

**Pope's prayer intention for September**  
**For the cry of the Earth**

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live. See also <https://thepopevideo.org>

**Youth Rally 2024 - Saturday 28th September – St Rita's Honiton**

Please join us at St Rita's for the Youth Rally! As usual there are many activities for all, including the obstacle course, penalty shoot-out and various inflatable activities. Young people from 6–16 are welcome to form teams of 6 to compete against others. Don't worry if you can't find a group of 6, you can join with another parish. £10 For booking and information please contact Saskia [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

**Axminster and Lyme Regis Foodbanks**

**If you can spare any non-perishable food items** such as cereal, soup, tinned rice pudding, long-life milk, tins of fruit, tinned carrots, peas, potatoes, tinned tomatoes, tea bags, coffee, jam, please put them in the box in the porch.

**Seaton Foodbank**

Week ending 23 August: 546 meals provided for 26 people. Items needed: Tins of hot dogs, stew/mince, chicken, chilli con carne, meatballs, meat pies, tins of corned beef and small tins of ham, Spam, chicken, baked beans and spaghetti, pasta sauce and curry sauce, long-life whole milk, squash, instant potato, chicken, tomato soup, small jars of coffee, savoury paste, sugar, tins of fruit, carrots, tomatoes, peas, sweetcorn, rice pudding, custard, jam, sweet biscuits, sponge puds, small shampoo / conditioner, toothpaste, toilet rolls, small washing powder/liquid, washing up liquid.

**Thank you to all for your generosity at Axminster, Lyme Regis and Seaton.**

**SAFEGUARDING EVERYBODY EVERY DAY**

You can speak to our parish safeguarding reps in confidence if you have any concerns or if you are offering to carry out a ministry that will need a DBS check and want to find out more.

Safeguarding contacts: Julie Gray and Liz Tompkins

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](mailto:safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk)

**The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity**

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**Sunday 1st September 2024**

**The just will live in the presence of the Lord**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22,27

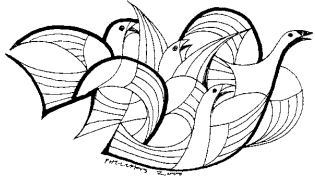
Responsorial Psalm: 14

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

	Mass times	Mass intentions
<b>SUNDAY 1st September</b> 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation)	<b>Axminster 9am</b>  <b>Lyme Regis 11am</b>	Tony GRAY RIP  For all children; young people and staff for the new school year.
<b>MONDAY 2nd September</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>TUESDAY 3rd September</b> <b>FEAST St Gregory the Great</b> Pp Dr	<b>Axminster 7pm</b> <i>(Followed by Adoration and opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation)</i>	For our Parish School
<b>WEDNESDAY 4th September</b>	<b>Lyme Regis 10am</b> <i>(Funeral Mass - Liz BERRY) - change this week only</i>	
<b>THURSDAY 5th September</b>	<b>Seaton 10am</b> <i>change this week only</i>	FM: Mary Ann WREY RIP
<b>FRIDAY 6th September</b>	<b>Axminster 10 am</b>	For all who are ill in our Parish and our families.
<b>SATURDAY 7th September</b> First Mass of 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>Seaton 5.30pm</b>	Ezra and Solenn (Thanksgiving)
<b>SUNDAY 8th September</b> 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time EDUCATION SUNDAY	<b>Axminster 9am</b>  <b>Lyme Regis 11am</b>	Parish intentions  FM: John CAREY RIP

**Confessions: Please ask Father to agree a time - also Saturday:  
Axminster 10.45 - 12.00 (noon)**

## World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and Season of Creation



The Season of Creation is an annual celebration uniting Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. The idea of celebrating 1 September as a day of prayer for creation began at the wish of the Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios in 1989, and was endorsed by Pope Francis in 2015. The season runs from September 1 to October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

Writing about the season in 2019 Pope Francis said, "this is the season for letting our prayer be inspired anew," a season "to reflect on our lifestyles," and a season "for undertaking prophetic actions ... calling for courageous decisions ... directing the planet towards life, not death."

*Pope's Message for World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, August 2024*

*Humanity's abuse of nature requires a true conversion and invites us to change our lifestyles.* <https://bit.ly/4dNLuEX>



## Organ Concert Sunday 15th September - 3:30pm Parish Church of St Michael the Archangel, Lyme Regis

**Oriel Chapman**

The South Wessex Organ Society presents the second concert in the 2024 series by young professional organists, featuring **Axminster organist Oriel Chapman**.

The programme will include works by JS Bach, Rheinberger, Vierne, Gigout and Cecilia McDowall.  
Cream tea will be available afterwards.

## Patronal Feast of St. Augustine - Fundraiser

Thank you to all who came along to enjoy the delicious cakes, and tea and coffee on Wednesday 28th August at Seaton. We raised £429.20 (*which will be matched by a generous donor*) in support of **Hospice Centre in Exeter**. Thank you also to all who joined Mass; provided the cakes and support on the day in so many ways to make this another very worthy and memorable Parish celebration which also benefitted the wider community.



## Congratulations to the winners of the August 60 Club Draw

1st prize £100 - David ACTON;      2nd prize £50 - 'Not named'  
3rd Prize £30 - Ana MUNRO



## SAVE THE DATE! Parish Ball - 11th October

Make a note in your diaries for our parish event which will take place at **Uplyme Village Hall on Friday 11th October from 7pm - 11pm.**

There will be a live band, dancing, food and drink, all in a relaxed, friendly and welcoming atmosphere. More information coming soon!

## Reflection

We can keep the provisions of the Law, obey social norms, and in our heart be far from what is good and noble.

The Pharisees and scribes placed great importance on maintaining the Law, traditions, and customs. This in itself is good, but not enough. They accuse Jesus' disciples of eating with unwashed hands, which was a violation of tradition. Jesus responds to them very severely, quoting the prophet Isaiah: "This people honours me with their lips, but their heart is far from me" (cf. Is 29:13).

What a sad assessment!

We cannot hide from God what is inside us - what is going on in the depth of our being.

The psalmist, in Psalm 139, expresses this reality very clearly: "You search and know me, O Lord. You know when I lie down and when I get up, and you read my thoughts from afar" (Ps 139:1-2). We should stand before God in humility, aware of our weakness, remembering that the human heart - although called to be close to its Lord - can become a source of great evil.

*Lord Jesus, you permeate me with your grace. Please, save me from false piety that cares about what is external and forgets about the purity of the heart. Amen.*



## Sacramental Preparation 2024 - 2025

**Our parish sacramental programmes will restart after the October school half-term 2024.** This will include preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. To be included in this programme please ensure that you register your interest by 30th September 2024.

Please do this in writing to [axminster@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:axminster@prcdtr.org.uk) with the subject heading including the Sacrament you wish to register for, full name and date of birth. In the email, please identify parent / guardian names (for under 18 year-olds), contact details and whether the candidate has received baptism or not. Preparation for Baptism can be arranged separately.

For First Reconciliation / Communion the person needs to be at least seven years old. For the Sacrament of Confirmation, the person needs to be at least 14 years old on the date of confirmation (the programme is planned to take two years). If you require further details do not hesitate to speak to Fr Jacek after Mass or leave a message with the office and Father will call you back. The celebration of the Sacraments enriches both the recipient and the wider community.

**Download the latest Plymouth Diocese newsletter** <https://bit.ly/3XaaUaa> or ask at the Parish Office for a copy.

**Please keep in your prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish** including Helen Smith, Liz Marney, Canon George, Matthew Waters, and Maggie Deutrom.