

Pope's September Prayer Intention - *For our relationship with all of creation*

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Axminster and Lyme Regis Foodbanks

Axminster Foodbank supplies are extremely low!

Items needed: cereal, soup, rice pudding, long-life milk, tins fruit, mixed veg carrots, peas, potatoes, pasta, tomatoes, beans, tinned meats, tea bags, coffee, jam, biscuits, long-life milk, washing powder/liquid, shampoo, shower gel.

Seaton Foodbank Items needed: sugar, small jars of coffee, fairy cakes, tinned or long life custard, rice puddings, tins of meat for hot meals - chicken, stew, mince, chilli con carne, meatballs, sausages with beans or spaghetti, ravioli, spaghetti Bolognese, tinned cold meat - corned beef, jars of marmalade, tins of carrots or peas, instant noodles, washing-up liquid. **Please note we are unable to accept alcoholic drinks, fresh food, out of date and opened food.**

Please try to give one item each week if possible - Thank you

"...for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me

something to drink." *Matthew 25:35,40*



If you are UK tax payer, you can GIFT AID your offering to the parish. This enables us to claim

approximately one quarter of your contribution back from the Treasury thus considerably increasing the

offering. It doesn't cost you a penny but benefits the parish enormously. You can GIFT AID if you contribute by regular or single donations. Forms are available from the back of the church, the Parish Office, or on the parish website.

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If you would like to set up regular monthly donations, please contact the Parish Office.

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

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Parish office hours

Monday - Friday 4pm - 6pm

Monday 10am - 12pm

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Sunday 14th September 2025

Never forget the deeds of the Lord!.

Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9

Responsorial Psalm : Ps 78

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: John 3:13-17



Our Parish School:

St Mary's
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Lyme Road, Axminster
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| Mass times | | Mass intentions |
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| SUNDAY 14th September 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS FEAST | Axminster 9am | Maggie DEUTROM RIP |
| | Lyme Regis 11am | Maddy ANHOLT RIP |
| MONDAY 15th September Our Lady of Sorrows | Mem | No Mass |
| TUESDAY 16th September St Cornelius Pp M Patron of cattle & domestic animals St Cyprian Bp M | Mem | Axminster 7pm (Adoration until 8.30pm) |
| | | Family of Emilia ZIEBA (4 generations) |
| WEDNESDAY 17th September | Seaton 10am | George BEAGLEY RIP |
| THURSDAY 18th September | Lyme Regis 10am | Family of Emilia ZIEBA (4 generations) |
| FRIDAY 19th September | Axminster 10am | Jane PEARSE RIP |
| SATURDAY 20th September 1st Mass of 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time St Andrew Kim Tae-gon Pr Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions Mm | Mem | |
| | Axminster 10am Seaton 5:30pm | Parish intentions |
| SUNDAY 21st September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time HOME MISSION DAY - (THE SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL) | Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am | George WINTER RIP Anthony KELLY RIP |
| Confessions: Saturdays 10.45-12.00; after Masses weekdays or by arrangement with Fr Jacek | | |

The Carmel of the Annunciation, Thicket, York *Thought from Thicket....*

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

"The world is in flames: the fire can spread even to our house, but above all the flames the Cross stands on high and it cannot be burnt. The Cross is the way which leads from earth to heaven."
(St. Edith Stein)



Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

It may seem a little early to be talking about Christmas but as we write this message, Blythwood Care are busy behind the scenes planning the 2025 Shoe Box Appeal for children and families in desperate situations around the world. This year, we are joining together with Seaton Churches Together to fill shoeboxes in support of this charity and to bring a little joy into the lives of those in war torn countries and extreme poverty.

Since their first Shoe Box Appeal in 1993 more than 2.8 million boxes have been sent – each one different, each one personal, each one an expression of your care and kindness towards a stranger in need. Filled with small, practical items such as toiletries, stationery, and clothing, the individually-wrapped boxes have been distributed in schools, hospitals, orphanages and care homes, and to households in very low income communities. Many have gone to people affected by the war in Ukraine.

Please take a leaflet at the back of the church and fill a shoebox for someone in need this Christmas. We have a number of boxes available, or if you have your own, please wrap this and fill with items detailed in the leaflet at the back of the church.

The boxes will need to be filled and returned to church no later than Sunday 2nd November. They will be collected by Blythwood for processing and shipping on Monday 3rd November.

If you are unable to fill a whole box, you can donate items to be added to the boxes. You can also donate online at <https://blythwood.org/shoeboxappeal/>



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Save the Date - Parish Quiz Night - Friday 10th October 6.30pm - 9pm - St Mary's Primary School

St Augustine's Seaton will be hosting our next parish quiz taking place at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Axminster. In addition to the quiz there will be food and drinks provided, all included in the ticket price, and we will have a prize for the winning team.

Please make this a priority in your social calendar as it provides an opportunity for us to grow as a community. We realise that for some, getting there is difficult. Please let us know if you need a lift. **Ticket price: Over 16's £10 (recommended donation)** towards parish funds. **Tickets available from next weekend.**

Jubilee Year event 'Pilgrims of Hope' Chideock Martyrs Parish Pilgrimage 1st October, 10:30am - 2:30pm

The day will include Mass, a visit to the museum and also the Martyrs cross (weather permitting), followed by lunch. **If you wish to attend, please add your name to the form at the back of the church.** We will advise further details in due course!



Reflection

The exaltation of the bronze serpent in the desert, which we hear about in today's first reading, reminds us that we must contemplate the cause of our death. The paradox of the serpent lies precisely in this. It invites each of us to reflect with faith and trust in God what causes our destruction, and a positive response followed by action to avoid what causes destruction, ensures that we will live. It is not the serpent that saves, but God who shows His power in the life of a person who trusts Him. The Cross of Jesus exposes: our inability to love God, ourselves, and our neighbours: and our rebellion against the call to change our lives, against the call to trust God more than ourselves. We do not agree with Jesus' diagnosis that the source of evil is our own heart - its when we agree, look at the Cross and receive the Grace that flows from It.

Jesus, grant me grace and strength, so that by contemplating Your cross, I may see what destroys me and that I may carry my cross, relying on Your love.



Preparation for Sacraments - 2025/2026

Preparation for receiving the Sacraments of Baptism; Reconciliation; Holy Communion and Confirmation will begin end September/beginning of October 2025. This includes:

For children 7 years and above, parents who wish their child to be prepared for these Sacraments

For children/young people who will be 14 years old or older by Easter 2026 - meetings to reflect on the teaching of the Catholic Church which will provide an opportunity to grow in Faith and also for those who haven't received the Sacrament of Confirmation prepare to receive this Sacrament

For all wishing to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church

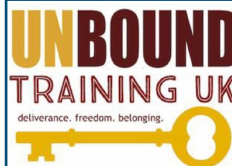
If you wish to receive further information on any of the above please speak to Fr Jacek asap or email our Parish Office axminster@prcdtr.org.uk

Please keep in your prayers those who are sick, housebound and those have requested prayers in our parish including Helen Smith, Liz Marney, Canon George, Mick Shephard, Mary Hart, Matthew Waters, Tony Kavanagh, Susan Dack.

Youth Rally 2025, Saturday 20th September, St Rita's, Honiton. 12-6pm

Aimed at those aged 6-16 years. Come as a team of 6 (over 12's or under 12's) or join a team. It's a fun way to meet others from across the Diocese, have a go at some of the challenges and maybe win a trophy.

To book: <https://forms.office.com/e/swtEZ0viqV> For info: youth@prcdtr.org.uk



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