

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

NewsLetter

20TH SEPTEMBER —TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME A2 PSALTER 1



Plymouth Diocese

SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER	MASS	SALCOMBE	5PM	MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER	MASS MASS	TOTNES KINGSBRIDGE	9.30AM 11.30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER	MASS (IN THE HALL)	TOTNES	10.00AM	
THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER	MASS (IN THE HALL)	TOTNES	10.00AM	
FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER	MASS	KINGSBRIDGE	10.15AM	

**WE REMEMBER OUR LOVED
ONES & THOSE WHO HAVE
RECENTLY DIED MAY THEY
REST IN PEACE**
GEORGIA TOWNSEND

**Are you coeliac?
If so, let Fr. Jaromir
know before Mass.
We have gluten free
hosts available.**



FEAST DAYS

21ST SEPTEMBER—FEAST OF ST MATTHEW
22ND SEPTEMBER—DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL
24TH SEPTEMBER—FEAST OF OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM

SEEDS OF FAITH (TOTNES) GENERALLY THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE
MONTH All welcome. If you would like more information please contact
Margaret Cushen cushen@tiscali.co.uk

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK

FRANK SCOTT, SARAH, RITA COOMBS,
LESLEY ANNE MAYES, PREW BOSWELL, FRANCES VACAS,
GRAHAM MAYES

MARRIAGE MATTERS TWO IN ONE FLESH

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.



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9am to 1pm every Thurs

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
BY APPOINTMENT**

ST MARY & ST GEORGE

Station Road, Totnes, TQ9 5HW



Safeguarding Team (Totnes)

Children and Vulnerable Adults

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Liz Allott 07816 184884

Julia Tysie 07880 888186

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

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THIS WEEKEND IS EVANGELII GAUDIUM DAY—THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU CAN GIVE



*****NEW*** GET READY TO SUPPORT HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY**

FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER 2026 (GIFT AID ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE)

This Family Fast Day, we are sharing a story of our work from northern Zimbabwe, where drought has left communities facing severe food and water shortages. Twelve-year-old Tayla told us she often arrived at school

hungry and tired after fetching water for her family. Without enough to eat and drink, she struggled to concentrate and feared she would fall behind in her studies. But thanks to the generosity of parishes like ours, our local Caritas partners worked with Tayla's school and community to build a solar-powered water system. Now the school has safe water for drinking and for growing vegetables, meaning they can provide nutritious meals to the children all year round, helping them to stay in education and develop their God-given talents. Our parish's support this Family Fast Day will help more children like Tayla stay in school.

*****NEW*** CATECHESIS IN OUR PARISHES** Fr Jaromir will run sessions in preparation for baptism and reception into the church in Kingsbridge on Sundays after Mass. In Totnes our sessions will be Fridays at 5pm with our next session taking place on 25th September in the hall

*****NEW*** PARISH LONE WORKING POLICY** We are introducing a lone working policy for our parish. If you expect to be alone on parish premises at any time, please speak to Liz or Julia or let Caroline know, so that you can have a copy of our policy. A copy is also on the noticeboard in the narthex.

*****NEW*** ARE YOU COELIAC?** If so, let Fr. Jaromir know before Mass. We have gluten free hosts available.



St Mary & St George

*****NEW*** CEILING LIGHTS IN THE CHURCH** We will be replacing the ceiling lights in the church next week therefore our Tuesday and Thursday Masses will take place in the hall.

27TH SEPTEMBER—CONFIRMATION—MESSAGE FROM SASKIA Bishop Nicholas will be visiting Totnes church at the 9.30 Mass for four candidates **Euan, Jessica, Marishka and Teddy** to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Everyone is welcome to bring cake, biscuits or snacks for all to enjoy after Mass. Please talk to Saskia Hogbin for further details. Thank you.

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

ABUNA ELIAS CHACOUR VISIT Very sadly due to a mixture of the continued disruption in The Holy Land and the health problems prevalent in an 86 year old even in someone as resilient as Abuna Elias Chacour it has been mutually decided that the anticipated visit must be cancelled. We are obviously disappointed about this situation but are determined to continue our support for the multi faith schools in Ibilin Galilee. If anyone is interested in Desktops for Peace you are very welcome to view our website or contact Ann Yates on annwoodcote@me.com

*****NEW*** C.C.S.P.—ORANGE for OCTOBER** Please see the poster on the noticeboard with ways to help raise money for this amazing charity.

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING In November 2025 ten of the UK's leading experts briefed politicians, faith leaders and others on implications of climate and nature breakdown. Bishop John Arnold, Lead Bishop for the Environment, who was at the briefing, says *'Our faith compels us to speak up on matters of justice and morality and by joining this initiative we can play our part in calling for the government to take the action that is urgently needed. The Catholic Church in England and Wales will be encouraging as many parishes to screen the People's Emergency Briefing as possible.'* Churches Together Totnes have arranged a screening of the film (over 16s) at Totnes United Free Church on Saturday 26th September 6.30pm. The evening will start with a soup and roll supper, admission free but please book at [totnesunitedfreechurch website](https://totnesunitedfreechurch.org.uk) or use QR code on poster in the narthex.

A RETREAT FOR YOU Have you ever thought about going away for a retreat but either couldn't take the time out or couldn't afford the cost? Do you know that it is possible to arrange a retreat around your own daily schedule? St Ignatius of Loyola worked out a way to do this, and the Plymouth Diocese Ignatian Spirituality Group can help you take advantage of it. We are offering a Week of Guided Prayer for the Torbay Deanery from 16 to 20 November as a preparation for Advent. It will be based in the St Marychurch and Abbey Road parishes For further information contact Tony on leocardia609@gmail.com or 07769 688 128.



**BISHOP NICHOLAS
TO VISIT
& CONFIRMATION
27TH SEPTEMBER**

**MINISTER
RECOMMISSIONING
DATES**

Flower Arrangers
October 1st (Thursday)
Feast of St Therese of
Lisieux

Musicians
22nd November
St Cecilia,
Patron Saint of Music

COLLECTIONS 2026

**20TH SEPTEMBER
EVANGELII GAUDIUM
DAY**

**4TH OCTOBER
CAFOD HARVEST
FAST DAY COLLECTION**

**18TH OCTOBER
WORLD MISSION
SUNDAY**