

Pope's October Prayer Intention - *For collaboration between different religious traditions.* Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity

Latest Caritas Newsletter with news of love in action from across the diocese. Download here <https://bit.ly/4ojsP93>

World Day of the Poor Event 'Signs of Hope' 15 November 10:30am – 3pm St Rita's Honiton

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth invites you to their 'Signs of Hope' event, marking World Day for the Poor. David McLoughlin will deliver keynote talks, helping us reflect on Pope Leo XIV's message and explore ways to combat poverty both globally and locally. Simple lunch included.

To register please phone Caritas on 01364 645360 or email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

Axminster Foodbank

In Axminster 40 families (100 people) needed assistance this week. Your generous donations make a positive difference to their lives.

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

This week we helped 15 adults and 2 children providing enough food for 357 meals **Items needed:** Tins of chilli con carne, meatballs and hot dogs, packets of noodles and savoury rice, packs of fairy cakes, sugar, cream crackers, small bottles shampoo, jars of peanut butter, long life semi-skimmed milk, tins of rice pudding, small bottles of squash, toilet rolls, small bottles of squash, toilet rolls.

Please note we are unable to accept alcoholic drinks, fresh food, out of date and opened food.

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

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Parish office hours

Monday - Friday 4pm - 6pm

Monday 10am - 12pm

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SS Michael &
George Church,
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St Augustine's
Church,
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Sunday 19th October 2025

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Responsorial Psalm : 121

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8



Our Parish School:

St Mary's
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Lyme Road, Axminster
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	Mass times	Mass intentions
SUNDAY 19th October 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (WORLD MISSION DAY)	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am Axminster 4pm (Mass in Malayalam)	Alan GIBBINS RIP For mission of SMAs
MONDAY 20th October	NO MASS	
TUESDAY 21st October	Axminster 5pm (Adoration until 6.30pm)	Thanksgiving
WEDNESDAY 22nd October	Seaton 10am	Doreen BAKER RIP
THURSDAY 23rd October	Lyme Regis 10am	Wiktor KUROWSKI RIP
FRIDAY 24th October	Axminster 10am	For all children and staff for half-term break
SATURDAY 25th October 1st Mass of 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (NOTE: Clocks go back one hour)	Seaton 5:30pm	Doreen BAKER RIP
SUNDAY 26th October 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	Parish Intentions
Confessions: Saturday 10.45 - 12.00 ; after Masses weekdays or by arrangement with Fr Jacek		

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

"O my Beloved, one mission alone would not be sufficient for me, I would want to preach the Gospel on all five continents simultaneously and even to the most remote isles. I would be a missionary, not for a few years only but from the beginning of creation until the consummation of the ages.
(St Thérèse of Lisieux)



Doreen BAKER RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Doreen who died on 13th October.
Please also pray for Doreen's family and friends who mourn her at this time. The funeral will take place at St Augustine, Seaton - date and time to be announced.

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, Dermott Lyons, Elizabeth Holmes.

An opportunity to reflect on the Mass - this is offered after Mass in **Seaton** on the following Wednesdays (*45 minutes each*);
22nd October and 12th, 19th and 26th November.

Day for Life Grant awarded for our School Pastoral Worker project

Each year the Church has a Day for Life Sunday when we are particularly reminded of our responsibility to nurture life from conception to natural death. In addition to this reflection, we are encouraged to provide financial support to our Bishops' Conference initiative to support financially projects that seek to live out this message. We as a parish applied for funding to support our commitment to our school in the form of funding of the School Pastoral Worker project which seeks to support family life, in particular those who are most vulnerable. Our application was successful and we received a £10,000 grant which will help us with a financial commitment we have made as a parish. We are grateful for your support of the Day for Life are also grateful to our Bishops for recognising the work we are doing in our parish school.



Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Filled with small, practical items such as toiletries, stationery, and clothing, individually-wrapped boxes have been distributed in schools, hospitals, orphanages, care homes, extreme low income communities.

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 9th November.** They will be collected by Blythswood for processing and shipping on **Monday 3rd November.** If you are unable to fill a whole box, you can bring new items to be added to the boxes.

Please also join us for the Shoebox Blessing Service at St Augustine of Hippo, Seaton - Sunday 9th November.



Reflection

The Gospel for this Sunday provides us with the foundation to ask the question: 'Do I allow discouragement to distract me from praying?'

The unjust judge and God. What a combination?

If we have the courage to look into the dark depths of our hearts, do we not see there outrage at suffering, especially the suffering of the innocent and defenseless? Does the death from hunger of infants all over the world not provoke anger at the injustice of the world? Does it not raise questions about how God can allow this? After the World Wars and the horror of the Holocaust, it was even said that "God does not exist."

God is not afraid of our accusations of injustice; He only cares that we persevere in faith and trust in calling out. Our calling out to God in honest prayer doesn't change God it changes us. If we try this we will see.

Lord Jesus, do not allow weakness and doubts to overwhelm my heart, but give me perseverance in prayer, keeping discouragement away from me.



Ending 2025 and Starting 2026 with Young People in Paris (18-35)

<https://www.assumptionists-uk.org/taizemeetingparis2025>



Preparation for Sacraments - 2025/2026

Preparation for receiving the Sacraments of Baptism; Reconciliation; Holy Communion and Confirmation will begin 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

Advent Retreat for 18-30 year olds, Sclerder Abbey. 21st - 23rd November

Join young adults from across the Diocese of Plymouth to prepare for Advent. During the weekend you will explore Johns scripture; 'The word became flesh and dwelt amongst us' (J1:14) whilst experiencing elements of the Chemin Neuf Community, listening to talks from Fr Robbie Lowe and exploring the area. A recommended donation of £30 is to help with the accommodation and food costs. For further information contact Saskia; youth@prcdtr.org.uk or follow the link to book:

<https://forms.office.com/e/se4zasSM7B>



Society of African Missions Annual Mission Appeal

18/19 October

Fr Rozario Arputham SMA is visiting our parish as part of their mission appeal as authorised by the Bishops' Conference of England & Wales. I am sure we will all give him a good welcome and will be interested to hear how the SMAs carry out their missionary work on our behalf. Fr Rozario, you are most welcome here in our parish. For more information <https://www.sma-gb.org/>