

## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

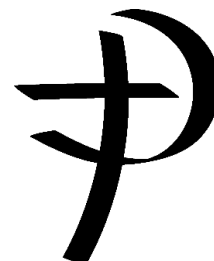
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**Week Commencing Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023 (Year B)**

**First Sunday of Advent**

(Readings: Isaiah 63: 16-17.19 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark13:33-37)

<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Tavistock	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass	
	<b>Vigil Mass of First Sunday of Advent</b>			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>Sheila Shipton RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>Jim Walsh, RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Yelverton	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass	<i>Tony Allen RIP</i>
	Tavistock	6pm	Rosary Group	
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Tavistock	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	<i>St Nicholas</i>	10am	Mass	<i>For all the volunteers in the church</i>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>N.B.</i>	10am	Mass	<b>(For those signed down - places limited)</b>
	<i>St Ambrose</i>	<b>Buckland Abbey</b>		
<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Vigil Mass of Second Sunday of Advent</b>			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>Private Intention</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>Private Intention</i>
	Tavistock	6pm	<b>9 Lessons and Carols</b>	
	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> – After Mass or by appointment.			

**A very warm welcome to all our visitors!**

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

**the sick and/or housebound: including,** Margaret Davies, Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Shelagh Robinson, Margaret Drayton, Mary Boon, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Robert Edwards, Anne O'Kelly, Fr Michael Cole, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst Eileen Hoy and Monica Finn.

There will be **Children's Liturgy** during the 10.45am Mass. *Please remember children under 4 must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for them.*

**Refreshments** will be served in the hall after the 10.45am Mass this Sunday. If you could take a turn one Sunday, please sign the rota in the hall.

**Advent:** Walk with Me booklets are now available at the back of the Church - £1.

**Flowers** – sadly our Flower Fund is depleted. We want to be able to decorate our Church for Christmas. Please can you spare some cash? There's a basket at the back of the Church – thank you.

**The Martha Group** will be hosting a speaker, Jack Hodge, a Youth Leader from **CATALYST**, who will outline his role and work with our young people in Tavistock schools, on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10: 45**. The Martha Group will hold their meeting following Jack's talk. All are welcome to attend. Coffee from 10:30am.

Our annual **Christmas Raffle** will take place on Sunday 17th December, after Mass. Squares £1 each will be on sale from next Sunday 26th November. 1st Prize £50. Other prizes include vouchers, very good bottles etc. Proceeds to church funds. If you would like to contribute towards the prizes and/or if you are able to serve the mulled wine and mince pies on 17th please see Sue Walsh, Danny or Fi Marks.

### **Annual Mass in the Chapel at Buckland Abbey:**

This will take place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 10:00 am. As places are restricted, please sign the sheet at the back of church, if you wish to attend.

N.B. Please park in the main car park and use the rear entrance to the Abbey (the Exit!). If you need a lift in the buggy, please let Mary Pike know. 01822 855281

**ADVENT RETREAT DAY ON THE SATURDAY 9th  
DECEMBER 2023 AT ST RITA'S CENTRE**

"PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD" FAITH AND  
WORKS led by Deacon Nick Johnson.

The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. The first talk will start at 10.15am. Adoration in silence (with opportunity for Confession) will be at 11.15pm. The second talk will be at 12.10am. Lunch will be served at 1pm. The third talk will start at 2.10pm. Mass at 3.15pm. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £25.00. Booking can be made by phone, email or online ([www.stritascentre.org/events](http://www.stritascentre.org/events)) Payment can be made on the day.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December—6pm (N.B.Note change of time)**

9 Lessons and Carols at Our Lady of the Assumption, Tavistock.  
Readers wanted. Contact Ann Ruth if you can help.

**The Annual Joint-Parish Christmas Dinner  
with Yelverton & Tavistock parishioners invited.**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January at the Yelverton Golf Club,  
6.30 for 7pm.**

There are copies of the menu, prices & forms at the  
back of the churches OR we can email you a copy!

**Closing date for signing down is 31st December!**

**Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham.** At a recent Parish Council Meeting in Tavistock, it was agreed to try and organise a Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham in November 2024. Stephen Sylvester has been tasked with taking this forward. Would you be interested in going? It will be a 3-night stay, Wednesday to Saturday, Bed & Breakfast at a cost of approx. £77 per person per night. **Make your own way there or car share.** Once booked there will be a 25% non-returnable deposit, 50% to be paid within 6 months and the balance paid 2 months before the date of departure.

Please let Stephen know as soon as possible if you would be interested— [stephen.silvester@btinternet.com](mailto:stephen.silvester@btinternet.com) or phone 07810 305605. Thank you.

Simon DELL's cancelled talk on The Dartmoor Conchies has been re-scheduled.

**This event has now been rescheduled for WEDNESDAY  
1<sup>st</sup> May 2024 at 1pm at Our Lady of The Assumption  
Church.**

If you are unable to attend this event and have already PAID, you may request a refund of the monies.

If you would like a refund, please let Jane Lumley know and this can be arranged for you.

The format of the above event will be notified nearer the time.

**Pope's Intentions for December — For persons with disabilities**

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

**CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal**

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at [cafod.org.uk/ipc](http://cafod.org.uk/ipc) or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

**Tavistock Food Bank**—For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: Milk, Crisps, Toilet Rolls, Tinned Meat, Cleaning materials, Tinned potatoes.

**Christmas treats such as:** a *Bottle of festive cordial, Mince pies, Christmas puddings and cakes/logs, Custard and tinned fruit, Selection box, Tube crisps/nuts/savoury biscuits, Stuffing/gravy granules/cranberry sauce, Chocolate/sweets* **Festive/box biscuits would be very much appreciated.**

**Thank you**



**Have you got a Red Box** which needs emptying? In order to have its contents included this year please leave it at the back of the church asap.

**Missio calendars for 2024 are available on the back table.**

**Parish Notices:-**

We would like to thank all those who supported our **Redwednesday event**. There was a lovely atmosphere and a chance to catch up on old friends resulting in a profit of nearly £300.

**Collections: November 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 2023  
Details to follow next week**

**Thank you.**

**Bonus Ball News:** The winner on 25<sup>th</sup> November was Sarah Murray with ball number 49. She won £25. There were 36 subscribers that night so £11 went to church funds.

The **Parish Safeguarding Representative** is Sue Walsh.



**Newsletter:** Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807) or email: [svwalsh@hotmail.com](mailto:svwalsh@hotmail.com) **(All items for the newsletter by noon on a Wednesday please).**

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