

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

### Monday 30 October

Psalms 1; Ecclesiastes 1; John 17. 1-5

### Tuesday 31 October – Martin Luther, Reformer, 1546

Psalms 5; Ecclesiastes 2; Jon 17. 6-19

### Wednesday 1 November – ALL SAINTS DAY

Psalms 84; Isaiah 35; Luke 9. 18-27

### Thursday 2 November – Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Saint's Day)

Psalms 15; Ecclesiastes 3.16 – 4.end

### Friday 3 November – Richard Hooker, Priest, Anglican Apologist, Teacher, 1600; Martin of Porres, Friar, 1639

Psalms 19; Ecclesiastes 5; John 18. 12-27

### Saturday 4 November

Psalms 23; Ecclesiastes 6; John 18. 28-end

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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 29 OCTOBER

#### LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30 am ALL SOULS MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION  
President: Rev'd Chris Hutchins

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

1.45 pm BAPTISM OF HALLE MOORE

### SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

9.30 am FAMILY WORSHIP followed by Holy Communion  
President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie

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 30 Oct	9.30 am Holy Dusters
Tues 31	10.30am All Saints Holy Communion 3.30pm Messy Church Pumpkin Party 7.30pm Northam Choral Rehearsal
Wed 1 Nov	9.30 am Music Makers 7.30pm Bideford Music Club Concert
Thurs 2	7.00 pm Alpha Course
Fri 3	10.30am Funeral of John Kilty 11.30am Friday Diner (volunteers to arrive at 11.30)
Sat 4	8.00 am Morning Prayer 8.15am Men's Breakfast 10.00am Treblemakers
Sun 5	9.30 am Family Worship followed by Holy Communion 11.15 am Encounter

### PRAYERS

Please remember the following church family in your prayers: John Day, Gwynne Dendle, Hazel Taylor and Roger Phillips. Also Ann, Peter, and family, following the sad passing of Ann's mother, Muriel.

We also pray for Halle Moore, and her family, as she comes to be baptised today.

**Tuesday 31 October 10.30 am All Saints Holy Communion** As the focus today is All Souls, we wanted the opportunity to give thanks for all the Saints. Everyone is welcome to this extra Tuesday Holy Communion Service.

**Wednesday 1 November** at 7.30 pm Bideford Music Club Concert. George Todica on piano, and Charlotte Hoather, soprano. Tickets are £16.50, students and children are free.

### Streams – Wednesday 8 November

Women of all ages are invited to the next Streams on Wed 8 Nov from 2-4 pm at Littleham Village Hall. There will be a variety of crafting activities on offer, interspersed with coffee, cake and chat.

### PLEA FOR CAKES

We would be very grateful of donations of cakes, homemade or bought equally appreciated, for the next Holy Grounds Café on Saturday 11 November (10.30 am to 12.30 pm.)

### HAMPERS

Maggie Murray is very kindly putting together hampers for St Mary's, East-the-Water and West Croft schools. (Please see article in November Newsletter.

Any donations of money (not goods, please) towards the cost of the hampers would be very gratefully received. Please leave them with Debbie, Ro, Lorna, Maggie or Liza in the Church office.

## SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER– LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

### COLLECT

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer,  
grant us, with all the faithful departed,  
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion  
and glorious resurrection  
that, in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### READINGS

I, the Lord your God am holding you by your hand. I say to you "Do not be afraid. I am here to help you". *Isaiah 41:13*

There will be a new heaven and a new earth. God will be with his people.

He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. *Revelation 21:1, 3b, 4*

### THE GOSPEL READING

#### John 14: 1-7 & 25-27

#### Jesus the Way to the Father

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going. 'Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

#### The Promise of the Holy Spirit

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.