

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

### Monday 1 August

Ps.1; 1 Sam.10.1-16; Luke 22.24-30

### Tuesday 2 August

Ps.5; 1 Sam.10.17-end; Luke 22. 31-38

### Wednesday 3 August

Ps.119.1-32; 1 Sam. Ch 11; Luke 22. 39-46

### Thursday 4 August – John-Baptiste Vianney, Cure d'Ars, Spiritual Guide. 1859

Ps.15; 1 Sam.ch.112; Luke 22.47-62

### Friday 5 August – Oswald, King of Northumbria, Martyr, 642

Ps.19; 1 Sam.13 5018; Luke 22.63-end

### Saturday 6 August – THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Ps.27; 1 Kngs.19. 1-16; 1 John 3.1-3

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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 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  
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### SUNDAY 7 AUGUST 8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION  
President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore
- 11.15 am ENCOUNTER and Baptism of Poppie Johns

*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 1 August	9.30 am Holy Dusters
Tues 2	10.30 am Holy Communion (MU Corporate) Mary Sumner Day followed by lunch 7.30 pm Parish Prayer
Wed 3	10.00 am Stay and Play (Rachael Hutchins)
Fri 5	11.00 am Friday Diner
Sat 6	8.00 am Morning Prayer 8.15 am Men's Breakfast
Sun 7	9.30 am Parish Communion 11.15 am Encounter and Baptism of Poppie Johns

### 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 today 31 July.

If you have signed up for the barbecue in the Rectory Garden, we look forward to seeing you at 12.30 pm!

### PARISH PRAYER

This will be re-starting on Tuesday, 2 August at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Church.

### PRAYERS

Please remember Poppie Johns, Hallie Law and Sebastian Ackroyd in your prayers as they will be baptised into the church family in the coming weeks.

### 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.

### CALLING ALL KNITTERS!

I have been asked to knit 100 "Twiddle Muffs" for NDH Dementia Nurses to use on the wards, in the community and in nursing homes. Please contact Jacquie on 07811814341 or [jballant@btinternet.com](mailto:jballant@btinternet.com) for a pattern.

### 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 31 JULY

#### 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

#### THE FIRST READING

#### Eccles.1.2, 12-14 and 18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I the Teacher, when King over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me – and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it, This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

### GOSPEL READING

#### Luke.12. 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink and be merry.'" But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'



