

**NEXT SUNDAY 12 JANUARY 2020
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**



Readings: Acts 10: 34-43
Matthew 3: 13-end

8 am HOLY COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Marisa Cockfield
Preacher: Rev'd Marisa Cockfield

10 am COFFEE AND CROISSANT before ..
10.30 am ALL AGE SERVICE
led by Rev'd Marisa and AA Team

11.30 am HOLY COMMUNION
Rev'd Marisa Cockfield

BIDEFORD PARISH BULLETIN

Part of the Mission Community of
Bideford, Landcross, Littleham, Monkleigh
and Weare Giffard

Our Purpose:
TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

Monday 6 January, Epiphany

Ps 72: 10-15; Eph 3: 1-12; Matt 2: 1-12

Tuesday 7 January

1 John 3: 22-4: 6; Ps 2: 7-end; Matt 4: 12-17,
23-end

10.30 am Communion, M U Corporate,
Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

Wednesday 8 January

Ps 46; Jer 30: 1-17; Matt 20: 17-28

Thursday 9 January

Ps 148; Jer 30: 18-31: 9; Matt 20: 29-end

Friday 10 January

Ps 149; Jer 31: 10-17; Matt 23: 1-12

Saturday 11 January

Ps 150; Jer 33: 14-end; Matt 23: 13-28
8 am Prayers

**SUNDAY 5 JANUARY 2020
SECOND AFTER CHRISTMAS
PLOUGH SUNDAY**

WELCOME! Please stay for tea or coffee
after the service—we would love to chat
with you.

If you don't normally take
communion but would like God's blessing,
please come up to the altar rail bringing
this bulletin. Alcohol free wine is available
at the 10 am service: please go to the right
hand side of the altar and then ask the
chalice administrator. Gluten free
wafers are also available on request before
the service.

This morning's preacher at the 8 am and
10 am services is Rev'd Niccy Hunt.

Tonight's service is Evensong at 7 pm

Tomorrow, **Monday 6 January**, there will
be a **Holy Communion Epiphany Service**
at 7 pm at St Mary's Church.

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The next Coffee and Communion will be
tomorrow, Mon 6 Jan 10.30 for 11 am at
Pine Lodge, Slade, Bideford - the home of
Chris and Mary Hall (at the top of
Northdown Rd.) Any queries please ring
me 477117. welcome. Many thanks Lorna



St Mary's has two prayer lines. Each one has a group of about 10-12 people who commit to praying for a list of people each day, all with differing needs. Some people prefer to remain anonymous so just an initial is used. It is done in complete confidence and anyone can ask to be prayed for or ask for another person to be prayed for. We communicate by email so that "pray-ers" can be notified quickly about urgent prayers. This is separate from the list of people to be prayed for on the bulletin. Contact the church office or Pattie on 01237 476501/07984937179
 morrispattie59@gmail.com

Please pray for those people living in:

- Monday: Southolm Tce, South View Tce
- Tuesday: Southwood Drive, Station Hill
- Wednesday: Springfield Tce, Stanwell Hill
- Thursday: Stanbridge Park, Stanhope Tce
- Friday: Stella Maris Court, Stuckley Rd
- Saturday: Sunningdale Tce, Sunnyside

Please pray for those who are sick:

Amanda Beer, Maryanne Benson, Trish Bishop, Pauline Carpenter, Tim Cotter, Nicky Day, Gill Dean, Alan Hooper, Tyler Hooper Graham and Karel Johnston, Eileen King, Alan Power, Beryl Pullin, David Sharp, Kevin Smith, Jean Stewart, Iris Way, Marion Woolf

Please remember the souls of the departed, and the families of those who have recently been bereaved, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

If we can do anything to help you please get in touch. If we don't have the answers we will try to put you in touch with someone who does. Contact Church Office 474078 or Lorna 477117.

Dates of Events and Meeting

- Wed 8 9.45 and 11 am Music Makers
- Thurs 9 7.30 pm Parish Prayer
- Mon 13 12 for 12.30 pm M.U. Lunch at Royal Hotel
- 6-7.30 pm Cryptonites
- 7.30 pm PCC Meeting

Earth and heaven worship you,
Love eternal, faithful and true,
who bought the nations, ransomed souls,
brought this sinner near to your throne ;
all within me cries out in praise.

*Your majesty, I can but bow ;
I lay my all before you now.
In royal robes I don't deserve,
I live to serve your majesty,
I live to serve your majesty.*

FINAL HYMN

YOU'RE THE WORD OF GOD THE FATHER,

From before the world began;
Every star and every planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory,
Let the land and seas rejoice!

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry,
With a word You stilled the sea;
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free.

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home.

ENTRANCE HYMN

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold :
'Through all the earth, goodwill and peace
from heaven's all-gracious king !'
The world in solemn stillness lay
to hear the angels sing.

With sorrow brought by sin and strife
the world has suffered long
and, since the angels sang, have passed
two thousand years of wrong :
the nations, still at war, hear not
the love-song which they bring :
O hush the noise and cease the strife,
to hear the angels sing !

And those whose journey now is hard,
whose hope is burning low,
who tread the rocky path of life
with painful steps and slow :
O listen to the news of love
which makes the heavens ring !
O rest beside the weary road
and hear the angels sing !

And still the days are hastening on —
by prophets seen of old —
towards the fulness of the time
when comes the age foretold :
then earth and heaven renewed shall see
the prince of peace, their king ;
and all the world repeat the song
which now the angels sing.

COLLECT

God our Father,
in love you sent your Son
that the world may have life:
lead us to seek him among the outcast
and find him in those in need,
for Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 1: 9-13

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

GRADUAL HYMN

JESUS IS LORD! CREATION'S VOICE
PROCLAIMS IT,
for by his power each tree and flower was
planned and made.
Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it ;
sun, moon and stars in heaven cry : Jesus
is Lord!

*Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
praise him with Alleluias, for Jesus is
Lord!*

Jesus is Lord! Yet from his throne eternal
in flesh he came to die in pain on Calvary's
tree.

Jesus is Lord! From him all life proceed-
ing,
yet gave his life a ransom, thus setting us
free :

Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty con-
queror,
from death he rose ; and all his foes shall
own his name.

Jesus is Lord! God sends his Holy Spirit
to show by works of power that Jesus is
Lord :

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6: 25-34

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about
your life, what you will eat or what you will
drink, or about your body, what you will
wear. Is not life more than food, and the
body more than clothing? Look at the birds
of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor
gather into barns, and yet your heavenly
Father feeds them. Are you not of more
value than they? And can any of you by
worrying add a single hour to your span of
life? And why do you worry about clothing?
Consider the lilies of the field, how they
grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell
you, even Solomon in all his glory was not
clothed like one of these. But if God so
clothes the grass of the field, which is alive
today and tomorrow is thrown into the
oven, will he not much more clothe you—
you of little faith? Therefore do not worry,
saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we
drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the
Gentiles who strive for all these things;
and indeed your heavenly Father knows
that you need all these things. But strive
first for the kingdom of God and his
righteousness, and all these things will be
given to you as well. "So do not worry
about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring
worries of its own. Today's trouble is
enough for today.

OFFERTORY HYMN

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:

*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice ;
ye lights of evening, find a voice :

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire, so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light :

Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness ;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One :

COMMUNION HYMNS

JESUS SHALL TAKE THE HIGHEST
HONOUR,
Jesus shall take the highest praise.
Let all earth join heaven in exalting
The Name which is above all other names.
Let's bow the knee in humble adoration,
For at His name every knee must bow.
Let every tongue confess He is Christ,
God's only Son;
Sovereign Lord, we give You glory now.

*For all honour and blessing and power
Belongs to You, belongs to You.
All honour and blessing and power
Belongs to You, belongs to You,
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living
God*

EMMANUEL, Emmanuel,
We call Your name, Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us,
We call Your name, Emmanuel.

KING OF KINGS, MAJESTY,
God of heaven living in me.
Gentle Saviour, closest Friend,
Strong Deliverer, Beginning and End,
all within me falls at your throne.

*Your majesty, I can but bow ;
I lay my all before you now.
In royal robes I don't deserve,
I live to serve your majesty.*