THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

Monday 26 June

Psalm 71; Ezra 7; Romans 11.25-end

Tuesday 27 June - Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher, 444 Psalm 73; Ezra 8. 15-end; Romans 12. 1-8

Wednesday 28 June- Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, Teacher c.200

Psalm 77 Ezra 9; Romans 12. 9-end

Thursday 29 June - PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Psalm 139; Ezekiel 3. 4-11; Acts 11. 1-18

Friday 30 June

Psalm 55; Nehemiah 1; Romans 13. 8-end

Saturday 1 July - Henry, John and Henry Venn the Younger,

Priests, Evangelical Divines, 1797, 1813 and 1873

Psalm 76; Nehemiah 2; Romans 14. 1-

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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 25 JUNE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Alan Glover

9.30 am MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE WITH H. COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie Talk: Rev'd Alan Glover

11.15am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

SUNDAY 2 JULY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30 am MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE WITH H. COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

Talk: Rev'd Chris Hutchins

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

This church currently has a policy of not taking collections during services. If you would like to donate to the work and ministry of St Mary's Church, we would be very grateful. You can donate at the door using our contactless machine or post cash in the slot in the same unit. If you would like to find out about regular giving, then please speak to one of the clergy or one of the Church Wardens. Thank you for your kind generosity.

Dates of Events and Meetings

Tues 27 10.30am Northumbria Prayer

7.00pm Mental Health Talk by Dr Adam Hickson

(see below)

Wed 28 9.30 am Music Makers (book through church office)

3.30pm Messy Church (book through church office)

Fri 30 11.15 am Friday Diner

6.00 pm Choir Practice

Sat 1 July 8.00 am Morning Prayer

8.15am Men's Breakfast 10.00am Treblemakers

Sun 2 9.30 am Morning Worship Service with Holy Communion

11.15 am Encounter

2.30pm Garden Warming Strawberry Afternoon Party at

Maggie Murray's.

PRAYERS

Please remember the following church family in your prayers: John Day, Gwynne Dendle and Hazel Taylor.

Also, please continue to pray for Karel Johnston's family (Graham, Karen, Ian and Amanda.) Karel's funeral will take place on Tuesday, 4 July at 1 pm at St Mary's Church.

Please also pray for Beryl Drew's family (Roger, Julie and Sarah-Jane) after she sadly passed away this week.

U-CAN SUNDAY, 25 JUNE TODAY

Today is "U-Can Sunday. We would be very grateful of donations of food (tins, packets etc) or money, which is used to keep a store cupboard in Church to enable us to help those in need.

DR ADAM HICKSON - TALK ON MENTAL HEALTH

Dr Adam Hickson will be giving a talk on Mental Health at 7 pm on Tuesday, 27 June in St Mary's Church. Everyone is invited to come along and hear him. Enquiries to Lorna 477117.

MAGGIE'S GARDEN WARMING STRAWBERRY AFTERNOON

Don't forget Maggie's afternoon on Sunday, 2 July, from 2.30 pm onwards at Netherby (in front of Rickards Green), Abbotsham, EX39 5FS. Tel. 07908406126. Donations for fizzy strawberry cream tea are for St Mary's fundraising fund and proceeds from tombola and raffle will go to M.U. charities.

SUNDAY 25 JUNE

COLLECT

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

THE FIRST READING Romans 6. 1 - 11 Dying and rising with Christ

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

THE SECOND READING Matthew 10. 24 - 39

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,

and a daughter against her mother,

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.