

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

### Monday 10 July

Psalms 98; Nehemiah 12. 27-47; 2 Corinthians 1. 1-14

### Tuesday 11 July – Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino, Father of Western Monasticism c 550

Psalms 106; Nehemiah 13. 1-14; 2 Corinthians 1.15 – 2.4

### Wednesday 12 July

Psalms 11; Nehemiah 13. 15-end; 2 Corinthians 2. 5-end

### Thursday 13 July

Psalms 115; Ester 1; 2 Corinthians 32

### Friday 14 July – Joh Keble, Priest, Tractarian, Poet 1866

Psalms 139; Ester 2; 2 Corinthians 4

### Saturday 15 July – Swithun, Bishop of Winchester c.862;

Bonaventure, Friar, Bishop, Teacher. 1274

Psalms 121; Ester 3; 2 Corinthians 5

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## BIDEFORD PARISH BULLETIN

Part of the Mission Community of  
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*Our Purpose:*

*TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD*

### SUNDAY 9 JULY

#### FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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| 8 am     | SAID HOLY COMMUNION<br>President: Rev'd Marisa Cockfield      |
| 9.30 am  | FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE<br>All-Age Team and Rev'd Robin Pirrie |
| 11.15 am | ENCOUNTER SERVICE   |
| 6 pm     | EVENSONG at St Swithun's, Littleham                           |

### SUNDAY 16 JULY

#### SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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| 9.30 am  | MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION<br>President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie<br>Talk: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore |
| 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

Mon 10 July	9.30am Holy Dusters 2.30pm Mother's Union – Speaker – Barbara Grantham
Tues 11 July	1.40 pm Funeral of Beryl Drew at N.Devon Crematorium
Wed 12	9.30 am Music Makers (book through church office)
Thurs 13	9.00 am St Mary's School end of term Concert 12.00 noon Lunchtime Concert with Miles Quick
Fri 14	11.15 am Friday Diner
Sat 15	8.00 am Morning Prayer 10.00am Treblemakers
Sun 16	9.30 am Morning Worship Service with Holy Communion 11.15 am Encounter

## PRAYERS

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

Please also pray for Beryl Drew's family (Roger, Julie and Sarah-Jane) ahead of Beryl's funeral on Tuesday 11 July at 1.40 pm at North Devon Crematorium.

## LUNCHTIME CONCERT – THURSDAY 13 JULY AT 12 NOON

The next Lunchtime Concert will be on Thursday 13 July at 12 noon with Miles Quick on the organ. There will be a retiring collection.

## LOCAL CHURCHES EVENING AT LEE ABBEY, SUNDAY 16 JULY

Lee Abbey is hosting a Local Churches Evening on Sunday 16 July. Tea and cake from 5.45 pm, worship from 6.30 pm. Admission free. You can just turn up but letting them know would be helpful.

## CHRISTIAN AID SUMMER SUPPER, WEDNESDAY 26 JULY

Christian Aid is holding a Summer Supper on Wednesday 26 July, at 6pm, at Bideford Baptist Church Hall. There will be quiche and salad, a range of desserts, and tea or coffee. Please let Sue Jeffery know if you are coming, or put your name on the sign-up sheet, as this will help with catering. Donations are for Christian Aid.

## FRIDAY DINER – Help please!

We are now serving an average of 35 meals at our Friday Diner, but we cannot run the diner every week without the help of the volunteers and the amazing people who provide the food (cooked at home and brought in on a Friday). Are you able to offer help in providing home-made vegetable soup, main meals or puddings? We can reimburse people for cost of food (with a receipt). If you are able to help, or want to know more about the Friday Diner, please speak to Richard James or Pam Howlett. Thank you.

## SUNDAY 9 JULY - COLLECT

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church  
the riches of the Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## THE FIRST READING

### Romans 7. 15 – 25a - The Inner Conflict

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

## THE SECOND READING - Matthew 11. 16-19 and 25-30

'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn."

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## Jesus Thanks His Father

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'