

## PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B – 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER 2023

PLACE	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
<b>Modbury Efford</b>	Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	12.00 noon 5.00 pm	People of the Parish People of the Parish
<b>Plympton Ivybridge</b>	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	09.30am 11.30am	Janet Biddle's Intentions Ben Sharpe Hooper (RIP)
<b>Efford</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	Requiem Mass for Susan Williams
<b>Plympton</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	-	<b>NO EVENING MASS</b>
<b>Ivybridge</b>	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	Private Invitation
<b>Plympton</b>	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	Berni Roberts Intentions
<b>Modbury Efford</b>	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	12.00 noon 5.00 pm	- -
<b>Plympton Ivybridge</b>	Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	09.30am 11.30am	Catherine Leonard (RIP)

#### **Pope Francis Prayer Intention 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.

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

We shall be having **30mins** adoration before each weekday Mass. It is a good opportunity to have quiet time with the Lord.

#### **Confession**

Confessions are available after weekday Masses, or by request.

#### **Praying the Rosary for World Peace at Our Lady of Lourdes**

Join us at 9.30am on Fridays for Adoration and the Rosary followed with Mass at 10.00am. Tea and coffee will be served afterwards.

#### **For the sick**

Please pray for the sick and housebound in our parishes and for those who are particularly poorly at this time.

#### **For those who have died**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently died, especially Susan Williams, Christel Pryce and Paul Kenyon and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: - Marie Pidduck, Brendon Dowd, Victor Ripon, Michael Carter, Edward McSkeane, Mary Brown, Victor Houghton, Derek Bowden and Geoff Curtis. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

#### **Advent Retreat Day - "Prepare a way for the Lord" Faith and Works**

St Rita's Centre, Honiton, Devon Advent Retreat Day **Saturday 9th December** 2023: 9.30am – 4.00pm with Deacon Nick Johnson. Please see the poster for more information.

#### **Catholic Choir Advent Service**

You are warmly invited to join the Catholic Choir for their annual Advent Service in the annexe on **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December** at 7.00pm followed by refreshments.

#### **Diocesan Year Books**

The 2024 Year Books are available at the back of the church. They are free of charge this year.

## Light the Candle

The Tamar Lay Dominican Fraternity will be holding their 7th 'Light a Candle' event at Christ the King. Come and visit the beautiful Nativity scene and light a candle for a loved one. A great chance to engage children and grandchildren in the real meaning of Christmas. We are open from 6 pm on **Thursday 7th, 14th and 21st December**. On **7<sup>th</sup> of December at 5.30pm** the group will be joined by the Lighthouse worship group to offer a beautiful Mass. All are welcome to come and join us as part of the preparations of advent as we journey towards Christmas.

## Collections for Christmas Flowers

There will be a collection at **Plympton, Ivybridge and Modbury** for flowers for Christmas on the weekend of **16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December**. Many thanks in anticipation of your support.

## PLYMPTON

### Walk with Me

Join us on Wednesday mornings at 10.30am for an **Advent Journey of Prayer**. We use the 'Walk with Me' booklets that are now available at the back of the church (suggested donation £1 each). You will also find free Advent Calendars for the children.

## Christmas raffle – all proceeds to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Funds

Tickets for our Christmas Raffle are **on sale now - £1 per strip**. If you would like to **donate a raffle prize**, you will find a list at the back of the church for you to add your name to the prize you wish to donate. The raffle will be held in the annexe after the **Carols Service on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**. (Please put all raffle prizes on the table at the back of the church). Thank you for your support.

## Giving to Charity in Lieu of Christmas cards

Donations made to the Crib are given to the Plymouth Catholic Children's Society. This year, instead of sending individual cards, you may wish to give to this charity (via the crib donations). There will be a list for names at the back of the church if this is something you would like to do. Nearer the time, a joint Christmas message will be published on behalf of those taking part.

## Sing-a-long afternoon

We are excited to invite you to the first of our new monthly 'Sing-a-long' afternoons, beginning with well-known Christmas songs on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** from 2pm. You are welcome to bring a friend, neighbour or someone you know who lives alone or who needs company. These social afternoons will be free of charge. We hope you will come.

## Sewing Group Christmas Sale

The Sewing/Craft group will be holding their Christmas sale in the annexe after Mass on **Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> December**. All proceeds go to Parish funds.

## Ecumenical Advent Service

The Catholic Women's League is hosting an **Advent Service** at Our Lady of Lourdes at 11am on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023**. Take time out for an hour of Hymns and readings followed by light refreshment in the Annexe. Everyone is warmly invited.

## CWL Christmas Coffee Morning

Come along to our annual Christmas coffee morning with mince pies being held in the Annexe **on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December**. Get an early bargain with a table of lovely new gifts to purchase. We look forward to seeing you there.

## IVYBRIDGE

### **CWL Grand Christmas Raffle and Produce Stall – after Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December.**

Tickets on sale after Mass this weekend. All proceeds to St. Austin's Priory Parish Funds.

Priest-in-charge: **Fr Victor Agbaka**

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