THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES Monday 20 June

Ps 30; Josh. Ch 14; Luke 12. 1-12

Tuesday 21 June

Ps 36; Josh.21.43-22.8; Luke 12.13-21

Wednesday 22 June Alban, first Martyr of Britain c.250, Ember Day

Ps. 34; Josh.22. 9-end; Luke 12. 22-31

Thursday 23 June Etheldreda Abbess of Ely c.678 Ps 37; Josh.ch 23; Luke 12.23-40

Friday 24 June THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST Ember Day

Ps.85.7-end; Josh.24.1-28; Luke 12.41-48

Saturday 25 June Ember Day

Ps.42; Josh.24.29-end; Luke 12.49-end

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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 19 JUNE 2022 1st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION

President: Archdeacon Verena Breed/Rev'd Claire

Rose-Casemore

Talk: Archdeacon Verena Breed

11.15 am ENCOUNTER

1.00 pm Baptism of Hubert Skinner

SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2022 2nd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

08.00 AM SAID HOLY COMMUNION

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Alan Glover

Talk: Rev'd Alan Glover

11.15 am ENCOUNTER

WELCOME! Please stay for tea or coffee after the 9.30 am service on 19 June when Chris Low will be signing and selling copies of her book, Shattering Glass Ceilings (£6)

Dates of Events and Meetings

Mon 20	9.00 am Holy Dusters
Tues 21	10.30 am Holy Communion
	2.30 pm Reflections
Wed 22	9.30 am Music Makers (book through office)
Thurs 23	1.00 pm Lunchtime Concert with Michael Hodgson
Fri 24	11am Friday Diner
	6.00pm Choir Practice
Sat 25	8.00am Morning Prayer
	1.00 pm Wedding of Joshua Hawkes and Vicki Lamey
Sun 26	8 am Holy Communion
	9.30 am Parish Communion
	11.15 am Encounter
	2-4 pm Friends of St Mary's Summer Fete
	5 pm Confirmation Service at Parkham Church

Lunchtime Concert - Thursday 23 June at 1 pm.

The next Concert will be with Michael Hodgson on Thursday, 23 June from 1-1.50 pm with a retiring collection.

Friends of St Mary's Summer Fete - Sunday 26 June, 2-4 pm at Church

Come and have fun and support St Mary's Church. There will be a cake stall, tombola, produce and much more. If anyone has any tombola prizes, there will be a yellow box for them at the back of church. Also, if you have a game or activity and are able to man it, please see Nadine, Ro or Claire. We would love you to come and join the team.

MESSY CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY, 29 JUNE 3.30-5 PM

There will be crafts, games, a Bible story, song and prayer, finishing with tea.

The cost is £2.50 per child, up to a maximum cost of £6 per family. If you would like to book places for your children up to age 11, please contact the Church office by 12 noon on Tuesday 22 June, telephone 472551 or email admin@stmaryschurchbideford.org as places are limited.

ISOBEL GREEN'S FUNERAL

Following the very sad news of Isobel Green passing away this week, we now have a date for her funeral. It will be at the Crematorium on Monday, 4 July at 11 am, followed by refreshments back at St Mary's Church at 12 noon. Everyone is warmly invited to attend.

TRY PRAYING

Following the recent Try Praying initiative, it would be lovely to hear any feedback from anyone who tried it. Please can you send any feedback you may have to Church office.

REQUEST FOR GARDENER & CLEANER

Do you know of anyone who could offer gardening and cleaning services? If so, please speak to Rev'd Claire.

SUNDAY, 19 JUNE 1st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY THE FIRST READING Galatians 3: 23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

GOSPEL READING Luke 8.26-39

They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God. I beg you, don't torture me!" For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under quard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary place. Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him. And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss. A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission. When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank in the lake and was drowned. When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from who the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind and they were afraid. Those who had seen it told the people how the demonpossessed man had been cured. Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left. The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.