



Parish of The Holy Spirit, Bovey Tracey & Saint Cyprian, Ugbrooke

W E L C O M E

Part of the R.C. Diocese of Plymouth. Charity Number 213227



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The Holy Spirit Church

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Accessibility: - Please ask the Welcome Group if disabled access is required.

- The Holy Spirit, Bovey Tracey is fully accessible via a ramp at the side of the church and disabled toilet in the hall.

- Our Church has a loop system.

SUNDAY 25th JANUARY 2026

THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Year A

Sunday	25 JANUARY	9.00am	Bovey Tracey (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
		9.00am	Mass, Ugbrooke
Monday	26 JANUARY	NO MASS	
Tuesday	27 JANUARY	10.00am	<i>Edward, Evelyn and Anthony Powell-Price (RIP)</i>
Wednesday	28 JANUARY	NO MASS	
Thursday	29 JANUARY	NO MASS	
Friday	30 JANUARY	NO MASS	
Saturday	31 JANUARY	NO MASS	
Sunday	01 FEBRUARY	9.00am	Mass, Bovey Tracey
		9.00am	Mass, Ugbrooke (<i>People of the Parish</i>)

TEA, COFFEE AND CAKE IN THE PARISH HALL AFTER MASS
on the **FIRST** Sunday of every month. Do come along, we need your company.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS OUR SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Penelope

Crawford, Ronald Asbury, Nick Martin, Samuel Horton, Pamela Lekis, Elizabeth Newton, Chelsea Fowler, Peter Dowse, Adriene O'Mara, Jean Humphrey, Jill Huish, Claire Bovill, Marian Chmiel, Nancy Macpherson, Christine & John Horton, Sam Griffiths, Reg Gregory, Fr Pat Costello, Maureen Biggins and please remember in our prayers all the priests in our diocese who are ill. At this time, we remember both those who are suffering with the coronavirus and those looking after them.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK: **25th January: Conversion of St Paul**, Saul was an ardent Pharisee and very well educated in the Jewish Law. As such he was a forceful persecutor of the early Church. However, he underwent a dramatic conversion, seeing a vision of Christ and thereafter became an equally passionate preacher of Christianity. He made many journeys within the Roman world to preach the Christian message and wrote letters to the churches he founded which have survived. Known as the Apostle to the Gentiles, because he did more than any other to spread the word of Christ from Judaea to Spain.

31st January – St John Bosco (1815-88) Born in North Western Italy, John Bosco spent most of his life in or around Turin. From an early age he received visions which focused mainly on the necessity of ministering to the young. In 1859 he founded a society named after St Francis of Sales dedicated to this end. The Salesians grew to be an international order. John Bosco's remarkable influence over the boys he cared for owed more to gentle positive encouragement than to discipline based on punishment. He also actively promoted industrial schools and night classes to develop their potential in a religious background.

*****NEW*** NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK February 7th -14th** : There are resources for prayer, a novena for marriage, and reflections from the Bishops Conference on this link <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/marriage-week/> Please have a look at these and pray for the vocation for marriage, God's gift to us all, in your homes and Churches.

NEW **GATHER CONFERENCE 2026:** We look forward to welcoming you to our annual GATHER conference 20th-22nd March at Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay. This year's theme is 'I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live' and our speakers include Avril Baigent (School for Synodality) and Fleur Dorrell (The God who Speaks). Pauline Books will be bringing a selection of their excellent range for people to peruse and buy, and you can expect a warm welcome and a wonderful weekend of faith, formation and friendship. We are delighted that we will also be joined by Bishop Nicholas as we journey together synodally - we'd love you to join us too! Booking forms are available at the back of church, from the parish office or by emailing plymouthgather@yahoo.com

ONLINE COURSE - THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY: THE THEOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY OF ST JOHN PAUL II: 20 & 27 Jan - 3 & 10 Feb 2026 The Buckfast Institute are offering a four-part online course for £60pp. Each session starts at 19:00 and ends at 20:30 hrs. More information can be found on the Buckfast Abbey website <https://www.buckfast.org.uk/events/theology-of-the-body/>

TOWARDS A SYNODAL CHURCH – CONVERSATIONS IN THE SPIRIT: Saturday 21st February, Blessed Sacrament, Exeter, 9.30-3.30. How do we listen to each other well? How do we step back from our own agendas to be attentive to where the Spirit is moving? How can we make better decisions about organising ourselves as Christian communities? How do we enrich our parish communal life with enriching conversations? The Synod process has emphasised the importance of listening and good conversations in our community life. However, these are not always so easy in practice! Blessed Sacrament Exeter are hosting a one day face-to-face facilitator training workshop with Fr Matthew Nunes, Director of the School for Synodality. This Conversations in the Spirit workshop will run on Saturday 21st February and will introduce the principles of holding prayerful, truthful and safe conversations which value gracious listening and courageous speaking. It is suitable for all levels of experience, including people who have not been involved in the Synod process so far. All parishioners from across the diocese are very welcome to attend - please email exeter-heavitree@prcdtr.org.uk to let us know you're coming. We're asking for a contribution of just £10 per person to cover costs - pay on the day. Please bring a packed lunch! 9:30am tea and coffee for a 10am start, 3:30pm finish, Saturday 21st February, Richard Reynolds Centre, Blessed Sacrament Church, 29 Fore Street, Heavitree, EX1 2QJ

NEW **PLYMOUTH DIOCESAN IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP RESIDENTIAL RETREATS:** There are fliers at the back of church with details of Ignatian silent and individually guided retreats available locally in the Plymouth Diocese for Lent and Summer 2026, for those who would like to step back from everyday life for a little while to review their journey in faith and make a little extra space and time for God. The dates in February are at St Rita's Centre Honiton, East Devon, and those in June are at Scleuder Abbey Retreat House, (Chemin Neuf) Cornwall. For further details and bookings contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637.

Supporting Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) at Tesco: From the middle of January until the end of March, customers who use the following four Tesco stores can use their blue tokens given to them at the checkout each time they shop, to vote for the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) - Newton Abbot Tesco Superstore, Kingsteignton Tesco Express, Bovey Tracey Tesco Express, Teignmouth Tesco Express. The winning group receive £1,500, with £1,000 and £500 being awarded to second and third place so every vote counts!

UPDATE - support for Ukraine/Moldova: Mary Roberts has asked me to say that the truck is still managing to make the journey despite the lengthy paperwork etc. In addition to non-perishable items, they desperately need t-shirts and underwear for the returning soldiers. Please help if you can; the donation box is, as ever, in the porch of the church. *Thank you, Veronica Sharam*

Caritas January Newsletter: To read news of love in action around our diocese and upcoming events and dates, please click: <https://tinyurl.com/583wpdn7>

FOR AN APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH FR ANTHONY OR FR GEORGE
please contact St Joseph's Parish Office 01626 365231 or email newtonabbot@prcdtr.org.uk

COLLECTIONS: for December – Loose: £537.77, Standing Orders: £918.50 ***Thank you to all who contribute so generously.***

SAFEGUARDING: Our parish Safeguarding Representative is Marian Lancaster: if you have any enquiries or concerns about Safeguarding, please contact Marian in confidence on 07761 058653. The Diocese of Plymouth's Safeguarding Team is available on 01364 645430 or by email on safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk

SAFE SPACES: The Safe Spaces team is there for those who have experienced church-related abuse of any kind through its helpline and live chat service between **Mon-Fri 9am-9pm, Saturday 9am-1pm & Sunday 1pm-5pm.**

Tel: 0300 303 1056, Email: safespaces@firstlight.org.uk, LiveChat: www.SafeSpacesEnglandandWales.org.uk , Website: www.SafeSpacesEnglandandWales.org.uk

