

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

NewsLetter



Plymouth Diocese

Happy 1st week of Advent!



FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT A PSALTER 1

30th NOVEMBER 2025

MASS
INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 29TH NOV	MASS	SALCOMBE	5PM	
SUNDAY 30TH NOV	MASS MASS	TOTNES KINGS- BRIDGE	9.30AM 11.30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
TUESDAY 2ND DEC	MASS followed by Benediction, Rosary and Adoration	TOTNES	10AM	
THURSDAY 4TH DEC	MASS	TOTNES	10AM	COLIN SPARROW RIP
FRIDAY 5TH DEC	MASS	KINGS- BRIDGE	10.15AM	

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

The new Liturgical Year commences with the First Sunday of Advent, opening the Advent season. In this new Liturgical Year, the Church not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all those who follow Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavours to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who was incarnated for us. In fact, the entire Liturgy of the Advent season, will spur us to an awakening in our Christian life and will put us in a 'vigilant'

disposition, to wait for Our Lord Jesus who is coming:

'Awaken! Remember that God comes! Not yesterday, not tomorrow, but today, now! The one true God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob," is not a God who is there in Heaven, unconcerned with us and our history, but he is the-God-who-comes.'



WE WILL HAVE OUR
CHRISTMAS FLOWER
COLLECTION NEXT
WEEKEND

THANK YOU FOR ANY AMOUNT
YOU CAN SPARE



The Installation of
Bishop Nicholas Hudson
will take place on
Saturday 29th
November at 12.30pm.
You can watch the event

live or at a later date using this link

[https://www.youtube.com/
live/6sUWxYU143Q?](https://www.youtube.com/live/6sUWxYU143Q?)

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

5PM SALCOMBE
7PM KINGSBRIDGE
9PM TOTNES

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

9.30AM TOTNES
11.30AM KINGSBRIDGE
PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE
NO MASS ON 26TH DECEMBER

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK

FRANK SCOTT, RICHARD BRADLEY, SARAH, LESLEY ANNE MAYES

WE REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES (RIP) WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED

Colin Sparrow, Sue Dwyer

SEEDS OF FAITH (TOTNES)

GENERALLY THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH All welcome.

If you would like more information please
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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE BY APPOINTMENT

ST MARY & ST GEORGE



Station Road, Totnes, TQ9 5HW

Safeguarding Team (Totnes)

Children and Vulnerable Adults

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

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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.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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TORBAY HOSPITAL
CHAPLAINCY VISITS

St Mary & St George

MESSAGE FROM THE SHEPHERDS—WE HAVE LOST OUR SHEEP—HELP NEEDED ASAP! Can you help find them for us? Please see poster 'Where's Woolly' at the back of the church.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

ADVENT FESTIVAL Our **Advent Festival** will take place on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th December. Our crib festival/sharing will be over this weekend. In order to make this event a success we need **YOUR HELP!** There will be a list at the back of the church with 2 hrs slots for you to add your name if you can come along and assist with the running of the event eg tea and coffee serving, general tidying up etc. Also we need volunteers to go into the town and hand out the leaflets. Cakes.....can you donate a cake to be brought in on Saturday 6th? Mince piescan you bring in some for Sunday 7th to be served after the carol service. We need lots of help throughout the weekend in various ways so **please, please** do support this event. Perhaps you sell craft items and if so would you like a stall during the weekend to sell your goods? Finally we very much need some bottles of wine, spirits, chocolates, toiletries or in fact anything you think would make a good raffle prize. If you have something please bring in asap as we need to start selling tickets (and we can't do that if we don't have any prizes). Please leave prizes in the hall.

Please bring empty shoe boxes for the "welcome" packs for the refugees. If people want to contribute content for the welcome boxes, they are mainly for men- so men's toiletries, disposable razors, tooth brushes, tooth paste, socks, hats, t-shirts, scarves, pens and paper/notebooks, combs, chocolate.

Also a reminder to bring your crib into church for display over the Weekend before Friday 5th December please- write your name on the box/bag in which you bring it.

If you would like a stall to sell your goods, or if you know of anybody else who might like a stall, please write your/their details on the list at the back of the church.



**Pocket Sized
Catholic Diary Mass
and Prayer Book
2026**

If you would like a
copy please email
the parish office. £4
per diary
(limited number
available)

**ORDO AND
YEAR BOOKS**

A limited number are
now available at the
back of the church.



**TOTNES ADVENT
FESTIVAL
WEEKEND
6TH / 7TH
DECEMBER**

**'KINGSBRIDGE
CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS'
6TH DECEMBER**

**KINGSBRIDGE
'TRADITIONAL CAROLS'
13TH DECEMBER**

**PARISH LUNCH
THURLESTONE GOLF
CLUB
11TH JANUARY 26**

Church of the Sacred Heart & Our Lady Star of the Sea

KINGSBRIDGE CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS this year is the 6th December. As in past years we plan to hold our usual display of cribs within Sacred Heart Church in Kingsbridge. This event is always very popular but is a lot of work beforehand and on the day. We also plan to have a small stall on our forecourt selling gifts and produce, plus teas and coffee with a mince pie. The money raised will be split between the Catholic Children's Society and WORK. We will need a few helpers to help set up the display (and afterwards clear it away ready for Mass on Sunday) and then a small army of volunteers to steward the church and man the stall between 10am & 4pm. Nearer the time we will put a board up in the porch where you can sign up for an hour-or two!! please put this date on your calendar and also we need gifts for the stall and maybe Christmas cakes and puddings, mince pies, preserves, other various cakes and biscuits.

PARISH LUNCH SUNDAY JANUARY 11th 2026 after 11.30 Mass at Thurlestone Golf Club. We now have the proposed menu for the Parish Lunch at the Thurlestone Golf Club on 11th January 2026. Please email Nick Lipson your preferences as soon as possible at Coulisman@live.co.uk (menus are at the back of our churches)

*****NEW*** TRADITIONAL CAROLS** Our event will take place on Fore Street Saturday 13th December. We are asking for mince pies, as well as your voices! Homemade or otherwise are all welcome. In addition we do provide some to the traditional Nine Lessons and Carols which will be on 21st December at St Thomas of Canterbury Dodbrook church at 6pm.

*****NEW*** WORLDWIDE** Also reminder to parishioners of all churches that Wordwise, the Christian Bookshop and cafe on Fore Street Kingsbridge has a large range of 'true' Christmas cards, Advent candles and nativity sets.

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*****NEW*** IGNATIAN SILENT RETREATS** in the Ignatian tradition are open to Christians of any denomination, who would like to step back from everyday life and review their journey in faith. An Individually Guided Retreat offers each person the opportunity for space, SILENCE and prayer. Each retreatant will meet a Spiritual Companion daily and together they will discuss how best to use the time of retreat and help you to pray using scripture and your own experience of life. Together you will try to discern what God is saying to you at this time. Advent 2025 Silent Retreats: Nov 28th – 30th (Fri – Sun) Weekend Retreat; Nov 28th – 2nd Dec (Fri – Tues) Extended Weekend Retreat; Dec 1st – 5th Dec (Mon – Fri) Midweek Retreat; Nov 28th – 5th Dec (Fri – Fri) Six-day retreat. Lent 2026 Silent Retreats: Feb 13th – 15th (Fri – Sun) Weekend Retreat; Feb 13th – 17th (Fri – Tues) Extended Weekend Retreat; Feb 16th – 20th (Mon – Fri) Midweek Retreat; Feb 13th – 20th (Fri – Fri) Six-day retreat. Venue: St Rita's Centre, Honiton, East Devon. Retreat cost includes full board & lodging. Recommended donation: Weekend Retreat £160; Extended Weekend Retreat £280; Midweek Retreat £275; 6-day Retreat £475.

*****NEW*** ADVENT RETREAT DAY ON SATURDAY, 6th DECEMBER 2025 AT ST RITA'S CENTRE** "From Captivity to Freedom: An Advent Journey of Hope" led by Deacon Kelvin Russell & Fr Jose Romero OAR. The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. The first talk will start at 10am. The second talk will be at 11am. Adoration in silence (with an opportunity for Confession) will be at 12.00pm. Lunch will be served at 1pm. Holy Mass at 2.45pm. Depart at 3.30pm. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £25.00. To register, please complete the application form, available from the parish office. You can contact St Rita's Centre by phone at 01404 42635, by email at admin@stritascentre.org, or register online via our website: <https://www.stritascentre.org/events-retreats-1/advent-retreat-day-from-captivity-to-freedom-an-advent-journey-of-hope>.