

# Whats On @ Christmas

## Online events and activities December 2020

**Connect with your community virtually, throughout December! Just because we can't be together, doesn't mean we can't celebrate. Take a look at our guide to some of the local and national activities available online, to get you in the festive spirit, or support your wellbeing.**



**Although Christmas may look a little different this year there are still things going on that you can get involved! Here are just some of the activities taking place throughout December:**

### **South West Carols**

Don't miss SOUTH WEST CAROLS on 5th & 6th December, 7pm, with thousands of others around the region tuning in.

A LIVE online event with headline and regional musical performances including Wildwood Kin, London Community Gospel Choir, Lucy Grimble, Exeter Cathedral Choir and a South West Nativity with over 30 schools across the region taking part, and more.



Watch at [www.southwestcarols.com](http://www.southwestcarols.com)

Facebook and YouTube <https://www.facebook.com/events/275451700565074>



### **Festive Treats Cook-along**

Alan Tilley from Turning Heads shows us how to make some delicious Christmas treats in his how to videos.

Set your oven to gas mark Christmas and let Alan talk you through how to make these easy Christmas classics.

Videos can be found at:

<https://www.turningheads.org.uk/cooking/>

## **That'll Be The Day Christmas Special**

**Saturday 5th December 7pm-10pm**

That'll Be The Day's Rock & Roll Christmas show has been running for over thirty years. In these crazy times, whilst the show is unable to tour, we are very excited to offer you the chance to see the brand new Christmas show in the comfort of your own home. Book in advance via Theatre Royal Plymouth. Tickets are £12.99

<http://www.thatllbetheday.events/theatres/theatre->



## **Carols in the Kitchen**

**Sunday 13th December 6pm**

Hosted by Fiona Bruce, this concert will include many of our favourite Christmas celebrations. Carols to sing along with, fabulous readings from Keeley Hawes, James Norton, Sue Perkins, Stanley Tucci and Dominic West, as well as musical performances from Lulu, Soprano Ellie Laugharne and internationally renowned Baritone Roderick Williams OBE.

Book your free ticket at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/carols-in-the-kitchen-tickets-118281480091>



## **Carols on the Doorstep**

**Sunday 20th December 5:30pm**

Whether you would like to stand out on your doorstep or just listen over the radio, join in with this wonderful carol service. Download and print the Carol sheet and invitation from:

[Www.premierchristianradio.com](http://www.premierchristianradio.com)

Tune your radio to Premier Radio or Freeview 725 to sing along. For more information go to:

[Www.facebook.com/CarolsOnTheDoorstep](http://Www.facebook.com/CarolsOnTheDoorstep)





## **Riviera Life Church Seasonal Services**

Throughout December, you will be able to join in with Sunday services and carol service celebrations at Riviera Life Church in Torquay!

All services are online through Facebook, YouTube and Riviera Life Church's website.

For more information go to [rivieralife.co.uk](http://rivieralife.co.uk)

## **Carols at The Edge**

Friday 18th December at 6pm sees the coming together of generations, as Brixham-based Music At The Edge bring you a carol service over on their Facebook page!

Search Music at the Edge on Facebook for more info:

<https://www.facebook.com/MusicAtTheEdge1>



## **Furrough Cross Church Carols**

Sunday 20th December at 6:30pm Furrough Cross Church will be hosting a Zoom Carol Service. If you would like to receive the link then contact Rev Heather Cadoux— [revheathercadoux@gmail.com](mailto:revheathercadoux@gmail.com) or 01803 310156

## **Wreath Making Workshop**

**Thursday 17th & Friday 18th December 10am**

Why not try your hand at making your own Christmas Wreath this year with the fabulous guys at Torre Abbey. Includes a kit with all you need to make the wreath and an online tutorial, ideal for individuals or for a group. Kits cost £12.50 . For more info go to:

<https://torre-abbey-museum.arttickets.org.uk/>



## **Online Festive Ballet**

**Thursday 17th December 7pm**

Emily Dance is pleased to be hosting an online Christmas ballet special full of your favourite festive tunes and steps. All adults are welcome, whether you are new to ballet or have danced before, come and have some fun!

Tickets are £4.90

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-festive-adult-ballet-tickets-129556642405>

## **Borough Market's Festive Kitchen**

**Wednesdays and Fridays through December**

Festive Kitchen has been created to share one of Christmas's greatest pleasures—family and friends gathering in the warmth of the kitchen to chat and prepare food. A stellar cast of chefs and food experts will be hosting cookalongs, sharing Christmas cookery tips and sparkling conversation—all streamed live from Borough Market's Festive Kitchen on its Christmas Facebook channel.

Watch free on Facebook:

[Www.facebook.com/BoroughMarket](https://www.facebook.com/BoroughMarket)





### Eat That Frog—Christmas Crafts

Whether it's card making, cookie making or wanting to try your hand at shadow box making; get creative this Christmas with the guys at Eat That Frog! Quotes available for those not eligible for free sessions.

Call 01803 551551

Email: [info@eatthatfrog.ac.uk](mailto:info@eatthatfrog.ac.uk)

[www.eatthatfrog.ac.uk](http://www.eatthatfrog.ac.uk)

### St.Mags Torquay

Join in with a host of Christmas services this year all via Facebook!

**Carols from the Spire—12th December 10am and 7pm**

**Christingle Service—24th December 4pm**

**Christmas Eve Carol Service—24th December 7pm**

**Christmas Eve Midnight Carols—24th December 11:15pm**

**Christmas Day—25th December 10am**

<https://www.facebook.com/stmarymagdalene.torquay>

All services will then be uploaded to YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/stmarymagdalenes>

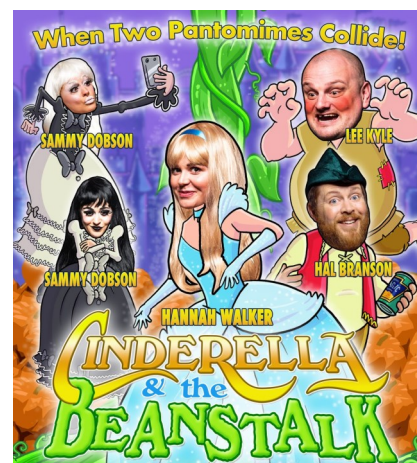
### Cinderella and The Beanstalk

**Presented by The Stand Comedy Club**

**Sunday 20th December 3pm**

The regular panto team of Hal Branson, Hannah Walker, Lee Kyle and Sammy Dobson are back with an updated live family friendly panto! Watch FREE on YouTube:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mBj\\_tzgpFZM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mBj_tzgpFZM)







### **Torbay Christmas Trail**

Residents from all over Torbay are invited to contribute to a shared effort to light up the Bay for Christmas. All those who wish to take part can register online via the website, the map will then be released for others to visit all the houses and shops that are joining in. There is even an opportunity to receive free lights, pop us and decorations for your display.

Think creative; you could use any visible space of your flat, house, business, boat, education setting, any of your outside space, or even the whole front of a building. Displays could include words from your favourite carols, poems, hymns, you could paint on windows with hand prints, or light up the garden, get crafty with recycled items, it could be a dance, puppet show, drama piece or projections, even musical festive cheers (just ask the neighbours first). The opportunities are endless!

To register to be a part of the trail please head to:

<https://torbaychristmastrail.webador.co.uk/>

Why not join the growing Facebook Group to share ideas and workshops on crafting and making:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2747305242264514>

### **Yoga and Meditation**

Join the brilliant Victoria for some gentle yoga and meditation, suitable for beginners or those with less mobility—you can even join in from your chair. A perfect way to unwind!

**10:30am-11:15am**

Tues 8th, Fri 11th, Tues 15th and Fri 18th Dec

All videos will be posted on:

<https://www.facebook.com/YESBrixham>



### **The Mindfulness Association's Let's Sit Together**

**Mon-Fri throughout December 10:30am and 7pm**

30 minute guided meditations led by one of the tutors, followed by the chance to chat over a cuppa afterwards. Do join us, any or everyday for a nourishing practice and the sense of connection and togetherness, whatever else is happening. Join online, no booking needed and it's FREE!

<https://www.mindfulnessassociation.net/latest-news/free-daily-online-meditation/>

### **Torbay Healthy Lifestyles Team—Live Styles**

**Anytime**

Watch live or later, and join in as Andy, Elaine and Dee guide you through different exercise sessions for people of any ability—from “sit and get fit” chair exercise, Tai Chi, and Pilates, to HIIT and circuit sessions

All videos are free to view

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/255374571671630/648390249217331>





CARE HOMES ONLY



**FOR CARE HOMES ONLY!**

A Christmas Carol – The Old Vic Theatre. Matthew Warchus' big-hearted, smash hit production of Charles Dickens' immortal classic *A Christmas Carol* returns to our stage this year, to be performed live from our auditorium and streamed to homes across the world.

We want to bring *A Christmas Carol* to as many people as possible this year and want to particularly recognise those who are disproportionately affected by the pandemic. We are therefore proud to announce **that all UK care homes\* will be offered a free link** to view the performance so that residents and staff may enjoy the production together.

<https://www.oldvictheatre.com/join-in/for-adults/free-tickets-for-care-homes>

**Be quick! Deadline is 7<sup>th</sup> December.**

## Useful information



### Torbay Together

Ever thought about volunteering? Want to know more about time banking? Want to find out more about activities in your area or just looking for information? Torbay Together, brought to you by the Torbay Community Development Trust is there to help you find and share activities, information and skills in Torbay.

To find out more head to:

[www.torbaytogether.org.uk](http://www.torbaytogether.org.uk)

### Torbay Help Hub

The Torbay Community Help Hub is the public facing information dissemination outlet in Torbay during the Covid-19 outbreak. Working with Torbay Council, Torbay Community Development Trust, and local businesses and organisations.

Website: [www.torbayhelphub.com](http://www.torbayhelphub.com)

Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/torbaycommunityhelphub](https://www.facebook.com/torbaycommunityhelphub)

Facebook Group: [www.facebook.com/groups/262909191385561](https://www.facebook.com/groups/262909191385561)

### Torbay Community Helpline

Need support? Want to volunteer? The Torbay Community Helpline is there to help.



01803 446022

Mon-Fri 10am-6pm and Saturday 9:30am-12:30pm

Online form available at:

[www.bit.ly/torbayhelpline](http://www.bit.ly/torbayhelpline)

Christmas opening: From 21st Dec—3rd Jan 10am-2pm Mon-Thurs