

# St. Anthony's R C Church

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

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

# 2nd Sunday of Lent

## 25 February 2024

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#### Collections

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.

January: £495.00 + £310.44 by direct debit and £20.00 for Sierra Leone O.A.R. Mission. 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 February Prayer Intention**. For the terminally ill – let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment. See also <u>https://thepopevideo.org/</u>

#### **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 – <u>catholic@university.org.uk</u>

### Music in church, Sunday 9.30am Mass

**Entrance**: No. 36 Amazing grace. **Offertory**: No. 243 In bread we bring you, Lord. **Communion**: No. 533 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want. **Recessional**: No. 627 You shall cross the barren desert.

#### Phase 2 project at St Anthony's!

**Started on** *Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022*, managed by FIJ Building Service Ltd, and was expected to be finished in 26 weeks. After 94 weeks on *Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January* FIJ Building Service Ltd. offered to end their involvement and passed it on to the Parish to carry on the building project and see it come to a happy end.

Week 4 under Parish Management: Builder, electricians, plumbers and carpenter have been working hard this week, and the progress is very encouraging. We are optimistic about reaching our first target: to have the church ready for Easter.

#### Gratefully received in February

- A donation of £250 and one of £100 'for St Anthony's Church building fund'.
- Your weekly donations towards the general church expenses.
- Some primroses plants for the church garden.

Thank you!

### Waiting again for a Bishop for Plymouth Diocese

"The Episcopal Ordination of Canon Christopher Whitehead will not take place on 22nd February 2024 as expected. Canon Paul Cummins continues as the Diocesan Administrator. A canonical process is currently underway, and no further comments will be made until this process has been concluded. Canon Christopher Whitehead has stepped back from active ministry whilst this process is ongoing".

### Lent Retreat Day – A Campaign of Christian Service

Saturday 2 March at St Rita's Centre, Honiton, led by Fr. Jacek Kostuch. The charge for the day, including lunch (3 course meal), is just £25.00. Booking can be made by phone, email or online (www.stritascentre.org/events) Payment can be made on the day. If you have any questions, please contact Krista Radzina on 01404 42635.

## World Day of Prayer

This women-led, global, ecumenical movement holds its annual service on the first Friday of March each year. The country that prepares the theme and service is chosen years in advance and material prepared in good time so that it can be translated and shared around the world. This year the Christian women of Palestine wrote the material and the theme is 'I beg you, bear with one another in love.' On Friday 1 March there will be a service for the O.S.M area at 2.00pm at the Ottery St Mary Methodist Church, followed by refreshments. A timely opportunity to learn from the women of Palestine and to continue to pray for the whole region.

### Very sorry to see them go!

The Methodist Chapel in Mill Street are going to close. Their last Service is this Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2024 at 10.30am. We pray that they will continue active in their love and worship of the Lord wherever they go. The building will hold the World Day of Prayer on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.