



ST MARY'S  
PARISH  
CHURCH  
BIDEFORD

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

### Monday 28 Feb.

Ps. **80**, Gen 37, 1-11; Gal ch 1

### Tuesday 1 March. David, Bishop of Menevia, Patron of Wales, c.601

Ps. **89 1-18**; Gen. 37, 12-end; Gal 2, 1-10  
10.30 Holy Communion (MU Corporate)

### Wednesday 2 March Ash Wednesday

Ps. 38; Dan 9, 3-6, 17-19; 1 Tim 6, 6-19  
7 pm Ash Wednesday Service

### Thursday 3 March

Ps. **77**; Gen ch 39; Gal 2, 11 - end

### Friday 4 March

Ps **3**; Gen ch.40; Gal 3, 1-14

### Saturday 5 March

Ps. **71**, Gen 41, 1-24; Gal 3, 15-22

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## 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*

## SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2022 NEXT SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Chris Hutchins

Talk: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore, Ben Duhig  
and Ro Day

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

NEXT SUNDAY 6 MARCH 2022

1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie

Talk: Rev'd Robin Pirrie

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 28	7.30pm Zoom Standing Committee
Tues 1 March	10.30am Holy Communion (M.U. Corporate) 2pm Pastoral Care Committee, St Mary's House 7-9.30 pm <i>Northam Choral Rehearsal</i>
Wed 2	9.30am Music Makers 7.00pm Ash Wednesday Service
Fri 4	11.30 am-1 pm. <i>Friday Diner</i> 6pm <i>Choir Practice</i>
Sat 5	8.15am <i>Men's Breakfast</i>
Sun 6	9.30am Parish Communion 11.15 Encounter Service

## Lent Course 2022 - Surprised by Generosity

Surprised by Generosity is a new seven-week Lent course looking at God's generosity to us and our call to live generously in return. It is based on the Gospel of Luke and features video reflections, interviews, a small group study guide and suggested church service talks.

The course will run from 9 March to 27 April. (Please see March Newsletter for more details.)



On Sundays 27 Feb and 6 March we will be handing out Smartie tubes. Please do take them home, eat the goodies and then during Lent fill them with MONEY! All contributions will be given to Christian Aid, an organisation which works all over the world to try and eradicate poverty. We are so fortunate, please in thanks to God for what we have, help those who are in need. Please return tubes to Church on Easter Day. Thank you. Sue Jeffery and Lorna Dorrington

## Mothers' Union: Christian Care for Families

Our next meeting will be **14 March** in church and starts at 2pm. The speaker will be Andrew Tregoning talking about Harbour Community,

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

## SUNDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2022

### THE FIRST READING

#### **2 Cor. 3.12-18**

Since then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there,

since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

## GOSPEL READING

### **Luke 9.28-43a**

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" – not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and, in those days, told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, 'Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It throws him into convulsions until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.' Jesus answered, 'You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.' While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

