

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

Monday 14 Feb. Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885. Valentine, Martyr at Rome, c. 269

Ps. 44; Gen. 24. 1-28; 1 Tim. 6. 1-10

Tuesday 15 Feb. Sigfrid, Bishop, Apostle of Sweden, 1045; Thomas Bray, Priest, Founder of the SPCK and SPG, 1730

Ps. 48; Gen. 24. 29-end; 1 Tim. 6.11-end
10.30 am Holy Communion

Wednesday 16 Feb.

Ps. 119. 57-80; Gen. 25. 7-11, 19-end; 2 Tim. 1. 1-14

Thursday 17 Feb. Janai Luwun, Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977

Ps. 57; Gen. 26.34-27.40; 2 Tim. 1.15-2.13

Friday 18 Feb.

Ps 51; Gen. 27.41-28.end

Saturday 19 Feb.

Ps. 68; Gen. 29.1-30; 2 Tim. ch. 3
8 am. Morning Prayer

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Part of the Mission Community of
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Our Purpose:

TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

SUNDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2022 3RD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Marisa Cockfield

9.30 am FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE

11.15 am ENCOUNTER with Rev'd Chris Hutchins & Rachael Hutchins

6 pm 5 Parish Evensong

NEXT SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2022

2ND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

11.15 am ENCOUNTER with Rev'd Chris Hutchins and Rachael Hutchins

WELCOME! Please stay for tea or coffee
after the 9.30 am service—we would love to chat with you.

Dates of Events and Meetings

Mon 14	2 pm Mothers' Union. Rev'd Chris Hutchins talking about his life.
Tues 15	10.30 am Holy Communion with Rev'd Niccy Hunt 2.30 pm Reflections 7-9.30 pm <i>Northam Choral Rehearsal</i>
Wed 16	9.30 am Music Makers (booking required through office.)
Fri 18	11.30 am-1 pm. <i>Friday Diner</i> 6pm <i>Choir Practice</i>
Sat 19	2.30 pm Thanksgiving Service for Avril Lowe

5 Parish Evensong at St Mary's Church tonight, Sunday 13 February, at 6 pm. Everyone welcome.

Mothers' Union: Christian Care for Families

Our next meeting will be 14 February in church and starts at 2pm. The speaker will be our curate Chris and he will be sharing his life story.

Our meetings are open to all the congregation and friends, and you are warmly invited to join us.

Please come 20 mins before the start, so that you can socialise, as well as browsing the second-hand books (we ask for a donation to borrow these), and the MU cards which will be for sale at £1.10 per card. We also have a raffle and sometimes local produce for sale.

After the notices and talk there will be plenty of time to chat and have refreshments. We usually finish by 4pm.

Looking forward to seeing you. Jacquie Ballantyne

Mary Cusack

Mary's funeral will take place on **Tuesday, 15 February at 3 pm at North Devon Crematorium.**

Thanksgiving Service for Avril Lowe- Saturday, 19 February at 2.30 pm in St Mary's Church

Sarah Pugh, Avril Lowe's daughter, would like to invite everyone to a Thanksgiving Service for Avril, in a celebration of her life. If anyone can make/donate a cake for the refreshments after the Service, it would be greatly appreciated.

Open Choir Practice – Friday, 25 Feb. 6-7 pm at St Mary's Church

If you think you might like to join the Choir, or would just like to see what goes on, there is an open Choir Practice on Friday, 25 February. Everyone is welcome.

SUNDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2022

THE FIRST READING

Jer. 17.5-10

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals

and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.
They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.
Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.
The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?
I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 6. 17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

