## Diary

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| Weds. 18th | 10.30am | CAMEO meets at Holy Spirit Church |
| | 11am | Holy Communion (BCP) at St. Mary's |
| | 7pm | Bellringing Practice at St. Mary's |
| Thu. 19th | 10am | Holy Communion (CW) at Holy Spirit |
| Fri. 20th | 4.30pm | Rainbows meets at Holy Spirit Church |
| | 5.4pm | Brownies meets at Holy Spirit Church |
| | **N.B.** | No Choir Practice at St. Mary's Church |

## Notices

**1. Family Services.** The monthly Family Services at St. Mary's, 'Catch the 9.15!', are on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The next one is today, Sunday 15th November. At Holy Spirit the All-Age Worship services are usually on the first Sunday of each month at 11am. The next one is on Sunday 6th December.

**2. PCC Meetings.** The next meeting of the PCC at Holy Spirit is at 7pm on Wednesday 25th November. The next meeting of the PCC at St. Mary's is at 7pm on Tuesday 12th January 2027.

**3. Tabletop Sale.** The next monthly Tabletop Sale at The Church of The Holy Spirit is this Saturday, 14th November, from 1pm – 3pm. Please contact Liz Nicholls on **07719959391** or email **liznicholls@blueyonder.co.uk** for more information.

**4. Easy Fundraising.** Don't forget, when shopping on-line, to use **www.easyfundraising.org.uk** to raise some extra money for St. Mary's at no cost to yourself. We now have **32** people supporting us who have raised **£984.04** so far!
Ask Andy King for more details. **(07708590704)**

**5. Church News.** If you would like to be added to (or removed from) the weekly mailing list to receive the Church News and other messages via email, or to submit queries or notices for the Church News, please contact **andyk2802@gmail.com** .

## Next Sunday — 22nd November 2026
## Sunday Next Before Advent — CHRIST THE KING

**St. Mary's:**

**N.B.** **No morning service at St. Mary's today**

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| 6.30pm | Evensong (BCP)<br>2 Samuel 23: 1 – 7, | Andy King<br>Matthew 28: 16 – end |

**Holy Spirit:**

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| 10am | Holy Communion (CW)<br>Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16, 20 – 24<br>Ephesians 1: 15 – end, | **Team Service**<br><br>Matthew 25: 31 - end |


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# Church News

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**Tamerton Foliot & Southway Team Ministry**

## 15th November 2026
## 2nd Sunday Before Advent

## Today's Services

### St. Marys



9.15am Catch The 9.15!
Matthew 25: 14 - 29

6.30pm Evening Prayer
1 Kings 1: 15 – 40, Revelation 1: 4 - 18
(CAHON) 487, 264, 205, 74

### Holy Spirit

11am Holy Communion (CW)
Zephaniah 1: 1, 7, 12 – 18,
1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 11, Matthew 25: 14 - 30

As we draw near to the end of the Church Year, and look forward to Advent and the start of a new one, we are reminded of the ultimate purpose of our lives, to become like Jesus Christ in His glorious Kingdom. This is only possible because Christ has destroyed the works of the devil and made us the children of God and heirs of eternal life.

## Collect

***Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Please remember in your prayers this week:

**Those living in:** Honeyford Close, Delgany Drive, Delgany View, Delgany Villas, Hurrell Close, Law Walk, Medland Crescent, Pethick Close, Blackall Gardens, Hornbrook Gardens, Cann Gardens, Middlefield Road, Bampfylde Way, Bonville Road, Rockfield Avenue, Alderney Road, Tresco Gardens, Flamborough Road, Hendwell Close, Inchkeith Road, Longstone Avenue, Norris Drive, Pendeen Crescent, Goodwin Avenue, Agatha Close, Pendeen Close, Flamborough Way, Magnus Close, Skerries Road.

**11am Holy Communion (CW)** N.R.S.V.

## *First Reading* **Zephaniah 1: 1, 7, 12 – 18**

[1] The word of the Lord that came to Zephaniah son of Cushi son of Gedaliah son of Amariah son of Hezekiah, in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah.
[7] Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.
[12] At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.' [13] Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. [14] The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. [15] That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, [16] a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. [17] I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. [18] Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

## *Second Reading* **1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 11**

[1] Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; [5] for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. [6] So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; [7] for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11] Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

## *Gospel Reading* **Matthew 25: 14 – 30**

[14] 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; [15] to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. [16] The one who had received the five talents **(Continued on Insert)**

**Notices**

### Coffee, Cake and Chat

A Community Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month in St. Mary's Church Hall from 10.30am to 12pm. It is a chance for anyone to come along for a coffee, some cake and a chat. The next one is on Tuesday 1st December.

### CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other)

Cameo meets for Bible Study on Wednesdays at The Church of The Holy Spirit, at 10.30am. This week, 18th, we shall be starting our advent course entitled Advent of the Saviour and beginning with Isaiah's prophecy. All are welcome to join us.

### Lynher Singers Concert 12th December

The Lynher Singers (formerly the Sterts Singers) are returning to St. Mary's for their annual concert on Saturday 12th December at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £5 and will be available on the door, from Pat Eyres in church on Sunday mornings or via email at **pateyres@talk21.com** .
The choir will sing a variety of songs including some Christmas favourites, and there will be mince pies and mulled wine available.
Please spread the word among friends and neighbours!

### Tamerton Foliot United Charities

Applications to the Tamerton Foliot United Charities need to be received by today, Sunday 15th November 2026.

### Operation Christmas Child

Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child need to be returned to both Churches by today, Sunday 15th November. Please let Andy King know if you have completed any online shoeboxes so we can keep count of our totals. **andyk2802@gmail.com** or **07708590704**. Thank you.

### Deanery Synod Meetings

Dates of Deanery Synod meetings for 2027 have been confirmed as:

2nd February – Stoke Damerel Church
16th June – St Simon's Church, Mount Gould
14th October – St Mary's, Tamerton Foliot

### Christmas Cards – Advance Notice

It will soon be Advent again and at St. Mary's we will be running the scheme whereby those who wish to do so can put a single Christmas greetings card on the notice board in Church to all their friends at St. Mary's, whilst pledging to the Shelterbox charity the money that they would have spent (or more!) on numerous cards. The notice board by the font will be available from Advent Sunday, 29th November, together with pledge slips and Gift Aid forms. Please give generously; there are currently many parts of the world where Shelterbox aid is desperately needed. Thank you.