



Parish of St. Mary & St. George, Totnes

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Remembrance Day and World Day of the Poor

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Mass & Other Services this Week			<a href="http://www.totnesrcparish.org.uk/mass-times/">www.totnesrcparish.org.uk/mass-times/</a> click on 'Facebook Live Stream'
**Live Streamed Masses**			
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup> November	6:30pm	Patrick Nuttgens (Int)
Sunday	14 <sup>th</sup> November	10:30am **	People of the Parish
Tuesday	16 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am	Priest's Intentions
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup> November	10:00am	Joseph & Marjorie Rutter (RIP)
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00am	
<b>Confession: Saturdays 5:45pm – 6:16pm or by appointment.</b>			

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

**Prayers for the Sick** Please hold in your prayers: *Segundo Vacas Sr, Heather Wagstaff, Christa Hawkins, Jill Gilboy, Robert Y. Amil, Robert M. Amil*

Let us also pray for: *Bishop Christopher Budd and Fr Kieran Kirby.*

World Day of the Poor 2021

Sunday 14 November 2021 is the fifth World Day of the Poor, initiated by Pope Francis in 2017. The theme for this year's World Day of the Poor is "for the poor you have always with you" from the words of Jesus at the Anointing in Bethany just before his Passion. We are called to follow the example of Jesus in loving God and neighbour, especially the most vulnerable. Pope Francis reminds us, "If we truly wish to encounter Christ, we have to touch his body in the suffering bodies of the poor."

More resource: Pope's message and a reflection from Bishop Mark on our website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/worlddayreport/>. There is also a lovely Novena created by Caritas Social Action Network <https://www.csan.org.uk/worlddayofthepoor/> which will be shared each day from 5 November on our Diocesan Facebook page.



**JULIA BEACROFT** from the Vicariate for Evangelisation & Catechesis will be at our **Mass on 14<sup>th</sup> November** and will be speaking about MISSION MADE POSSIBLE - a preparatory course in intentional discipleship and evangelisation. If you would like to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ and bring others into that relationship too, then this course is for you! All you need is a Tablet, iPad, laptop or PC and just able to open a 'Zoom' link to participate. Very small groups – only 6 people. Course duration 7 weeks. 1 Zoom session per week.

Please contact Julia on [julia.beacroft@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:julia.beacroft@prcdtr.org.uk) if you would like to undertake this transformative course. The Lord is waiting for YOU!

**RED BOXES** If your Red Box has not been emptied for a while **Maureen Worthy will be collecting the boxes this weekend, 13th/14th November.** The total collected so far this year is £378.64. With many thanks for your continued support.

**New My Day By Day booklets – Advent** are now available at the back of church.

**New Date for your diaries: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 3pm Carol Service and Nativity Play**

Everyone is invited to come to the carol service and nativity play- which visiting children will be welcome to join. Singing practices have started, to which all are welcome.

We are also looking for:

- people to help sew some simple costumes
- volunteers to run refreshments afterwards
- some people to bring small cakes for a really special advent occasion.
- and of course a congregation!

So, everyone has a niche. Please put it in your diaries.

A collection will be taken for the Karibu Nyumbani orphanage in Tanzania.

Contact -Gemma and Saskia at church or [splitnotes@hotmail.com](mailto:splitnotes@hotmail.com)

**New MODERN SLAVERY IN FISHING**

To mark World Fisheries Day parishioners are being invited to join Stella Maris to take a look at the darker side of the maritime world: slavery aboard fishing vessels and what is being done about it.

Stella Maris is hosting a Zoom webinar on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 7.30pm to 9.00pm. To register go to [www.StellaMaris.org.uk/ModernSlavery](http://www.StellaMaris.org.uk/ModernSlavery).

**Holy Souls**

November is the month when we especially remember and pray for our loved ones, our family and friends who have died. From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November we will have an urn placed in front of the altar in which parishioners are invited to place the names of their loved ones. We will remember them in our Masses throughout the month of November, and also celebrate a special Mass for them On **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 10am.** Forms will be placed for this purpose at the back of the church.

**Singing and Music Rehearsals** for both liturgical Mass music and the advent service (19th December 3pm):

**Saturdays at 2pm 13 Nov, 27 Nov, 4 Dec, 18Dec.** If you can't manage these and would still like to learn the music please let me know and we will sort something out. Enthusiasm is the only prerequisite.

If you would like to hear the Sanctus (576 in the book) we are learning for advent it can be found at [Franz Schubert - Deutsche Messe - Zum Sanctus - Heilig, heilig - YouTube](#) (though we will be singing in English without a full orchestra!). Gemma and Madeleine at: [splitnotes@hotmail.com](mailto:splitnotes@hotmail.com) 07766 222920

**Journey to 2030**

How can individuals, schools and parishes respond to Pope Francis' call to put 'Laudato Si', into action? How can we help our communities thrive, at the same time as tackling huge world issues on the Journey to 2030? **There is a new website <https://journeyto2030.org/> which offers parishes guidance on 'Laudato Si'** and an our online encyclopaedia for individuals and parishes trying to respond to the Pope's teaching on care for our common home, pulling together inspiring stories and practical actions, wisdom and goals in one place. There are also lots of resources on our Diocesan website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/environment/> If you would like any more information on environmental issues, please contact [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk)

**Rosary and Exposition - Tuesdays**

The Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for one hour after Mass. All are welcome to call in at any time during the hour.

**Music Reflections - Wednesday 10-10.30am, (Zoom)**

In our Music Reflections, we meet to contemplate the themes for the coming Sunday. Please contact Gemma [splitnotes@hotmail.com](mailto:splitnotes@hotmail.com) or Isabelle [isabellecosgrave@hotmail.com](mailto:isabellecosgrave@hotmail.com) for the Zoom invite.

## **Seeds of Faith Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm**

We will meet in the church hall. All are welcome, if you would like more information, please contact Margaret Cushen [cushen@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:cushen@tiscali.co.uk)

## **Friday 6pm Prayer Group (Zoom)**

At the end of each week we gather with prayer and music, praying together for our needs and giving thanks for our blessings. Please contact Gemma on [splitnotes@hotmail.com](mailto:splitnotes@hotmail.com) for the Zoom invite.



## ***DIOCESAN NEWS***

### **Synodal Journey – ‘Walking Together’**

**Everyone is invited to a Diocese of Plymouth online event on 16 November at 7pm.**

Austen Ivereigh will explore the topic:

"Behind the global synod; why Pope Francis wants you to speak boldly and listen carefully."

Austen Ivereigh is a writer, journalist and commentator best known for his books on and with Pope Francis, and for his role in the media explaining the convictions of the Catholic Church. He is a fellow in Contemporary Church History at Campion Hall, Oxford and a regular contributor to The Tablet.

Please register if you would like to join us for what will be a really interesting discussion, with an opportunity for Questions and Answers. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/behind-the-global-synod-a-talk-by-austen-ivereigh-tickets-196421952347>

**New Society for the Protection of Unborn Children Christmas Coffee Morning** at 10.30am – 12.15pm on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December at Plymouth Cathedral Centre. Prize Raffle, Assorted Homemade Baking: Christmas, Dundee & Log cakes, Jams, Chutney, Marmalade and Savouries. Also, a piety, jewellery and bric-a-brac stall. £1 Entry to include tea, coffee & mince pie.

### **New FIVE BIBLE STUDIES ON THE ADVENT SUNDAY GOSPELS**

Mauro Iannicelli will break-open the forthcoming Advent Sunday Gospels with in-depth teaching and stimulating questions. As a result, you will experience Sunday Mass in a new way!

Five Wednesdays: 24 Nov | 1 Dec | 8 Dec | 15 Dec | 22 Dec (7-8pm UK Time). Free of Charge | LIVE sessions on YouTube. Info & Registration: <https://comeandsee.org/advent>

### **Counselling Helpline in Plymouth Diocese**

**This is not a Coronavirus helpline – for any questions regarding COVID-19 please go to NHS 111.**

However, you may find the counselling helpline useful in other circumstances. It can be used for yourself, by family residing at the same address and for clergy. It is provided through our Catholic Insurance Service; it is the Cigna Scheme for the Dioceses of England. The Scheme number is 70258. Phone: 0330 0580960, press option 5 for the Counselling Service. It is completely confidential.

**Diocesan Safeguarding Office: The Diocese of Plymouth Safeguarding Team is available on 01364 645 430 or by email on [safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk)**

**Safe Spaces** is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused by someone in the Church or as a result of their relationship with the Church of England, the Catholic Church of England and Wales or the Church in Wales.

Website: [www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk/](http://www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk/)

Email: [safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk](mailto:safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk)

Phone No: 0300 303 1056

### [“Assisted Suicide” – Message from Bishop Mark](#)

The proposed new legislation going before the House of Lords is a matter of grave concern to us all. I do encourage us all and all parishioners to write to Members of the House of Lords to indicate our own experience and the importance of opposing the proposed new legislation, as well as speaking up for those most vulnerable in our society. Further information on how to do this and other resources can be found at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill-2021/> The last twenty months of living with the Pandemic have taught us all, yet more deeply, of how very precious all human life is. In the face of this proposed legislation, we must uphold the dignity of human life at its most vulnerable, particularly in the elderly or chronically ill. I know that we will all do what we can to encourage this pro-active response and especially over this next six weeks leading up to the debate in the House of Lords. *Bishop Mark*

## **UNIVERSAL CHURCH**

### [The Pope’s Universal Intention – November 2021](#)

People Who Suffer from Depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

### [Pope Francis @Pontifex 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021](#)



The world needs Christians who know how to demonstrate the beauty of the Gospel by the way they live; who are weavers of dialogue, models of fraternal life; who bring the sweet fragrance of hospitality and solidarity, who protect and safeguard life.

### [www.twainoneflesh.org.uk](http://www.twainoneflesh.org.uk)

#### **We do not know the hour or the day**

The world will not last forever, and marriage too will end when one spouse dies. This week, we married people are reminded to reflect on the treasures of love in our life: romance, warmth, tenderness, joyful celebrations, intimate moments and the fruitfulness of our love. Let’s celebrate each other, reconcile past hurts and continually praise God for His blessings.