PARISH OF ST JOHN & ST JAMES, Tiverton,
with ST BONIFACE, Cullompton
The Catholic Community in the Heart of Mid Devon
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NEWSLETTER

Solemnity of All Saints
1 November 2026

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November Prayers for the Dead

During the month of November, we are encouraged to focus our prayers more earnestly on those who have died and especially for those who are in purgatory, that time of purification leading to their entry into the communion of the saints in heaven. There are receptacles in front of the altar is both of our churches for the names of those who have died and for whom we will pray throughout the month. A sheet for these names is attached to the Newsletter, and hard copies can be found at the entrance to church. The names will be commemorated at the Mass on Friday 27 November at 12noon.

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

As Monday is All Souls Day, there will be a Mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed at 9.00am.

All Souls at St Andrew's, Tiverton

For those who might be interested, a small choir is coming to sing Faure's Requiem as part of the evening service for All Souls at our friends in St Andrew's, Tiverton, on Monday 2 November at 7.00pm.

Mass at St John's School

There will be a Mass in St John's School Hall, Melbourne Street, Tiverton, on Friday at 2.15pm mark the start of the School Year and to celebrate the Harvest. Please do come along and take part in the Mass with our children.

Preparation for First Holy Communion 2027

The first of the sessions for the children and their families who are preparing for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion next year will take place in the Parish Hall at 10.00am next Saturday, 7 November.

World Day of the Poor Event – The Lord is the Refuge of the Poor

Join Caritas Diocese of Plymouth to celebrate the 10th World Day of the Poor on Saturday 14 November, 11.00am-4.30pm, at our newly dedicated St John and St James Catholic Church. Bishop Nicholas will open the day and close it with the celebration of the 6.00pm Vigil Mass. The keynote speaker, David Wells, will reflect on Pope Leo's Message and Canon Kristian will give a brief introduction to the new church. A simple lunch will be provided. Registration is essential for this free event and early booking is advised. To register, click 10th World Day of the Poor Event: Tiverton – Fill in form, email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk or tel: 01364 645440.

Cleaner for St John and St James

We are looking to hire a cleaner at St John and St James Church, Tiverton, for 3 hours a week (plus an additional 2 hours fortnightly) at £13.45 an hour. Please contact recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk for the job description and application form. Closing date for applications is Monday 2 November.

SVP Skittles Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended last week's skittles evening and to those parishioners who were unable to attend but who gave donations. The sum of £124 was raised to support the work of the SVP.

CAFOD World Gifts

Bring joy to the world this year by buying CAFOD World Gifts for family members and friends this Christmas. When you buy World Gifts, you make a real impact in communities all around the world. Last year, for example, 1479 families got access to safe, clean water, 2885 lessons were provided to help people learn to read and write, 1397 families received essentials to stay warm this winter and 1558 goats and chickens were given to farmers along with training so that they can earn a living for their families. Please take a catalogue away with you today.

September Parish Giving

Loose: £1005.06 Contactless: £350.00 Standing Orders: £3265.00

Parish Altar Servers

We always need more altar servers, so any young person who has made their First Holy Communion is encouraged to come forward and offer themselves for this importance service for our community. It would be great to see youngsters from all the different cultural backgrounds in our parish represented on the altar. Please speak to Canon Kristian over the next couple of weeks and training can then be arranged.

Young Adults' Advent Retreat

An Advent retreat for young adults' retreat (18-30) will be held at Buckfast Abbey, 20-22 November. The weekend will explore Isaiah 40:3, with talks led by Br Augustine OP and Br Reginald OP, with a chance to pray and reflect whilst meeting other young adults from across the Diocese. £40 contribution per person. For more information contact Saskia at youth@prcdtr.org.uk. Booking is essential: Buckfast Abbey Retreat for young adults 20th - 22nd November 2026 – Fill in form.

Advent Retreat Day

An Advent Retreat Day, "Exploring Prayer and Conversion", will take place on Saturday 5 December at St Rita's led by Fr. Gerald Wilson OAR. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £27.00. To register, please complete the application form attached to the Newsletter or, alternatively, register online here. For more information, you can contact St Rita's Centre on 01404 42635 or at admin@stritascentre.org. Payment can be made in advance or on the day.

Parish Diary

Saturday 31 October – Weekday

- Youth Club, 11.00am-12.30pm, in St Boniface's Hall
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

Sunday 1 November – Solemnity of All Saints

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface) *Pro Populo*
- Holy Mass at 11.00am

31st Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 2 November – Commemoration of the All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

- Holy Mass at 9.00am
- Singing to Remember at 2.00pm

Tuesday 3 November – St Winifride, Virgin

- Holy Mass at 9.00am

Wednesday 4 November – St Charles Borromeo, Bishop

- Holy Mass at 12noon (St Boniface)

Thursday 5 November – Weekday

- Holy Mass at 9.00am

Friday 6 November – Weekday

- Confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 11.30am
- Holy Mass at 12noon
- Prayer of the Holy Rosary at 12.30pm
- Mass for the New School Year and the Harvest, 2.15pm, in St John's School Hall

Saturday 7 November – St Willibrord, Bishop

- The Friends of the Parish, 9.00am, in the Parish Hall
- First Holy Communion Preparation, 10.00am-12noon, in the Parish Hall
- Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

Sunday 8 November – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) – Remembrance Sunday

- Holy Mass at 9.30am (St Boniface) *Pro Populo*
- Holy Mass at 11.00am