

Catholic Church of St Anthony of Padua, West Moors

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26th July 2026 – Seventeenth Sunday of the Year

St. Anthony's – Jubilee - 50th year Celebration

Committee meetings are now being organised. If you would still like to be involved, please contact the Parish office. We look forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of our Parish in December, with Bishop Nicholas Hudson kindly agreeing to celebrate the 11.00 am Mass on 6th December

Iris Sheppard RIP

We were sorry to learn of the death of Iris Sheppard. Her Requiem Mass is this Friday, 31st July, at 2pm. May her Soul, and the Souls of all the Faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

Marjorie Isaacs RIP

We were sorry to learn of the death of Marjorie Isaacs on Friday 24th July Her Funeral arrangements be notified as soon as they are known. Eternal Rest grant unto her Lord. May She rest in Peace.

CAFOD

CAFOD is part of the Disasters Emergency Committee and is supporting CARITAS Venezuela to help the people of Northern Venezuela following the devastating earthquakes. Please can you help by donating online to CAFOD "donate to emergencies"

CAFOD is also asking us to help renew the call to tackle the Global Debt Crisis. Please spare a minute as you leave Church to sign the petition. Thank you.

Contact your MP to oppose assisted suicide

A Private Members' Bill on assisted suicide has been reintroduced to the House of Commons. The *Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill* will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September

2026. Bishop Nicholas Hudson urges people to write to their Member of Parliament. "The dignity and protection of human life is central to our Faith. I urge Catholics and all people of goodwill to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose this legislation. Even if you've written to your MP before, please write again now."

Becoming a Catholic – two roads

If you are **not Baptised** and would like to become a Catholic, **then RCIA is for you**. This is a journey which enables you to spend time with the big questions you have, to encounter Christ on the road, and then enter into His Church, usually, at the Easter Vigil.

However, if you are **already Baptised** and are considering entering into full communion with the Church, then the Church asks her priests to facilitate a more **bespoke journey** whereby we spend as much time

as you need to explore the Catholic Faith and work through whatever barriers you may have. It is primarily

a spiritual journey, and **lasts as long as it needs to**, ending in your Reception and Confirmation **when you are ready**. If that's you, then please email Father Darline at: darline.joseph@prcdtr.org.uk

National Eucharistic Congress.

Our third National Eucharistic Congress will take place in London on Sat 10th Oct. Mass at St George's cathedral and procession across the Thames to Westminster Cathedral, followed by a vigil of adoration until 6am. We are planning a day-return coach.. There may be some places left. Contact - Fr Chris at Poole : (01202) 746539

Are you able to play the piano, keyboard, or organ?

St Anthony's is seeking musicians who can accompany our choir—either occasionally or on a more regular basis—on piano, keyboard, or organ. We have been without an organist for some time and would be delighted to welcome anyone with the skill and passion to play. If you are interested, please speak to Teresa or a member of the choir to learn more.

Marriage Support

From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more, contact: 0797 338 0443

www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Prayer Intentions – Please pray for those members of our Parish community who are sick, in hospital or housebound: Canon Patrick Chrystal, Jim Danson, David Welch, Philip Coward, Alan Gilbey, Richard Gilbey, Noreen Hewitt, Nora Kenney, Michael Peters, Ramon Suñer, Krzysztof Zablocki, Ian Brown and Pat O'Rearden

Those whose Anniversaries or birthdays occur around this time, and those who have died recently. Nota bene: let us know the names of anyone we should pray for. Please ensure we have their permission to make their names public.

Thank you for your prayers & for the work of the Church.

Mass Times & Confessions & Rotas

Saturday	25 th July	6.30 pm	Vigil of The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Mass	Int: Holy Souls
Sunday	26 th July	8.30 am 11.00 am	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Mass Holy Mass	Int: Maria Vani RIP Int: People of the Parish
<i>Monday 27th July to Thursday 30th July- No Holy Mass</i>				
Friday	31 st July	2.00 pm	Requiem Mass – Iris Sheppard	
Saturday	1 st August	6.30 pm	Vigil of The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Mass	Int: People of the Parish
Sunday	2 nd August	8.30 am 11.00 am	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Mass Holy Mass	Int: Owen Greenock RIP Int: Jackie Fordham RIP

Mass Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A Volume 2, Page 108

CONFESSIONS		SATURDAY			Before Vigil Mass	
	Sat 25 th July 6.30 pm	Sun 26 th July 8.30 am	Sun 26 th July 11.00 am	Sat 1 st August 6.30 pm	Sun 2 nd August 8.30 am	Sun 2 nd August 11.00 am
Readers	Emma B TBC	Mia K	Alex W Martin L	Maeve O'D Patricia S	Paul W	Stephanie M Mary C
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat H Fiona M	Ann E	Chris M Anne M	Ian W TBC	Mia K	John S TBC

Pope Leo XIV: prayer intentions for July and August

July: Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

August: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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