord Jesus, thank you for the generosity of your gifts. I'm sorry that I don't notice, use and develop all of them. Today I want to take a chance with you. Amen

Dates for your diary

Reflection on the Gospel of Mark in preparation of the new Church year

Tuesdays 21st, 28th November after evening Mass.

Wednesdays 22nd, 29th November after 10am Mass at Seaton

Thursdays 30th November and 7 December after 10am and Adoration at Lyme Regis (start time 11am)

Fridays 17th, 24th November and 1st December after 10am Mass, Axminster.

22 November 7pm - Red Wednesday Mass and Rosary for persecuted Christians, St. Peter's, Crownhill.

23 November 12 noon Clergy Requiem Mass, Plymouth Cathedral.

<https://youtu.be/DYIxSBZX550>

30 November, 3pm, Lament and Light service Holy Family Church, Plymouth PL2 3LR An ecumenical service in support of the campaign for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls. Followed by tea and coffee.

Seaton Hospital under threat! The campaign to save the Hospital was launched following the decision of the Devon Integrated Care Board (ICB) to hand back a wing of the hospital to NHS Property Services – which may lead to the wing being disposed of or even demolished. Sign the petition at the back of the church to support the campaign. For more information, visit <https://seatonhospital.wordpress.com/>

Candle sale in aid of the Catholic Childrens Society (Plymouth)

There will be a candle sale after Mass at all three churches on the first weekend of Advent 2nd and 3rd December. All candles are beautifully made by one of our parishioners. Please do support if you can!



Advent Retreats at St Rita's Centre – Ignatian silent individually guided retreats.

Nov 24th-26th (Fri-Sun) weekend £140, Nov 26th – 1st Dec (Mon-Fri) midweek £240, Nov 24th – 1st Dec (Fri-Fri) 6 day £450

Email Diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk or 01752 769164