

PARISH OF ST JAMES at ST ANDREW'S & ST BONIFACE
with St John's Catholic Primary School & Pre-School Academy
The Catholic Community in the Heart of Mid Devon

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NEWSLETTER

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS **2 November 2025**



Parish Clergy:

Revd Canon Kristian Paver - Parish Priest
Revd Deacon Michael Tosh

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Solemnity of All Saints

This year, in England and Wales, the Solemnity of All Saints has been transferred from Saturday 1 November to Sunday 2 November. Therefore, all the Masses this weekend will be for All Saints.

St John Henry Newman, Doctor of the Church



During Mass this Saturday, 1 November, Pope Leo XIV will officially proclaim Saint John Henry Newman, the most recently canonised saint from England and Wales, the 38th Doctor of the Church. The website of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales (<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/newman-doctor-of-the-church/>) has a series of useful articles explaining what a 'Doctor of the Church' is and why Saint John Henry Newman's teaching and wisdom not only resonated with his

contemporaries, but still illuminates, instructs and inspires us today. There is also a series of podcasts, entitled [Journeying with Newman](#), which seeks to examine the breadth of Newman's teaching and preaching by way of reflections from those who have been inspired by and have had their lives touched by him.

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed – All Souls

Due to the transferral of the Solemnity of All Saints, the Commemoration of All Souls will take place this Monday, 3 November. To mark this day, there will be a Mass at St Andrew's, Tiverton, at 10.00am.

November Prayers for the Dead

During the month of November, we traditionally pray more intensely for those who have died. As is our custom, a receptacle will be placed in front of the altar in both our churches for the names of your family, friends and others who have died. These will be remembered by name during the Mass on Friday 28 November at 12noon at St Andrew's. A sheet for names of those who have died is attached to the Newsletter.



CHAT Harvest Food Collection

This year, CHAT would love your support in helping them replenish their stocks. Your donations can either be left at church, placed in the receptacles in some supermarkets or taken to CHAT directly. Visit <https://www.chatmid.org/harvest-2025> for more information. Also available at the back of church are flyers celebrating the 30th anniversary of the founding of CHAT which invite us to collect and donate a specific item over a 30-day period.

Speaking Truth to Power

On the occasion of the recent visit of the Vice-President of the United States of America to the Church of the Resurrection in the Old City of Jerusalem, Archbishop Atallah Hanna, Archbishop of Sebastia from the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Jerusalem, issued an [open message](#) to JD Vance, hoping that it would reach him during his visit and that the Palestinian Christian voice would be heard. It is well-worth a read!



First Holy Communion 2026

Parents who have children who are in Year 2 or older and who wish them to start preparing to receive First Holy Communion next year are asked to complete an application form and to return it to Canon Kristian or the parish office as soon as possible. The dates of the first two sessions are Saturday 15 November and Saturday 6 December at 9.00am in St John's School Hall, Melbourne Street, Tiverton.

World Day of the Poor Event

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth invites you to 'Signs of Hope,' an event on 15 November, 10.30am-3.00pm at St Rita's Centre, Honiton, marking World Day of the Poor. David McLoughlin will deliver inspirational keynote talks, helping us reflect on Pope Leo XIV's message and explore ways to combat poverty both globally and locally. A simple lunch is included. To register, please phone Caritas on 01364 645360 or email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk.

Christmas Tree Baubles

Tony and Ann Doble have been given a number of good quality Christmas tree decorations from Hillersdon House. They will be selling these after Sunday Mass at St Boniface towards the middle of November. All proceeds will go to the Church funds to support the refurbishment of St James and the pending works on the church and presbytery at St Boniface.

Big Christmas Raffle

It's nearly time to launch the Parish big Christmas Raffle, organised by the Friends of St James and St Boniface. There will be a main prize of a luxury hamper and two smaller hamper prizes. Tickets will be on sale, £5 each. Donations towards the hampers, whether luxury or made in the Southwest, would be really appreciated. There is a list up at the entrance to church of specific items. Please put your name next to the item you would like to donate and bring the item in by Sunday 9 November. If you would like to donate a different item or give a cash donation, these are also very welcome. An additional hamper basket is also needed. Please contact Siobhan with any questions: 07522 338897 or siobhanewarne@yahoo.co.uk.

Call for Flower Arrangers

We are looking for volunteers to join the small band of parishioners who provide floral decorations to enhance the church environment for our Masses and other Services throughout the year at St Andrew's (St James) Tiverton. All you need is the interest and desire to share your love of flowers and a willingness to work together as part of a small team. Please contact Ellie Williams by sending her an email via the parish email: tiverton@prcdtr.org.uk.

Parish Diary

Saturday 1 November – Weekday

- Parish Finance and Property Committee, 9.30am, in St Andrew's Hall
- Parish Laudato Si' Group, 4.00pm, in St Andrew's Hall
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm *Pro Populo*

Sunday 2 November – All Saints (transferred)

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface)
- Holy Mass at 11.30am *Teresa, Jozef, Janusz Michalowski, Jozef Gorlo, Deceased of the Gorlo, Karolak, Michalowski and Waraksa families*

31st Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 3 November – The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

- Holy Mass at 10.00am
- Singing to Remember at 2.00pm in St Andrew's Hall

Tuesday 4 November – St Charles Borromeo, Bishop

- Holy Mass at 9.00am *Deceased of the Gorlo, Karolak, Michalowski and Waraksa families*

Wednesday 5 November – Weekday

- Mass at 12noon (St Boniface) *Deceased Priests and Parishioners of the Parish (FM)*

Thursday 6 November – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 9.00am *E.F.Ridout, parents and relatives RIP (FM)*

Friday 7 November – St Willibrord, Bishop

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessors at 11.30am
- Holy Mass at 12noon
- Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 12.30pm

Saturday 8 November – Weekday

- Alan and Nina's Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12noon, in St Andrew's Hall
- Youth Club, 11.00am-12.30pm, in St Boniface's Hall
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm *Sue and Keith (wedding ints)*

Sunday 9 November – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Remembrance Sunday)

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface) *Pro Populo*
- Holy Mass at 11.30am *Those fallen in war*