



ST MARY'S  
PARISH  
CHURCH  
BIDEFORD

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

### Monday 30 May

Ps.93; Num. 22.1-35; Luke 7.36-end

### Tuesday 31 May

Ps.113; Num. 22.36-23.12; Luke 8.1-15

### Wednesday 1 June Justin, Martyr at Rome, c. 165

Ps.29; Num. 23.13-end; Luke 8.16-25

### Thursday 2 June

Ps.24; Num. 24; Luke 8.26-39

### Friday 3 June The Martyrs of Uganda, 1885-7

Ps 28; Num. 27.12-end; Luke 8.40-end

### Saturday 4 June

Ps.43; Num.32.1-27; Luke 9.1-17

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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 29 MAY 2022**

**7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**(SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY)**

9.30 am *CELTIC COMMUNION*

*President: Rev'd Chris Hutchins*

*Talk: Rev'd Chris Hutchins*

11.15 am *ENCOUNTER with Rev'd Chris Hutchins*

**SUNDAY 5 JUNE 2022**

**PENTECOST**

**(WHIT SUNDAY)**

9.30 am ALL AGE JUBILEE SERVICE

with Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore and All Age  
Team

10.45 am Holy Communion

11.15 am ENCOUNTER including baptism of  
Willow Blue Varty

*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 30	9.00 am Holy Dusters
Wed 1 June	<b>No</b> Music Makers (half term)
Fri 4	11am Friday Diner <b>No</b> Choir practice (Bank holiday)
Sat 4	8.15 for 8.30 am Men's Breakfast 2-4 pm Jubilee celebrations – tea, coffee and cake
Sun 5	9.30 am All-Age Jubilee Service 10.45 am Holy Communion 11.15 Encounter and baptism of Willow Blue Varty

### SATURDAY 4 JUNE – JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Come along and join the fun between 2 and 4 pm on Saturday 4 June when we join in with Tower Street's Street Party with tea, coffee and cake. There will be memory book for people to write their memories of meeting or seeing the Queen or members of the Royal Family.

### SATURDAY 4 JUNE- SOUTH WEST AWAKE. Coastal footpath prayer event, praying and praising at strategic points along the coast.

Would you like to participate in this special event praying and praising along the coastal footpath? This act of faith will impact the spiritual life of the SW.

Look at the brief introductory video (link below), see the suggested 'timetable' description of the time of praying (link below), sign up so as to see the prayer spots on the map. There are many free places, some on Northam Burrows and many along the coastal footpath, and others on inland hill tops. [www.youtube.com/watch?v=LXvc-U-c\\_bQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LXvc-U-c_bQ)

### SUNDAY 5 JUNE – 9.30AM ALL-AGE JUBILEE SERVICE

A special All-Age Service to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with crafts, games, songs and interactive prayers.

(There will be Holy Communion at 10.45 am following the Service for those who would like it.)

### SUNDAY, 29 MAY THE FIRST READING Acts 16. 16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

### GOSPEL READING John.17.20-end

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

