Readings Sunday 22nd November
Christ the King
The Sunday next before Advent
First reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24
Second reading: Ephesians 1:15-end
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-end.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Thursday 19th November: **St Mary's, Brixham:** 9.30am: *Mummy and Me*
Friday 20th November: **Barn Hall :**
9.15-11.15am: *Stay and Play*

Saturday 21st November: **Barn Hall, Galmpton**
11am-1.30pm: *Christmas Fayre*

Saturday 28th November : **Scala Hall, Brixham:**
10am-2pm: *All Saints' at Christmas Market*

Saturday 28th November: **All Saints', Lower Brixham:** 10am-1pm: *Church decorating, coffee and soup lunch*

Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th November: **Barn Hall, Galmpton :** 9.30am - 3.30pm*: Artists Open Days. Display and sale of paintings, cards and gifts, by local artists. All are welcome.*

THE GRAPEVINE
15th November 2026
Safeguarding Sunday
Second Sunday before Advent

Collect
Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First reading: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-end

S**econd reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30
'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward,

bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

All Saints', Lower Brixham: Jacky Walker, Lindsay Hobart.

St Mary's, Brixham: Rev'd Ken and Val Dixon, Helen and Sarah Kelly, Judy Jolly, Paul Oxenbury, Robin Hale, Jodie Cantel, Paul Upchurch.

St Mary the Virgin, Churston: Derek Knowles, Jo and David Lambert, Geoff Gadsby, Mike Teale, Philip Dodwell, Eric Smith, Jamie, Val and Derek Brown, Vicki Sheen, Sandra Marley, Mike O'Nions, Pete and Nic Walbrin.

St Thomas of Canterbury, Kingswear: Christine Abdilla; Stela Krumova.

SERVICES for this week:

Monday 16th November: **St Mary's, Brixham:** 9am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 17th November: **All Saints', Lower Brixham:** 10am Eucharist

Wednesday 18th November : **St Mary's, Brixham:** 10.30am Eucharist

Sunday November 22nd

Christ the King

Second Sunday before Advent

All Saints', Lower Brixham: 9.30am Eucharist

St Mary's, Brixham: 8.45am Eucharist 11am Service of the Word

St Mary's, Churston: 10am Intergenerational Worship

St Thomas, Kingswear: 10.30am Eucharist

B**arn, Galmpton:** 8.45am Eucharist

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 16th November: **Scala Hall, Brixham:** 1.30pm: *Brixham Does Care Tea Dance*