



ST MARY'S  
PARISH  
CHURCH  
BIDEFORD

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

**Monday 3 October – George Bell, Bishop of Chichester, Peacemaker, 1958**

Ps.44; 1 Kings 12.25 – 13.10; Acts 19.8-20

**Tuesday 4 October – Francis of Assisi, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226**

Ps.48; 1 Kings 13.11 – end; Acts 19. 21 – end.

**Wednesday 5 October**

Ps. 119; 1 Kings ch17; Acts 20. 1-16

**Thursday 6 October – William Tyndale, Translator of the Scriptures, Reformation Martyr, 1536**

Ps. 57; 1 Kings 18.1020; Acts 20. 17 – end.

**Friday 7 October**

Ps. 51; 1 Kings 18. 21 – end.

**Saturday 8 October**

Ps. 68; 1 Kings ch19; Acts 21. 17 - 36

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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 2 OCTOBER 2022 16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 9.30 am CELTIC COMMUNION  
President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore  
Talk: Rev'd Robin Pirrie
- 11.15 am ENCOUNTER

### SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER 2022 17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION
- 9.30 am ALL AGE SERVICE  
(Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore)
- 11.15 am ENCOUNTER
- 6 pm 4 PARISH CHOIR EVENSONG at Weare Giffard

*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 3 October	9.30am Holy Dusters
Tues 4	10.30am Holy Communion (M.U. Corporate) 7.00pm Northam Choral rehearsal 7.00 pm Alpha Course 7.30 pm Parish Prayer (in Church House)
Wed 5	9.30am Music Makers (book through Church Office) 7.30pm Bideford Music Club Concert
Fri 7	11.00 am Friday Diner
Sat 8	10.30 am Holy Grounds Café (Jacquie Ballantyne)
Sun 9	8.00 am Said Holy Communion 9.30 am All-Age Service 11.15 am Encounter 6 pm 4 Parish Choir Evensong at Weare Giffard
Mon 10	9.30 am Holy Dusters

**PARISH PRAYER, FIRST TUESDAY IN MONTH AT ST MARY'S HOUSE, 7.30PM**  
Just to remind everyone that Parish Prayer has started again on the first Tuesday of the month in St Mary's House at 7.30 pm. The next date will be Tuesday, 4 October.

**MUSIC MAKERS – WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER AT 9.30 AM**  
Please contact the office (472551) by 12 noon on Monday 3 October to book a place.

**Stay and Play – Wednesday, 26 October 10 am – 12 noon**  
Following the very successful Stay and Play sessions at St Mary's Church during the Summer holidays, there will be a session during the October half-term holiday on Wednesday 26 October from 10 am to 12 noon.

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 session is free, but if carers are able to make a donation of £2 towards the refreshment costs it would be much appreciated.

### **ONE WORLD WEEK EVENT – SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER (3-4.30 PM), LAVINGTON CHURCH**

There will be short time of worship followed by afternoon tea. The guest speaker is Katrine Musgrave, Regional Christian Aid Co-ordinator.

The theme of the service will be climate justice and reflecting on the impact of the climate crisis on countries and people across the globe. For further details contact Rob Weston on [lavingtonurc@gmail.com](mailto:lavingtonurc@gmail.com)

**FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CONCERT – WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER AT 7.30 PM**  
Everyone is invited to a Friends of St Mary's Concert featuring Joanna Preston – Recorders with Tom Bayliss - Harpsichord and the Giocosa Wind Quartet.  
Cost is £5 (free entry for Friends)

**SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER, 16TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
THE FIRST READING  
Habakuk 1. 1-4 and 2. 1-4**

### **The Oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. The Prophet's Complaint**

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not listen?  
or cry to you 'Violence!'  
and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrongdoing  
and look at trouble?  
Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.  
So the law becomes slack  
and justice never prevails.  
The wicked surround the righteous –  
therefore judgement comes forth perverted.

### **God's Reply to the Prophet's Complaint**

I will stand at my watch-post,  
And station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,  
And what he will answer concerning my complaint.  
Then the Lord answered me and said:  
Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets;  
so that the runner may read it.  
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.  
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
It will surely come, it will not delay.  
Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
But the righteous live by their faith.

### **GOSPEL READING Luke 17. 5 - 10**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"



