

Catholic Church of St Anthony of Padua, West Moors

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30th August 2026 – Twenty Second Sunday of the Year

Marjorie Isaacs RIP

Brian & family would like to express their sincere thanks to all those who assisted with & attended Marjorie's funeral - it was a beautiful service and a fitting tribute to Marjorie. Our thanks also to those that assisted with the Wake. The hard work & kindness shown by so many people was very much appreciated.

Catholic Children's Society Annual Appeal

Grateful Hearts - Serving Others.

Putting All Children First: - please give generously today towards the work of the Catholic Children's Society and keep them and their beneficiaries in your prayers. Your love, kindness and generosity will make a difference to many children and their families. Thank you so much and please remember to Gift Aid your donation if you can !

Tea and Natter Afternoon

The SVP will be holding a Tea and Natter afternoon on *Thursday 10th September* between 2.00pm and 4.00pm in the Parish Hall. The event is open to all parishioners and friends and any others who might like to come – all are most welcome. Tea, Coffee, biscuit and cake will be available and there is no charge. If transport is needed, please contact any SVP member.

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. Please take a card from the back of the Church, enter the name of your MP and post it. 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

St. Anthony's Jubilee

Photographs and Memories

In preparation for the celebration in December, we will be holding an open afternoon in September, at which you can bring along your memories, photographs and anything else relevant to the history of the church. You may even have spoken to parishioners who were here before the current church was built. Don't wait until September but start writing your memories and searching out your photographs now ! *History & Heritage Group*.

Altar Servers Required

We are looking for Altar Servers for our 50th Jubilee celebration Holy Mass. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Nicholas. We are especially looking for Altar Servers who served in our Parish previously, and those who currently serve. Training will be given if needed and there will be rehearsals prior. Any new servers are also most welcome. *Please contact Deacon Jim.*

Mission Made Possible Roadshow – Save the Date.

Saturday 26 September 10 am to 2.15 pm (Diocesan Evangelisation Team event). All welcome! More details to follow but save the date if you would like to hear more about mission and outreach in the diocese... and get

involved. This event will be held at St Benedict's in Gillingham.

Care for Creation – A Special Year

The Year of St Francis 2026 marks the 800th anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's death in 1226. Pope Leo XIV declared that it will be a special Year of St Francis in which we are all called to become saints in our world, following St Francis' example. The Season of Creation is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home, starting each year on 1 September and finishing on the feast of St Francis, 4 October.

HCPT - Group 9 - Lourdes Easter Pilgrimage for children

We would like to thank you for your generous support in the past. Please say a prayer for all of us. We will again offer to take your prayers with us next Easter. There will be a fundraising ***Garden Party on Saturday 5th September, 12:30 to 4:00.*** Live music, fantastic food,

good company and it goes to a good cause. Please see the poster. This year the theme is 'Ascot Hats', so Dress to Impress! Tickets are £30 per person, but feel free to give more! Please talk to John Maguire

jme.ict@gmail.com

Prayer Conference. Buckfast Abbey-Sat Oct 31 & Nov 1

UNBOUND Freedom in Christ. A weekend immersion in the inspirational teaching of UNBOUND Deliverance Ministry. A safe, gentle and non-confrontational freedom and inner healing ministry model which helps people reclaim their true identity in Christ. Come and join us as we unpack each of the key themes of the ministry; Repentance & Faith, Forgiveness, Renunciation, Authority, and the Father's Blessing. With an opportunity for a personal prayer session and the chance to claim true freedom in Christ. Weekend tickets from £65. To book, call or email Michele Thompson, Officer for Evangelisation for more information 07940 453607 michele.thompson@prcdtr.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, 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	29 th August	6.30 pm	Vigil of The Twenty Second Sunday of the Year Holy Mass	Int: People of the Parish
Sunday	30 th August	8.30 am 11.00 am	The Twenty Second Sunday of the Year Holy Mass Holy Mass	Int: Lesley McQuirk RIP Int: Valerie Coggins RIP
<i>Monday 31st August - No Holy Mass</i>				
Tuesday	1 st Sept	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Int:
<i>Wednesday 2nd Sept, Thursday 3rd Sept and Friday 4th Sept - No Holy Mass</i>				
Saturday	5 th Sept	6.30 pm	Vigil of The Twenty Third Sunday of the Year Holy Mass	Int: Regina Byrne RIP
Sunday	6 th Sept	8.30 am 11.00 am	The Twenty Third Sunday of the Year Holy Mass Holy Mass	Int: Mary Lee RIP Int: People of the Parish

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CONFESSIONS		SATURDAY			Before Vigil Mass	
	Sat 29 th August 6.30 pm	Sun 30 th August 8.30 am	Sun 30 th August 11.00 am	Sat 5 th Sept. 6.30 pm	Sun 6 th Sept. 8.30 am	Sun 6 th Sept. 11.00 am
Readers	Emma B Maeve O'D	Paul W	Elaine S Joanna R	Pat S Marianne J	Mia K	John W Teresa S
Eucharistic Ministers	Jan J John J	Mia K	Dave M Chris M	Ian W Maeve O'D	Tony H	John S Anne M

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