

Please keep in your prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Helen Smith, Liz Marney, Canon George, Mick Shephard, Mary Hart, Matthew Waters and Dinah Magrane.

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 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).

Axminster choir needs you! We are seeking more voices to join our choir at St Mary's, Axminster. If you enjoy music and singing, and are interested in joining us, please speak to a choir member after Mass on Sunday, or Fr Jacek. The choir meets on Fridays for practice from 5pm 6pm.

Axminster and Lyme Regis and Seaton Foodbank Foodbanks

If you are able, please donate any non-perishable (in date) items such as cereal, soup, tinned rice pudding, long-life milk, tins of fruit, tinned carrots, peas, potatoes, tinned tomatoes, meats, vegetables, tea bags, coffee, jam, biscuits, washing powder, liquid, shampoo, shower gel. **Thank you to all for your generosity.**

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

The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity

Priest in Charge: Fr Jacek Kostuch

The Priest's House

St Mary's RC Church, Lyme Road, Axminster EX13 5BE

Telephone: 01297 32135 or in an emergency 07776 082408

Parish office hours

Monday - Friday 4pm - 6pm

Monday and Wednesday 10am - 12pm

Email: axminster@prcdtr.org.uk Website: <https://thecatholicpn.org/>

The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity



St Mary's Church, Axminster, EX13 5BE



SS Michael & George Church, Lyme Regis, DT7 3HS



St Augustine's Church, Seaton, EX12 2AJ

Sunday 22nd September 2024

The Lord upholds my life.

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12. 17-20,

Responsorial Psalm: 53

Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3

Gospel: Mark 9: 30-37



Our Parish School:

St Mary's Catholic Primary, Lyme Road, Axminster EX13 5BE

T: 01297 32785

| | Mass times | Mass intentions |
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| SUNDAY 22nd September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time THE HARVEST; THE FRUITS OF HUMAN WORK AND THE REVERENT USE OF CREATION | Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am | Harvest Thanksgiving Siobhan CLEAR RIP (died 11/09/2024) |
| MONDAY 23rd September St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Mem | Axminster 12 noon | |
| TUESDAY 24th September Our Lady of Walsingham Feast | Axminster 12 noon | |
| WEDNESDAY 25th September | Seaton 10am | |
| THURSDAY 26th September | No Mass - Priests at Canon Philip DYSON funeral in Penzance | |
| FRIDAY 27th September St Vincent de Paul Pr Mem | Axminster 7pm (followed by Adoration with opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation - until 8.30pm) | |
| SATURDAY 28th September First Mass of 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Seaton 5.30pm | |
| SUNDAY 29th September 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am | Parish intentions Isabella Gibson RIP |

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

Harvest thanksgiving - this weekend

In the church's calendar Sunday 22 September is designated as the Sunday of thanksgiving, at the Eucharist, for the Harvest: The fruits of human work and the reverent use of Creation. It is also tradition that we have Harvest thanksgiving when we share some of what we have gathered with those who are less fortunate.

Leviticus 23:22 When you reap the harvest of your land you shall not reap to the very edge of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest: you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the Lord.



In response to this, please reflect on whether you can give regularly to the Food Bank. The collection bins in our churches offer an opportunity to make your contribution to the local Food Bank collection. Additionally Seaton Food Bank has a need to build up some funds for times when they need to supplement their stocks. Envelopes are provided for this purpose.

Maggie Deutrom RIP



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maggie Deutrom who died on 11th September. Please also pray for Maggie's family and friends at this difficult time. Maggie's funeral will be at Ss Michael & George, Friday 4th Oct, 11am.

Eternal rest grant unto Maggie, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon her, may she rest in peace.

Parish Ball - Friday 11th October from 7pm to 11pm Uplyme Village Hall

Tickets are now available for the parish ball! This event is free to attend but please do take a ticket from the back of the church for each person coming so that we can keep a note of how many people to cater for. If you haven't got a ticket, please contact the parish office or speak to Fr Jacek.

There will be a live band, dancing, food and drink, all in a relaxed, friendly and welcoming atmosphere, so we look forward to seeing you there!



Thank you, Fr Tomasz Margol

Whilst Fr Tomasz has been holidaying in in our parish, he has celebrated Mass which has enabled me to provide support both at the Prison and in a parish where cover was needed. I am sure you will join me in wishing Fr Tomasz many blessings for his ministry in his parish in Southwark.

Exhibition at Malthouse Gallery, Lyme Regis 22 September - 6 October

The event theme is 'Water' and Fr Jacek has been invited to talk about the use of water in **Christian rituals on Wednesday 25 September**, starting at 6pm. Free to attend. More information at: <https://evafahleclouds.wordpress.com/>

Hospital visits If you are going into hospital and would like a Catholic Priest to visit, please note you will now need to inform the care team looking after you during your stay. In an emergency, ask someone to give consent on your behalf otherwise we are unable to visit.

Reflection

Jesus progressively formed his disciples: he explained some parables to them, taught them how to pray and, above all, gave them an example of how to relate to God and the people to whom they would soon be sent.

The disciples went from enthusiasm at the moment of their calling, through the hardships of travelling together and the effort to spread the news of the kingdom, to difficult lessons that they did not understand. Then they experienced fear of what happened to Jesus when "he was handed over into the hands of men", fear after his death and again delight during meetings with the Risen Jesus.

All this was needed so that they could experience their insufficiency and the power of the Holy Spirit working in them. Only when their attitude was matured could they become faithful witnesses of Jesus even to the point of martyrdom. The great things to which they had been called are to be accepted with the trust and simplicity of children. Human ambition provides poor counsel in the matters they are called to witness. Humility and simplicity are the much needed 'tools' that make it easier to accept Jesus and the Father.



Lord Jesus, it is difficult to give in to your vision of the world.

I am asking You to free my heart from all that makes it difficult for me to accept You and the Father. Amen.

Sacrament of Baptism - Saturday 28 September

We pray for Millie who is to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at St Mary's, Axminster. Every Sacrament is a gift from God to the one receiving it but also to the Church as a whole. Please also pray for Millie's parents and Godparents who commit to nurture the New Life given in Baptism.

In the past, the third Sunday of September was called Home Mission Sunday. In Pope Francis' Pontificate, this changed to Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel) Sunday.

There is a second collection this weekend to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday/>

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

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. **If you wish to go, please let the parish office know so that we can arrange this!**

Save the Children Cream Tea – Thank you

We have received a note of gratitude from the Save the Children Lyme Regis Branch for use of our facilities at Lyme Regis on 7 September when they hosted a fundraising cream tea. They are grateful for the support received which raised an incredible £341 in spite of the fact that the weather didn't play ball.



The next **60 Club monthly draw** will take place after Mass next Sunday at Ss Michael & George, Lyme Regis. Good luck!