**Pope's November Prayer Intention** Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

# Advent Festival at St Mary & St George Catholic Church - 6/7 December

Station Road, Totnes, TQ9 5HW

# Saturday 6 December

10:30am: Performance by the Berry Pomeroy Handbell Ringers

3pm: Music from Gemstones, a chamber wind group. Hot drinks and cakes will be available.

# **Sunday 7 December**

9:30am: Parish Mass 3pm: Carol Service featuring the Totnes and Bridgetown Community Choir Afterwards, enjoy mince pies and mulled wine. Throughout the weekend, visitors can admire our beautiful display of family cribs, browse craft tables with handmade goods, and take part in our raffle with many great prizes. All are welcome!

### Residential for Teens (13-17yrs) 23-25 January 2026

**East Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor.** 'I was a stranger and you invited me in' *Matt* 25v35. Refugees and asylum seekers, who are they? Why did they flee? A contribution of £50 per person to assist with costs. Further info youth@prcdtr.org.uk

### **Axminster Foodbank**

**Items needed:** cereal, soup, rice pudding, long-life milk, tins fruit, mixed veg carrots, peas, potatoes, pasta, tomatoes, beans, tinned meats, tea bags, coffee, jam, biscuits, long-life milk, washing powder/liquid, shampoo, shower gel.

### Seaton Foodbank

Week ending 14 November we helped 7 adults and 1 child, providing enough food for 168 meals. Items we're short of: Small tins of ham and chicken, semi-skimmed long life milk, jars of marmalade, tins, cartons or packets.

Please note we are unable to accept alcoholic drinks, fresh food, out of date or opened food.

### SAFEGUARDING EVERYBODY EVERY DAY

You can speak to our parish safeguarding reps in confidence if you have any concerns or if you are offering to carry out a ministry that will need a DBS check and want to find out more.

# Safeguarding contacts: Julie Gray and Liz Tompkins

In the absence of a Parish Safeguarding Representative, any concern of a safeguarding nature should be raised with the Diocesan Safeguarding Team who can be contacted on 01364 645430 or email <a href="mailto:safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk">safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk</a>

# The Parish of the Most Holy Trinity

# Priest in Charge: Fr Jacek Kostuch

The Priest's House

St Mary's RC Church, Lyme Road, Axminster EX13 5BE Telephone: 01297 32135 or in an emergency 07776 082408

Parish office hours

Monday - Friday 4pm - 6pm Monday 10am - 12pm

Email: axminster@prcdtr.org.uk Website: https://thecatholictpn.org/







SS Michael & George Church, Lyme Regis, DT7 3HS



St Augustine's Church, Seaton, EX12 2AJ

# Sunday 23rd November 2025 Let us go rejoicing to the house of the LORD.

Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 Responsorial Psalm 122

Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43



# Our Parish School:

St Mary's Catholic Primary, Lyme Road, Axminster EX13 5BE

T: 01297 32785

	Mass times	Mass intentions
SUNDAY 23rd November 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KIND OF THE UNIVERSE (YOUTH DAY - YOUNG PEOPLE)	Axminster 9am Lyme Regis 11am	For young people in our parish
MONDAY 24th November St Andrew Dung-Lac Pr M and Companions Mm Mem	Axminster 5pm (Adoration until 6.30pm)	Grazyna KOSTUCH (on occasion of birthday)
TUESDAY 25th November	Axminster 12noon	Benefactors and beneficiaries of PSCF
WEDNESDAY 26th November	NO MASS	
THURSDAY 27th November	Lyme Regis 10am	Marian WILKES int's
FRIDAY 28th November	Axminster 10am	Bp - elect Nicholas int's
SATURDAY 29th November St Cuthbert Mayne Pr M Mem 1st Mass of 1st Sunday of Advent - Year A	Plymouth Cathedral 12.30 pm (Installation of Bp. Nicholas) Seaton 5:30pm	Dariush KAMALI (on occasion of birthday)
SUNDAY 30th November 1st Sunday of Advent - Year A	Axminster 9am  Lyme Regis 11am	Parish intentions

Confessions: After Masses weekdays or by arrangement with Fr Jacek

# The Carmel of the Annunciation, Thicket, York Thought from Thicket....

"Our most Sacred King still has much to give. He would never want to do anything else than give if He could find receivers." (St Teresa of Avila)



# An opportunity to reflect on the Mass - 26 November Offered after Mass in Seaton (45 minutes)

Please bring your Missio Red Boxes to church for counting by the end of November! Thank you.

# Parish Family Event - Advent Active Waiting; Sunday 30th November

A Parish Family Event will take place at St Marys Catholic Primary School, Axminster on Sunday 30th November.

The program will start with Gathering up to 12.45.pm.

1pm - Lunch

2pm - Guided activity 1 by Fr Jacek

2.30pm - Group activity

2.45 pm - Guided activity 2

3.15 - Refreshments;

3.30 - Time for reflection and for time of prayer; Conclusion at 4pm.

For catering purpose please let me know whether you and others wish to join in this activity. A good foundation for a memorable Advent. Please join us.

With best wishes, Fr Jacek

**Our latest Diocesan Newsletter** for November is now available <a href="mailto:bit.ly/3LPDL0k">bit.ly/3LPDL0k</a>
This edition contains information about the installation of our new Bishop, which can also be found at <a href="https://www.plymouth.diocese.org.uk/category/diocese-news/">www.plymouth.diocese.org.uk/category/diocese-news/</a>



# Mary Teresa BEASON RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Beason, former parishioner at St Augustine, who died on 31st October. Please also pray for Mary's son and all Mary's family and friends who mourn her.

The funeral will take place at St Augustine, Seaton on Monday 1 December, 10:30am.

# ADVENT RETREAT DAY Saturday 6th December - St Rita's Centre

"FROM CAPTIVITY TO FREEDOM: AN ADVENT JOURNEY OF HOPE"

led by Deacon Kelvin Russell and Fr. Jose Romero OAR

9.30am - 3.30pm The charge for the day, including lunch, £25.

For more information and to book your place, call St Rita's Centre 01404 42635, email at admin@stritascentre.org, or register online https://bit.ly/3JXyoeW

The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham seeks help to purchase a property to accommodate their growing community and further their apostolates of prayer, parish missions, hospitality, chaplaincy and youth work. Any amount, large or small is greatly appreciated and the community assure you of their prayers.

Cheques payable to COLW can be sent to House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor, Dereham, NR20 4AZ. More info, as well as the option to donate online, can be found

at: www.maryshouseappeal.org , 01362 692574 office@walsinghamcommunity.org

#### Reflection

When we look at Jesus on the cross do we see our King, or are we like most of those looking on in today's Gospel who associate being a king with political and military power? If the latter defines a king for us then, as for the onlookers in today's Gospel, the crucified Jesus is a contradiction of their expectations and hopes. Perhaps in this way they take revenge for the unfulfilled hopes they had placed in Him as a leader. Jesus is a king, but His rule concerns opening heaven to humanity. The power of His kingdom is love expressed through the complete gift of Himself. To enter His kingdom, not much is needed. It is enough to acknowledge that Jesus is the Saviour and to admit the painful truth about one's own sin and its consequences.

As we celebrate yet again the Feast of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

KING OF THE UNIVERSE it is good to reflect and ask the question 'is my life part of God's Kingdom? is my life lived with Jesus as my first point of reference - have I chosen Jesus as my Lord, my King'?

Turn my heart, Lord, so that I may trustingly entrust myself to Your goodness, that humble faith in You may open the way to heaven for me.



Please keep in your prayers those who are sick, housebound and those have requested prayers in our parish including Helen Smith, Liz Marney, Canon George, Mick Shephard, Mary Hart, Matthew Waters, Tony Kavanagh, Susan Dack, Dermott Lyons.

**The next 80 Club monthly draw** will take place on Saturday 29 November, after Mass at Seaton. Good luck!

### **Christmas Mass Times**

Christmas EveChristmas DayAxminsterCarols 5:30pm, Mass 6pmSeaton9:30amLyme Regis11pmLyme Regis11amAxminster11pmAxminster3pm

**Please also note** Sunday 28th December is celebrated as Holy Family and Sunday 5th January is celebrated as Epiphany (moved from Tuesday 6th January).

### Others Masses of the Christmas Octave will be:

26th December 12noon - Axminster (St Stephen)

27th December 10am - Axminster (St John)

29th December 12noon - Axminster (St Thomas Beckett)

30th December 7pm - Axminster 31st December 10am - Seaton

11pm - Axminster (end of year liturgy until Midnight)

1st January 12noon - Axminster