

St Mary & St George, Totnes
Parish of the Sacred Heart, Kingsbridge
Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Salcombe

NewsLetter



Plymouth Diocese



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Safeguarding (Totnes)

Children and Vulnerable Adults
Parish Safeguarding Rep:
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Accessibility (Totnes)

- Disabled access
 - Disabled toilet
 - Loop system
- Parking (Totnes)**
We have a car park at the back of the church.

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TWENTY FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME A1 PSALTER 4 17TH SEPTEMBER

ST MARY & ST GEORGE				MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY 17TH SEPT	MASS 	TOTNES	9.30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
TUESDAY 19TH SEPT	MASS	TOTNES	10.00AM	
THURSDAY 21ST SEPT	MASS	TOTNES	10.00AM	

SACRED HEART				MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY 17TH SEPT	MASS	KINGSBRIDGE	11.30AM	
FRIDAY 22ND SEPT	MASS	KINGSBRIDGE	10.15AM	

OUR LADY, STAR OF THE SEA				MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY 16TH SEPT	MASS	SALCOMBE	5.00PM	

**THURSDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER—FEAST
ST MATTHEW—APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST
FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER—FEAST
DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL**

Seeds of Faith (TOTNES)

All welcome. If you would like more information please contact
Margaret Cushen cushen@tiscali.co.uk

COFFEE AFTER MASS

Every Sundays & Thursday (TOTNES)
Every Sunday (KINGSBRIDGE)

TOTNES ADORATION—TUESDAYS AFTER MASS

Benediction, Rosary and Adoration for one hour. You are welcome to
call in anytime during the hour

KINGSBRIDGE ADORATION—ADORATION (THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)

On the third Sunday of each month (pastoral duties permitting) there
will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament immediately following the
11.30am Mass

CONFESSION

Please contact the Parish Secretary or speak to the Priest before Mass

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Prayers for the Sick Please Hold In Your Prayers: Segundo Vacas Sr, Christa
Hawkins, Jill Gilboy, Robert M. Amil, Gary Dowland, Rita Zollo, David Hawking,
Heather Wagstaff, Sarah Sparrow, Dennis Owen



ST MARY AND ST GEORGE

****NEW** SHORT TALK AFTER MASS REGARDING THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF OUR PARISH**

Maurice Magee will be giving a short appeal/talk about our parish's financial position. This will follow after the 9.30 Mass this Sunday and next Sunday. Please do stay to hear this important information. Thank you.

****NEW** CLOTHING**

There are a number of items of clothing on the hooks by the kitchen door that have been there for many months. If they are not claimed by the middle of October they will be taken to a local charity shop.

FOOD BANK

A copy of much needed food items is available at the back of the church in the Narthex. Please be as generous as you can. We appreciate your support.

CARDS FOR SALE

We now have cards for sale in the Narthex. Please take a look as we have a lovely selection. All cards are £1. Please put money in the 'Books and Papers' box.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART & OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

****NEW** UPDATE FROM KINGSBRIDGE FOOD BANK**

Unfortunately, the cost-of-living crisis has hit most people and the South Hams has been far from immune. Over the past few months, the number of people that the Food Bank has helped has continued to grow and resources are being stretched. It is unlikely to get any easier, so The Food Bank wanted to let you know what it is doing and how you could perhaps help. Currently they are helping to feed over 400 people a week. Over 40% are children. 20% have special dietary requirements. They monitor client numbers on a weekly basis and can clearly see that they are increasing; in the past few weeks by approximately 3%. The Trustees and Committee members responsible for the day-to-day running of the Food Bank are grateful for every donation of food received. Equally, each individual injection of cash - whether donated or fundraised - is used directly to support clients. Not one of the 80+ volunteers, committee, or trustees, receive any pay. Recently they have run food drives at both Morrisons and Tesco, who have kindly allowed space in their stores to enable people to learn about the Food Bank and act as a food collection point. Both stores also pre-pack bags of suitable food for shoppers to add to their shopping and then leave in the store for collection. Although this doesn't strictly fall under their remit, the Food Bank have recently found themselves helping families who have had to move to new accommodation, with little or no furniture and sometimes into properties, that aren't even carpeted. If you have good quality furniture, white goods under 5 years old or off-cuts of new carpets, please call the Food Bank who will arrange collection. Funds have been massively boosted by all, who have generously signed up to the gift aid scheme, which enables tax to be rebated. Further help is still much needed.

John O'Connell

On behalf of The Kingsbridge Food Bank

17th September
Evangelii Gaudium
Sunday

8th October
CAFOD Harvest
Fast Day

22nd October
World Mission
Sunday

****NEW** BIBBY STOCKHOLM 'FLAGSHIP BARGE'.**

Nearly 50,000 people across the nation have now signed a petition to the government calling for the scrapping of this Bibby Stockholm project in terms that echo concerns expressed by the asylum seekers themselves.

The petition (<https://www.change.org/p/rethink-the-bibby-stockholm-berge-ensure-safe-humane-conditions-for-asylum-seekers-in-uk>) protests the scandalous carelessness, intolerable inhumanity and radically flawed white-elephant strategy of the barge, citing official reports that highlight health, fire and mental health risks embedded in the project. Signatories are protesting the claustrophobic lay out of the barge, lack of access to freedom to walk in and around accommodation, the planned overpacking of 500+ men fleeing persecution for sanctuary into small spaces, lined up along narrow, windowless corridors, with locked windows that barely open.

This barge fiasco will forever be haunted by official reports of the government's cavalier neglect of unacceptable risks to crucial levels of well-being – right from the moment the first men were made to set foot inside. Potential viral outbreaks, fire and air pollution risks, mental health crises and inevitable institutionalized despair will come round to hound the government again and again for its failed backlog of legitimate asylum application processing, its savage cuts to legal aid and its manipulations of hostilities and racisms in the face of an asylum crisis it has itself fostered.

Diocesan News

****NEW** EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

Evangelii Gaudium – Preparing for the Jubilee Year in Faith and Prayer

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday calls us to be joyous in proclaiming our faith. “Evangelii Gaudium” is Latin for “Joy of the Gospel”. The day supports the work carried out by the Mission Directorate on behalf of the Bishops’ Conference.

A key focus of work for the next few years is responding to Pope Francis’ calling of a Jubilee Year in 2025 with the theme *Pilgrims of Hope*. The Holy Father has invited the whole Church to prepare for the Jubilee in the two years prior through: Reflecting on the four Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council in 2023.

Deepening our prayer life, with a special focus on the Lord’s Prayer, in 2024.

To support the Church in England and Wales in this important initiative the Mission Directorate has produced a series of videos on the four Constitutions which reflect on the Liturgy, the Word of God, the Church and on its role in the modern world. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday>

A range of resources are being prepared for the Year of Prayer in 2024 which include a course on the Lord’s Prayer from small groups for Lent, encouragement to try different ways of praying from the tradition of the Church. The Mission Directorate will be supporting the Jubilee co-ordinator appointed by each diocese.

Please support the Mission Directorate through prayer and giving to the second collection. However much you give, big or small, it will go directly to support this important work to bring the joy of the Gospel to all.

The second collection of Evangelii Gaudium Sunday supports the work carried out by the Mission Directorate on behalf of the Bishops’ Conference. In the last year this has included:

Enabling the recording of the videos on the four constitutions.

Bringing together a working group from across England and Wales to prepare materials for the Jubilee Year 2025 and Year of Prayer 2024. Supporting Patrimony experts to deliver funding to 39 projects at outstanding Grade I and II* Catholic churches with the £6.6million awarded to the Catholic Bishops’ Conference via Historic England through the governments’ Culture Recovery Fund in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Supporting co-ordinators and their teams in dioceses through formation and sharing of best practice.

SOCIAL JUSTICE RESIDENTIAL, 20TH - 22ND OCTOBER 2023, ST RITA'S HONITON

This residential is aimed at those preparing or have received confirmation (12-17). It is a chance to explore the Bishops Conference paper on Love the Stranger, thinking about those living in loneliness and what God asks us to do. The weekend will be jointly run with the Columbans. Some people with refugee and asylum status will be invited to talk about their experiences. For further information contact Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk Contact: 01364 645401

****NEW** WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES – 23 SEPTEMBER 2023**

We are all invited to reflect on the challenges facing migrants and refugees and how we as Christians are called to respond. You can find a link to Pope Francis’ Message and an inspiring story of our parish’s answer to the call to Welcome the Stranger on the diocesan website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/csstory/>

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MARRIAGE MATTERS

14/09/23 Exaltation of the Holy Cross (A)
God acts in our lives and our relationships
Numbers 21:4-9 Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

The God of the Jews, and our God, is different from every other God – He has shown he is a God who ACTS. His greatest ACT of love, His death on the cross, He ACTS to make present in the Eucharist. God acts, and so can you! Act today by using words of affirmation, listening, serving, giving gifts that will be appreciated.



PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS, SEPTEMBER 2023

For people living on the margins....

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

POPE FRANCIS @PONTIFEX

Let us [#PrayTogether](#) for those who lost their lives in an inundation in [#Libya](#), for their families and for the displaced. May we not fail to show our solidarity with these brothers and sisters, as well as with the people of Morocco who are suffering from an earthquake.

COUNSELLING HELPLINE IN PLYMOUTH DIOCESE

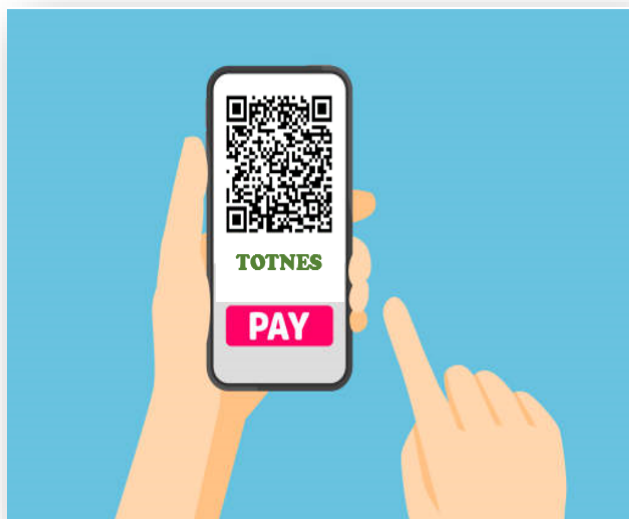
This is not a Coronavirus helpline – for any questions regarding COVID-19 please go to NHS 111. However, you may find the counselling helpline useful in other circumstances. It can be used for yourself, by family residing at the same address and for clergy. It is provided through our Catholic Insurance 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.

NEW CARITAS SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

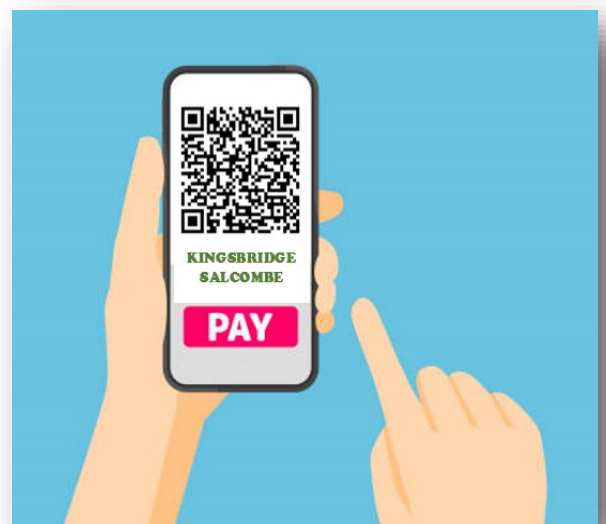
Caritas Diocese of Plymouth's September newsletter is now available to read online, full of uplifting news of Love in Action in our parishes and upcoming events. Please click the link here: <https://tinyurl.com/ycktkp79>
If you would like a printed copy, please telephone Caritas on 01364 645360 .

OFFERINGS VIA QR CODES

TOTNES



KINGSBRIDGE SALCOMBE



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