

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

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Monday 25 July – JAMES THE APOSTLE

Ps.119.33-72; Jer.45; Mark 1.14-20

Tuesday 26 July- Anne and Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ps.132; 1 Sam.6.1-16; Luke 21.5-19

Wednesday 27 July – Brooke Foss Westcott, Bishop of Durham, Teacher 1901

Ps.119.153-end; 1 Sam.7; Luke 21.20-8

Thursday 28 July

Ps.143; 1 Sam.8; Luke 21.29-end

Friday 29 July – Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions of our Lord

Ps.144; 1 Sam.9.1-14; Luke 22.1-13

Saturday 30 July – William Wilberforce, Social Reformer, Olaudah Equiana and Thomas Clarkson, Anti-Slavery Campaigners, 1833, 1797 and 1846

Ps.147; 1 Sam.9.15-10.1; Luke 22.14-23

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

Our Purpose:

TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

SUNDAY 24 JULY 2022 6th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Alan Glover
- 9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Alan Glover
- 11.15 am ENCOUNTER

SUNDAY 31 JULY 2022 7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 9.30 am CELTIC COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie
Talk: Miranda and Tim Heathcote
- 11.15 am ENCOUNTER

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 25 July	9.30 am Holy Dusters
Tues 26	10.30 am Northumbria Prayer
Thurs 28	1.00 pm Lunchtime Concert with John Nixon 6.00 pm Christian Aid Supper at Lavington Church
Fri 29	11.00 am Friday Diner 6.00 pm Choir Practice
Sat 30	8.00 am Morning Prayer
Sun 31	9.30 am Parish Communion 11.15 am Encounter 12.30 pm Barbecue in the Rectory garden

MIRANDA & TIM HEATHCOTE

Miranda and Tim, our CMS partners, will be at St Mary's Church to talk at the 9.30 am service and Encounter service at 11.15 am on 31 July. Please come meet them and hear them speak about their work.

BARBECUE IN RECTORY GARDEN, SUNDAY 31 JULY AT 12.30 PM

Please sign up on the list at the back of church by Wednesday 27 July if you would like to attend the barbecue. (Details have been sent out by email to everyone.)

LUNCHTIME CONCERT – THURSDAY 28 JULY AT 1 PM

The next Lunchtime Concert will be with John Nixon this week. There is no charge for the concert. Instead, there will be a donation plate near the door for St Mary's Church fund.

CHRISTIAN AID SUMMER SUPPER

Christian Aid is having a Summer Supper on Thursday 28 July, at 6pm. This will be at Lavington URC Church (enter at the back of the church via Willett Street). More details from Sue Jeffery. Also, please let Sue know if you can help with puddings.

PARISH PRAYER

This will be re-starting on Tuesday, 2 August at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Church and take place each first Tuesday evening of the month. Please contact Rev'd Claire if you are interested.

STAY AND PLAY

Do you know anyone with children/grandchildren under 5 who are looking for things to do with them over the summer? At St Mary's we are running 'stay and play' sessions every Wednesday in August 10am-12 noon in church. There will be lots of toys, refreshments for the adults and snacks for the children, books, crafts, a baby area, songs and story time. Please help us spread the word. The sessions are free but if carers are able to make a donation of £2 towards the refreshment costs it would be much appreciated.

HARBOUR COMMUNITY

Everyone is beginning to see costs rise, and donations to Harbour and the Foodbank are falling. The Harbour Community is also helping reach families known to them, who are working but still struggling and who unable to get to the Foodbank. If you are able to help, there will be a yellow tub in the church for donations to the Harbour Community (a list of items most needed items are on the box), any help we can give will be very much appreciated and welcomed.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S – WIN A QUILT AND CUSHION

Someone has made a lovely quilt and cushion which has been given to St Mary's to be raffled to raise money for the church. It is at the back of the church and will be raffled on 7 August. tickets will be £1 a strip.

SUNDAY 24 JULY

6th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

THE FIRST READING

Col. 2.6-15

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

GOSPEL READING

Luke.11. 1-13

He was praying in a certain place and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, When you pray say:

Father, hallowed by your name,
Your kingdom come,
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,

For we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you had a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'" And he answers from within "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there any among you who, if your child asks for a fish will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts for your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

