

ANNOUNCEMENTS for the SOLEMNITY of CHRIST the KING

Good morning and welcome to our guests and visitors. Please bear with us as we have many announcements this morning:

1. Tomorrow, the last Monday of the month, we will have Eucharist at 6:00 PM at Santo António in Atalaia.
2. Next Sunday, we will begin the new liturgical year with the 1st Sunday of Advent. That day, we will have “Afternoons with Mary” at 5:00 PM in the Igreja do Carmo. It is an hour of formation and prayer before 6:00 PM Mass.
3. On Monday, December 2nd, at 8:30 PM, in the Church of Santo António, we will begin Bible School (in Portuguese). Everyone is invited to take part. Bring your Bible and notebook.
4. On Saturday, December 7th, we will hold a Pastoral Council in the morning.
5. On Sunday, December 8th, the 2nd Sunday of Advent, we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, in Conceição, with Mass at 2:30 PM, followed by a procession in the city.
6. We have started celebrating Eucharist in the Church of Cabanas, in the area of the mortuary chapel. We have Eucharist there every Wednesday at 6:00 PM.
7. As you leave today, considering buying a piece of cake or pastry from the youth of the church. They are raising money for a pilgrimage to Rome.
8. Confessions during Advent at the Church of Santiago will be on the 20th of December from 7:00 to 9:00 PM and on the 21st of December from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.
9. Each Sunday during Advent, we welcome one family and their children to light the Advent candles immediately prior to Mass. Please see one of the greeters if your family would like to volunteer.
10. Restoration work on the side doors of the church is now underway. We hope that the new doors for the main entrance will also be a reality within the next few weeks. Bishop Dom and Fr. Miguel offer their thanks to you for the help we have received for these improvements to our Church. We have reached the last week of the matching funds campaign and there are still matching funds available. Please note on your donation that it is for this project.
11. The English community of the parish will have a meeting on Thursday, December 12th at Mira Restaurante at 7:30 PM. Further details are in the WhatsApp group of the community. Please respond by December 6th if you

plan to attend using the poll in the group or let one of the greeters know. The meeting is an opportunity for the community to share ideas and hear an update on the parish.

12. In order to have sufficient low gluten wafers at communion, please let one of the greeters know prior to Mass that you require this service. We apologize if you are unable to receive a low gluten wafer, but we do not have additional wafers available beyond the requested number.
13. If you would like to join the lay ministries at this Mass and serve as a lector, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, greeter, help with the collections, or assist us in adding music to the Mass, please see one of the greeters or contact Rob de Santos on WhatsApp. Previous experience is not required. Instructions will be provided if necessary.
14. These announcements are posted to the [English community of the Parish](#) on WhatsApp and to our Facebook group, the [English Community - Tavira Parish](#) and now on englishcommunitytavira.org, our new website. Please see one of the greeters for more information.