



**Our Lady of the Assumption & St Mary Magdalene
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2024 — FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)

(Readings: Jr 33:14-16 Ps 25 (24) 1 Th 3:12-4:2 Lk 21: 25-28.34-36)

Sunday 1st	First Sunday of Advent		
	9am	Mass	Int: Paul Lumley
Friday 29th	Advent Weekday		
	9.25am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
	10am	Mass	
Sunday 8th	Second Sunday of Advent		
	9am	Mass	Int: Jane and Martyn Lumley-Griffiths (Thanksgiving)

Sacrament of Reconciliation available after weekday Mass and on request.

A very warm welcome to all our Visitors

Please pray for ...

those whose anniversaries occur during November: Peter Meehan, William Collingwood, William Tucker, Agnes Lethbridge, Richard Olive, Frances Mills, Poyntz Edgell, Ann Campbell, Frederick Maggs, Joan Cole, Reginal Ellison, Brian Townsend, Patrick Cullen, Margaret Vosper & Michael Sibley.

the sick and/or housebound including: Kit Cook, Ian Kilpatrick, Roddy Meredith, Paul & Jan Demery, Geoff Luckman, Ian Wood, Audrey Campbell and Jean Rose.

Children's Liturgy today. Children under 4 years of age need to be supervised by a parent/carer.

Christmas stall on Sunday 8th December together with Christmas draw. Draw Tickets will be on sale again today. Any cakes or craft you can donate for any of these events will be much appreciated and any draw prizes, thank you.

SVP Christmas Cards are on sale at the back of the Church (next to the Bookcase).

Walk With Me Advent 2024 Booklets and Jubilee Advent calendars for the youth are available on the table at the back of the Church.

Sunday Missals—the new ones have arrived. If you ordered a Missal they cost £19.99 and you need to pay Ann Ruth, or use the Card Machine—"Sunday Missal".

Rosary Group at Our Lady of the Assumption. We meet at 6pm every Tuesday evening.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) meet the first Tuesday of the month, after the Rosary Group, at 18:30 at Our Lady of Assumption in the meeting room. The next meeting will be **Tuesday 3rd December**. Through our Community Support Projects and our 8,500 member strong Conferences, motivated by faith we help support the vulnerable, visit the lonely and much more. At the heart of our work, we make it our mission to be there, in-person for those who need us most. All are welcome! For more information please contact Angela 07834829960.

Christmas Flowers—If you would like to make a donation towards the Flowers for our Season of Christmastide this year you can do so by using the Card Machine or putting money in the pot provided. Any donation you can make would be gratefully received. Thank you.

The **Caritas Photography Project** aims to create a set of images of our Diocese which reflect our love for our neighbour and our care for creation. Caritas would like to see your photographs that depict your interpretation of the topic of Beauty. In this season there are so many changes of colour, and the weather throws different light across the outdoors. It is easy to find beautiful things in the outdoors to depict beauty, but there may be something inside our church buildings that encourage us to think about the beauty God has put us in charge of on this earth. Your church may have a beautiful stained-glass window or another artistic item depicting nature. It may be that you are blessed to have an artistic member of your congregation that brings the outdoors in, in the flower arrangements that they make or there may be certain times of the day when light casts a pool of sunshine across the altar or other special space. Caritas would love to see your photos, to share the wonderful ways in which you are drawn into deeper contemplation of God's beauty in this world. You can share your photos by following this link: [Jubilee Care for Creation Photography Project \(office.com\)](http://Jubilee Care for Creation Photography Project (office.com)) or email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

Alone at Christmas? TaviHelps Christmas lunch at the URC: Local Charity "TaviHelps" has asked Tavistock Area Christians Together to help publicise the Christmas lunch that they are hosting at the URC once again this year. Do you know someone who could be alone this Christmas and may like to share Christmas Day with others? TaviHelps warmly invites them to a Traditional Christmas turkey dinner with fun, friendship and music! Volunteers will happily pick up before 11.30 and take people home at around 2.30 There is no charge, but places are limited, so it is really important to book in advance. Please contact Judy Hirst of TaviHelps either by email: info@tavihelps.co.uk or by phone 07894 538131. *Thank you - Jackie Palmer - TACT sec.*

The **Christmas Tree Festival at St Eustachius** has opened—come along especially to see the tree created by our Craft Group. There are many other ways to contribute including helping take entry money or serve refreshments or baking some Christmas goodies that they can sell each day. There is a rota at the back of the St Eustachius Church if you can help.

Advent Retreat Day on Saturday 7th December 2024 at St Rita's Centre, Honiton. "JESUS IS COMING: WHY?" led by Fr. Jonathan Bielawski

The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. The talk will start at 10.00am. Post - talk questions – reflections will be at 11.05am. Adoration in silence (with an opportunity for Confession) will be at 12.00pm. Lunch will be served at 1pm. Holy Mass at 2.45pm. Depart at 3.30pm. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £25.00. Please see poster at the back of the church. Booking can be made by phone, email, or online ([ADVENT RETREAT DAY - "JESUS IS COMING: WHY?"](#)). Payment can be made on the day.

HCPT Westcountry - Advent Celebration Blessed Sacrament Church, Exeter – Sunday 8th December from 2.30pm. See poster at the back of the church.

Holy Cross, Yelverton are going to hold their annual Parish Christmas Dinner on Thursday 9th January at the Yelverton Golf Club again. Details to follow. If any Tavistock Parishioners wish to join us again, please let Ann Ruth know. Thank you.

Tavistock Peace Action Group will meet Tuesday, December 3rd at 7.30 pm in the United Reformed Church, Russell St., Tavistock. Everyone is welcome to join us.



Stay Awake, 5th April, 2025 - a day conference for all the family (Mass, Children's streams, Praise and Worship, Speakers, Workshops and pizza!). Venue: All Saints School in Weymouth. More details later! ALL WELCOME! Please save the date!

Tavistock Food Bank. For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: **Long life milk, Fruit Juice, Tea, Biscuits & Jam.** Thank you.

Loose: £108.88	Card £50	Collections: 24th November Standing Orders: £185	Mass Attendance: 83
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The **Parish Safeguarding Representative** is Darren Clarke - 07311 346522

Pope's Intentions for December—For Pilgrims of Hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.