

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

Monday 15 July - Swithun, Bishop of Winchester c.862;
Bonaventure, Friar, Bishop, Teacher. 1274

Psalms 1; 1 Samuel 10. 1-16; Luke 22. 24-30

Tuesday 16 July – Osmund, Bishop of Salisbury, 1099

Psalms 5; 1 Samuel 10. 17-end; Luke 22. 31-38

Wednesday 17 July

Psalms 119. 1-32; 1 Samuel 11; Luke 22. 39-46

Thursday 18 July -Elizabeth Ferard, first Deaconess of the Church of England, Founder of the Community of St Andrew, 1883

Psalms 15; 1 Samuel 12; Luke 22. 47-62

Friday 19 July – Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, and his site Macrina, Deaconess, Teachers c. 394 and C379

Psalms 19; 1 Samuel 13. 5-18; Luke 22. 63-end

Saturday 20 July - Margret of Antioch, Martyr, 4th century;
Bartolome de las Casas, Apostle to the Indies, 1556

Psalms 23; 1 Samuel 19. 1-18; Luke 23. 1-12

Sunday 21 July - EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

2 Samuel 7.1-14a; Psalm 89. 20-37; Ephesians 2 11-end; Mark 6. 30-34 & 53-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 14 JULY 2024

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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| 8.00 am | SAID HOLY COMMUNION President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore |
| 9.30 am | FAMILY WORSHIP WITH THE ALL-AGE TEAM AND REV'D ROBIN PIRRIE |
| 11.15 am | ENCOUNTER SERVICE |
| 6 pm | CHORAL EVENSONG AT ST SWITHUN'S, LITTLEHAM |

SUNDAY 21 JULY 2024

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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| 9.30 am | CELTIC COMMUNION President: Archdeacon Verena Breed Talk: Archdeacon Verena Breed |
| 11.15 am | ENCOUNTER SERVICE TALK: Archdeacon Verena Breed |

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

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| Mon 15 July | 9.30 am Holy Dusters |
| Tues 16 | 10.30 am Holy Communion 12.30 pm Funeral of Ken Hill |
| Wed 17 | 9.30 am Music Makers (last one of term) 11.30 am Holy Communion a Moreton Court 3.30 pm Messy Church |
| Thurs 18 | 1.30 pm Adult Confirmation Course in St Mary's House |
| Fri 19 | 11.15 am Friday Diner 6 pm Choir Practice |
| Sat 20 | 8.00 am Morning Prayer 10.00 am Treblemakers (last one of term) |
| Sun 21 | 9.30 am Celtic Communion 11.15 am Encounter Service |

PRAYERS

Please remember the following church family in your prayers: John Day, Gwynne Dendle, John Pearce, Roger Phillips, and Alan Power.

Please also pray for the family and friends of Ken Hill, whose funeral takes place this week in St Mary's Church on Tuesday 16 July at 12.30 pm.

STAY AND PLAY

The dates for this Summer are Wednesdays 31 July, 7, 14 and 21 August from 10 am to 11.30 am. I would love to hear from you if you can help, please.

More information in July's newsletter. Many thanks, Lorna. 01237 477117 dorrinton@btinternet.com

UNDER COUNTER FREEZER NEEDED

A gentleman from the diner is looking for a under counter freezer if anyone knows of one, please let Pattie know.

HELP, PLEASE

A lady from our Church family who now has very poor eyesight would like someone to read the Bible to her. She has limited mobility and lives in Westward Ho!

If you can help, please can you let me know. Many thanks, Lorna 01237 477117 dorrinton@btinternet.com.

WINGS AGM

Wings AGM is on 15 July at 5pm at the Wings Hall, Lower Meddon Street refreshments will be provided. Please let Jo Sawle know if you wish to go. Everyone is welcome.

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF FOODBANK – SATURDAY 27 JULY

Niccy Hunt is holding a Coffee Morning in aid of the Foodbank on Saturday 27 July between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm.

Any homemade cakes for this event would be greatly appreciated. Also, please let Niccy know if you can help at the coffee morning.

CHURCH OFFICE

As of Friday 19 July the church office will be open from 9am - 12 noon

Karen would just like to thank Debbie for all her patience in teaching her about the office.

VISIONING EVENING –22 JULY

Just to remind everyone Archdeacon Verena Breed will be with us on Monday 22 July from 7pm in St Marys Church for a Visioning evening as we consider what we would like from our next Team Vicar. We would love for as many people as possible to attend so we can hear your views, as you are all an integral part of St Marys Church.

Archdeacon Verena will also be with us on Sunday 21 July when she will preach at both the 9.30 am and Encounter Service at 11.15 am.

TALK ABOUT MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP

Sam Baguma from MAF will be preaching on Sunday 28 July at 9.30 am Service at St Mary's.

MISSION GIVING COMMITTEE

If you would like to be part of the group who decides how we allocate our away giving or if you know of any organisations in need. Please can you contact me. More information in July's Newsletter.

Many thanks Lorna 01237 477117 dorrinton@bt.internet.com

FILM NIGHT

We are having a break for July and August we will be back again in September. We will let you know the date nearer the time.

SUNDAY 14 JULY – SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

COLLECT

Almighty God,
by whose grace we celebrate again the feast of your
servant, Swithun:
grant that, as he governed with gentleness the people
committed to his care,
so we, rejoicing in our Christian inheritance,
may always seek to build up your church in unity and
love;
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 forever. Amen

THE FIRST READING – Ephesians 1. 3

Genesis 7:17-8:1, 6-12

For forty days the flood kept coming on the earth, and as the waters increased, they lifted the ark high above the earth. The waters rose and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. They rose greatly on the earth, and all the high mountains under the entire heavens were covered. The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than fifteen cubits. Every living thing that moved on land perished—birds, livestock, wild animals, all the creatures that swarm over the earth, and all mankind. Everything on dry land that had the breath of life in its nostrils died. Every living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out; people and animals and the creatures that move along the ground and the birds were wiped from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those with him in the ark.

The waters flooded the earth for a hundred and fifty days.

But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded.

After forty days Noah opened a window, he had made in the ark and sent out a raven, and it kept flying back and forth until the water had dried up from the earth. Then he sent out a dove to see if the water had receded from the surface of the ground. But the dove could find nowhere to perch because there was water over all the surface of the earth; so, it returned to Noah in the ark. He reached out his hand and took the dove and brought it back to himself in the ark. He waited seven more days and again sent out the dove from the ark. When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth. He waited seven more days and sent the dove out again, but this time it did not return to him.

SECOND READING Matthew 5:43-48

Love for Enemies

“You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.