



St. Anthony's R C Church

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Sunday Masses: Saturday 6.00pm. Sunday 9.30am.

HOLY DAYS Masses at 9.30 am & 7.00pm. Weekday Masses 9.30am. Morning prayer: Mon to Sat 9.15am.

Confessions: after the daily 9.30am Mass (Otherwise on request)

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Items for Newsletter by 12 noon each Wednesday to: ottery@prcdtr.org.uk

Cheques to be made payable to "PRCDTR Ottery St Mary RC Parish".

Direct payments: Sort Code 53-50-55. Ac. No. 05126126. NatWest Bank, Honiton.

Ottery St Mary RC Parish is part of Plymouth Diocese: Registered Charity 213227.

3rd Sun of Christmas, Epiphany

7 January 2024

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Collections

September: £435.00 + £310.44 by direct debit and £41.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission.

October: £760.00 + £310.44 by direct debit, £25.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission, £150 for CAFOD and £15 for Missio.

November: £385.00 + £310.44 by direct debit and £20.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission.

December: £1,215.00 + £310.44 by direct debit, £20.00 for Sierra Leone Mission and £820.00 Christmas collection for Parish Priest Fr Frank.

Thank you.

Confessions

If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), please see Fr Frank after the 9.30am daily Mass.



Pope's January Prayer Intention. Let us pray that the Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church. See also

<https://thepopevideo.org/>

Catholic University Chaplaincies

A new website has been set up to help young people find their Catholic chaplaincy when they arrive at college or university this autumn – catholic@university.org.uk

Music in church, Sunday 9.30am Mass

Entrance: No. 601 We three kings of Orient are. **Offertory:** No. 158 Gifts of bread and wine. **Communion:** No. 355 My God accept my heart this day. **Recessional:** No. 627 You shall cross the barren desert.

Phase 2 project at St Anthony's!

Week 1: Started on *Tuesday 19th April 2022*, and it will take FIJ Building Service Ltd 26 weeks to finish.

Week 92: Builders came back to work on the 4th January. Hope that in the next few weeks of 2024 there will be plenty of progress to report and bring to your attention.

We have a new Bishop!

His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed Canon Christopher Whitehead as the tenth Bishop of the Diocese of Plymouth. On hearing the news of his appointment Bishop-elect Christopher said: "With complete trust in the gentle, guiding hands of the Lord, I take up the appointment that our Holy Father Pope Francis has entrusted to me. This is not something I could have ever imagined and willingly give myself to where the Lord has called me to serve and with all I have to offer." Please offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God and for our Bishop-elect as he prepares for his ordination to the episcopacy. Thanks be to God!

Gratefully received in December

Two donations of £100 each, one of £250 'for St Anthony's Church building fund', and your weekly donations towards the general church expenses. Thank you!

A big thank you!

To the ladies who volunteered to do the church cleaning, the altar linen and the flowers for Christmas.



*Wishing you peace and joy
at this Christmastime and through the New Year.
God bless you,*

Fr Frank Umendia O.A.R. Rev. John Park (Retired Deacon)

Welcome to the Church!

Isla Rebecca Handford, the baby daughter of Jacob and Edel, was baptized last Sunday 31st December at 11.00am. Congratulations! New Year, New Life! Let's be grateful for God's blessings and celebrate his generosity.

Christmas Offerings

The traditional Christmas collection was your personal gift to your priest Fr Frank. Thank you for your very generous donation of £820.00.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25 January. We are praying for unity among the churches, a unity founded upon truth and compassion, for the church to find a common voice, to speak on matters that affect the whole of society.