

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

Monday 15 – THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Ps.98; 1 Sam.19. 1-18; Acts 1.1-14

Tuesday 16 August

Ps.48; 1 Sam.20. 1-17; Acts 1. 15-end

Wednesday 17 August

Ps.119. 57-80; 1 Sam.20. 18-end; Acts 2. 1-21

Thursday 18 August

Ps.57; 1 Sam.21. 1-22.5; Acs.2. 22-36

Friday 19 August

Ps.51; 1 Sam.22.6-end; Acts. 2. 37-end

Saturday 20 August – Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher, 1153; William and Catherine Booth, Founders of the Salvation Army, 1912 and 180-

Ps.68; 1 Sam. 23 Acts 3. 1-10

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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 14 AUGUST 2022 9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Marisa Cockfield
- 9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie
- 11.15 am ENCOUNTER
- 12.30 pm Baptism of Hallie Law

SUNDAY 21 AUGUST 10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore
Rev'd Chris Hutchins
- 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 15 August	9.30 am Holy Dusters 2.00 pm Funeral of Mervyn Fudge
Tues 16	10.30 am Morning Prayer (Lorna Dorrinton) 2.30 pm Reflections
Wed 17	10.00 am Stay and Play (Rachael Hutchins)
Fri 19	11.00 am Friday Diner 6.00 pm Choir Practice
Sat 20	8.00 am Morning Prayer
Sun 21	9.30 am Parish Communion 11.15 am Encounter
Mon 22	9.30 am Holy Dusters

Also, make a note in your diaries, **Wednesday 19 October at 7.30 pm**, for a concert by Chris Beechey and friends on behalf of Friends of St Mary's to raise money for church funds. More details to follow.

PRAYERS

Please hold the family of Mervyn Fudge in your prayers, whose funeral will take place at St Mary's tomorrow, Monday 15 August.

Please also remember Hallie Law being baptized today and Sebastian Ackroyd as he 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 'stay and play' sessions continue 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.

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

Congratulations to Sue May who won the quilt and cushion and thank you to Friends of St Mary's who raised £123 from the raffle.

BOOKWORMS

The next meeting of Bookworms will be on Monday 5 September at 7.30 pm at Hazel Bowden's home (8 Adrian Close.) We will be discussing Midnight at Malabar House by Vaseem Khan.

SUNDAY 14 AUGUST

9TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

THE FIRST READING

Heb. 11.29-12.2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the

walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets — who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

GOSPEL READING

Luke.12. 49-55

'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain", and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and so it happens.

