

PLYMOUTH EAST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A – 14th December 2025

Efford	Saturday 13th December	5:00pm	The Kingswell & Shanahan Family – Foundation Mass
Plympton	Sunday 14th December	9:00am 11:00am	Private Intention Private Intention
Plympton	Tuesday 16th December	7:00pm	Fr. Shaun Budden (RIP)
Ivybridge	Thursday 18th December	10:00am	Fr. John Buckley (RIP)
Plympton	Friday 19th December	10:00am	Jane and Gary Driscoll's Intention
Efford	Saturday 20th December	5:00pm	Louise May and Edward Coleman (RIP)
Plympton	Sunday 21st December	9:00am 11:00am	Ann Miller – For her Birthday Nigel John Gillard (RIP)

The Pope's Prayer Intention for December – For Christians in areas of conflict – Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

ADORATION for 30 minutes before weekday Mass. Join us for this opportunity to have quiet time with the Lord.

CONFESIONS are available after weekday Mass, or by request. **Christmas Confessions** at Efford 13th December after Mass

ROSARY every Wednesday morning at 10.30am and evening at 7pm at Plympton.

FAITH CHAT Every Thursday after 10am Mass at Ivybridge

BIBLE STUDY Every Monday at 11 am at the Priory. New members welcome.

For the sick

Please pray for the sick & housebound in our parishes and for those who are particularly poorly at this time. Please especially pray for Helen Furlong, Brian Nolan, Nicki McDougal, Alan Schaffert, and Mary Ripo who are unwell.

For those who have died Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently, especially Patrick Barrett, Peter York, Barbara Jackman, Paul Watson, Maggie Langmaid, Paul Bowen-Davies and Jo Cotter, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bernard Tonkin, Margaret Campion, Peter Cahill, Susan Williams, Christine Anne Blackler, Margaret Hamlet, Margaret Bullock, Margaret Miles and Brian Ilbrey.

PLYMPTON

Patrick Barrett (RIP) Patrick Barrett, who was a member of our parish for many years, sadly passed away on 9th December. Please keep Patrick and his family in your prayers.

Christmas Party The Christmas Party is now FULL! We really look forward to seeing all of those who have put their names down for the party. **Please note that the party will actually begin at 6pm and not 7pm as it says on the posters.**

Poinsettia Plant Donations We are hoping to **fill our church with Poinsettia plants this Christmas**. Please **bring your plant** along on Sunday 21st December. We currently have four and, ideally, we need another sixteen! Your support is very much appreciated.

Charity “Christmas Card” List There is a list at the back of the church, which you can write your name on to wish everyone a Merry Christmas if you are intending to make a donation to charity in lieu of sending cards this year.

Maria’s Marathon Update Thank you to everyone who attended the Quiz night to raise money for Maria who is running the London Marathon next year in aid of CAFOD. The quiz raised £315.00 and Maria has now exceeded her £2,200.00 pledge. Please keep Maria in your prayers as she continues her marathon training.

Cathedral Carol Service Nine lessons and carols at the Cathedral on Sunday 21st December at 3.00pm. A Celebration of the coming of the Messiah and the Incarnation, including all the best loved carols.

Date for diary we are hosting a **Safeguarding training event** on Saturday 17th January in Our Lady of Lourdes Church Annexe from 10am-15:30pm, with a break for lunch. This will cover safeguarding for both children and adults. Everyone in the parish is welcome to come along. All volunteers are encouraged to attend. This face to face training will fulfil the training requirement that is now stipulated to have been completed before commencing /continuing a role with vulnerable groups. The alternative option is completing an online safeguarding training module. Everyone is welcome to attend whether you are a volunteer or not. Please bring along a packed lunch to eat, refreshments will be provided.

IVYBRIDGE

Thank you Our CWL's raffle and produce stall raised £253.55 for parish funds. A big thank you to everyone who contributed in any way.

Used Postage Stamps Don't forget to keep them and deposit them in the big orange box in the parish room for CCSP. Every little helps!

Lost Property We have five jackets in lost property. If you are missing a garment please taken a look to see if one of them belongs to you!



EFFORD

Parish Whatsapp Group After the in-house parish council meeting at Efford last Saturday, it was suggested that we create a parish What's App Group. The main purpose would be to let people know when there is no Mass at Efford, but it could also be used to share other parish information if necessary. If you would like to join this group please speak to Simon.

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