

Parish of The Holy Spirit, Bovey Tracey & Saint Cyprian, Ugbrooke W E L C O M E

Part of the R.C. Diocese of Plymouth. Charity Number 213227



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Bovey Tracey, Devon, TQ13 9BY.



Your nearest AED:

Automated External Defibrillator is located on the top shelf of the server's wardrobe in the Sacristy.

Accessibility: - Please ask the Welcome Group if disabled access is required.

- The Holy Spirit, Bovey Tracey is fully accessible via a ramp at the side of the church and disabled toilet in the hall.
- Our Church has a loop system.

SUNDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2025 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year A			
Sunday	30 NOVEMBER	9.00am Mass, 9.00am	Bovey Tracey (People of the Parish) Mass, Ugbrooke
Monday	1 DECEMBER	NO MASS	
Tuesday	2 DECEMBER	10.00am	(Christopher Leete RIP)
Wednesday	3 DECEMBER	NO MASS	
Thursday	4 DECEMBER	NO MASS	
Friday	5 DECEMBER	NO MASS	
Saturday	6 DECEMBER	NO MASS	
Sunday	7 DECEMBER	9.00am 9.00am	Mass, Bovey Tracey Mass, Ugbrooke (People of the Parish)

ADVENT: TODAY sees the beginning of the season of Advent, a time of preparation for the celebration of the birthday of Christ Our Saviour. It is a time when the Lord calls us at the beginning of Advent to a renewed level of spiritual attentiveness.

TEA, COFFEE AND CAKE IN THE PARISH HALL AFTER MASS

on the **FIRST Sunday** of every month. Do come along we need your company.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS OUR SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Michael and Penelope Crawford, Ronald Asbury, Nick Martin, Samuel Horton, Pamela Lekis, Elizabeth Newton, Chelsea Fowler, Peter Dowse, Adriene O'Mara, Jean Humphrey, Jill Huish, Claire Bovill, Marian Chmiel, Nancy Macpherson, Christine & John Horton, Sam Griffiths, Reg Gregory, Fr Pat Costello, Maureen Biggins and please remember in our prayers all the priests in our diocese who are ill. At this time, we remember both those who are suffering with the coronavirus and those looking after them.

NEW CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION: We are taking a retiring collection in Bovey Tracey next Sunday 7th December to help towards the cost of decorating the Churches beautifully over the season of Christmas.

NEW CHURCH CLEAN FOR CHRISTMAS 16th December after 10am Mass. Any help would be much appreciated.

WALK WITH ME booklets, a journey of prayer for Advent and Christmas with a thought for each day through to the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord are available at the back of the Church (cost £1). Please place your donation in the wall box marked publications, thank you.

NEW SAINTS OF THE WEEK: 30th November: St Andrew (Apostle and Martyr) He was the brother of St Peter whom he introduced to Jesus. Subsequently Jesus called both of them to leave their father's fishing business and follow them to become "Fishers of Men". Patron of Scotland, Greece, Russia and fishermen.

6th **December: St Nicholas (d.350)** The historic St Nicholas was Bishop of Myra (in modern Turkey) who was arrested during the Great Persecution under the Emperor Diocletian but subsequently released. It is claimed that he later attended the Council of Nicaea (325) but this is disputed. He became famous for giving alms to people in need, secretly. It is this that led to the legends associating St Nicholas with Christmas and he became known as Santa Claus. Patron saint of sailors, merchants, archers, repentant thieves, children, brewers, pawnbrokers and, in some places, of students.

ADVENT FESTIVAL AT ST MARY AND ST GEORGE CHURCH, TOTNES, Station Road, Totnes, TQ9 5HW. **Saturday 6th December:** **10:30am: Performance by the *Berry Pomeroy Handbell Ringers* **3:00pm: Music from *Gemstones*, a chamber wind group **Hot drinks and cakes will be available.

Sunday 7th December: **9:30am: Parish Mass **3:00pm: *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. Everyone is warmly invited to come along and join in the festive fun! If you're interested in having a stall on either day, please contact the parish office at totnes@prcdtr.org.uk. We are supporting The Red Cross (Plymouth), CAFOD and Rowcroft Hospice.

RESIDENTIAL RETREAT FOR TEENS "I was a stranger and you invited me in" Matt 23:35: A Teenage Retreat taking place on 23-25 January 2026, East Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor. It is designed to give young people a chance to step back from the busyness of daily life, explore their faith, enjoy fellowship with others their age, and take part in guided reflection, prayer, and activities. A contribution of £50 to help with costs. For more information contact Saskia, youth@prcdtr.org.uk

UNBOUND PRAYER MINISTRY is available in this Diocese. If you feel in need of freedom and inner healing through prayer, and desire a deeper relationship with Jesus, we have ministers trained to help you. Please contact unboundprayerdop@gmail.co.uk or see the poster displayed for more info.

NEW CHRISTMAS SERVICES - a mistake was made in last weeks' newsletter, Mass will be at 11am at Holy Spirit, Bovey Tracey on Christmas Day, not 9am.

Wednesday 24th December - Vigil of Christmas

5:30 Children's Mass – St Joseph

8:30 Christmas Carols – St Joseph

9:00pm Midnight Mass – St Joseph

8:00pm Midnight Mass – St Cyprian, Ugbrooke

Thursday 25th December – The Nativity of the Lord

 $9.00 am - St\ Gregory$

11:00 - Holy Spirit

11:00 – St Joseph

FOR AN APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH FR ANTHONY OR FR GEORGE

please contact St Joseph's Parish Office 01626 365231 or email newtonabbot@prcdtr.org.uk

COLLECTIONS: for September – Loose: £454.15, Standing Orders: £1551 *Thank you to all who contribute so generously.*

SAFEGUARDING: Our parish Safeguarding Representative is Marian Lancaster: if you have any enquiries or concerns about Safeguarding, please contact Marian in confidence on 07761 058653. The Diocese of Plymouth's Safeguarding Team is available on 01364 645430 or by email on safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk

SAFE SPACES: The Safe Spaces team is there for those who have experienced church-related abuse of any kind through its helpline and live chat service between Mon-Fri 9am-9pm, Saturday 9am-1pm & Sunday 1pm-5pm.

Tel: 0300 303 1056, Email: safespaces@firstlight.org.uk, LiveChat: www.SafeSpacesEnglandandWales.org.uk, Website: www.SafeSpacesEnglandandWales.org.uk,

