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The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity

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*St Augustine's
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Sunday 11 December 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

Come, Lord and save us; Come, Lord and save us.

Mass Readings:

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6,10
Responsorial Psalm: 145 (146)
Second Reading: James 5:7-10
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Mass times	
Sun 11 Dec 3rd Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am
Tuesday 13 Dec St. Lucy	Axminster 7pm, Eucharistic Adoration until 8.30pm
Wed 14 Dec St. John of the Cross	Seaton 10am, Eucharistic Adoration until 11.30am
Thu 15 Dec	Lyme Regis 10am, Eucharistic Adoration, until 11.30am
Fri 16 Dec	No Mass at Axminster Lyme Regis 12pm - Requiem Mass for Joyce Yates RIP
Sat 17 Dec	No confessions at Axminster Seaton 5.30pm
Sun 18 Dec 4th Sunday of Advent	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am
Confessions: During Eucharistic Adoration as above, otherwise by arrangement.	

Let us keep in our prayers those who are sick and housebound in our parish including Matthew Waters, Liz Berry, Pippa Brough and Chris Reynard.

Expectant Mothers (those who are pregnant and those who long for a child) – particularly prayed for on the 4th Sunday of Advent

The Gospel on the 4th Sunday of Advent focusses on the role of Mary in our salvation. Over the three year cycle the gospel tells of the betrothal of Mary to Joseph, the Annunciation and the Visitation. The stories prepare us for the Birth of our Lord at Christmas.

Prayer: God has brought gladness and light to the world through the Virgin Mary's delivery of her son. Grant the prayer of all mothers to be as they ask for the birth of a healthy child. May they safely deliver a son or daughter to be numbered among your family, to serve you in all things, and to gain eternal life.

Parish Christmas Raffle

Please make sure you return all sold ticket stubs to the parish office by Friday 16 December so they can be included in the draw.

Make sure you join us for the draw which will take place after Mass on Sunday 18 December in Axminster.

Carol singing at Silverleigh Care home, Friday 16 December

A group of carol singers from St Mary's will be singing at Silverleigh care home on 16 December from 3pm for approximately 45 minutes.

If you enjoy singing carols and would like to join in, please contact Kathy Chaplin (Choir) at the end of Mass at Axminster or on 07762 377 470. Carol sheets will be provided.

Christmas flower collection

There will be a collection for the next two weeks for Christmas flowers.

If you are able to contribute, please leave a donation in the basket provided at the back of the church.

Christmas flower arranging at Axminster

If you are interested in helping to decorate St. Mary's Church for Christmas please come along on Friday 23rd December at 10.00am. Please bring some greenery from your garden if you would like. Also if you would like to join the weekly flower rota please contact Mary on 07788547115.

Counters for Axminster

Can you spare about an hour once a week to count and bank the parish collections? If we have enough volunteers, the counting could be done on a rota basis. If you are able to help, please speak to Fr Jacek after Mass or contact the Parish office.



Missio Red boxes

Thank you to all Red Box holders for returning your boxes. The money has been counted and we have raised £178.89.

Blessing of our Baby Jesus figures

The beautiful Advent Tradition, Bambinelli Sunday, was instituted by Saint Pope John Paul II during his Papacy. The tradition follows that on the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) children and adults bring their Baby Jesus figures from their homes to St Peters Square where they are blessed by the Pope. All children and families are invited to bring the Baby Jesus figure from their homes to be blessed. Families can make their own 'Bambinelli' if they wish.

Parishes around the world now join in the celebration, encouraging young children to make the connection between the Nativity set at home and the local church where they worship each weekend - "It helps children and young people to prepare for Jesus." (Pope Francis)

A suggestion is, following the blessing, take your 'Bambinelli' home, wrap it and open it as a family on Christmas morning where the youngest member of the family would place it in the crib. A gift of the presence of Christ in your home this Christmas. This year we will celebrate 'Bambinelli Sunday' on 11 December.

Please note there will be no 10am Mass this Friday at Axminster.

Christmas Masses

Saturday 24 December - Christmas Eve

Seaton 6:30pm,
Axminster 8:30pm, Lyme Regis 11pm

Sunday 25 December - Christmas Day

Axminster 9am. Lyme Regis 11am

Monday 26 December

Axminster 12pm

Tuesday 27 December

Axminster - No Mass

Wednesday 28 December

Seaton 10am

Thursday 29 December

Lyme Regis 10am

Friday 30 December

Axminster - No Mass

Saturday 31 December

Seaton 5.30pm

Sunday 1 January 2023

Axminster 9 am, Lyme Regis 11 am



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FIRST
ESPECIALLY AT
CHRISTMAS TIME**

Please take time to visit our nativity over the Christmas period.

The collection will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) as it works across the Diocese, spreading God's love and giving families hope in times of crisis.

**Thank you for your
generosity.**