THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

Monday 22 July Mary Magdalene

Psalm 30; 1 Samuel 16. 14-end; Luke 8.1-3

Tuesday 23 July Bridget abbess 1373

Psalm 36; 1 Samuel 15. 1-23; Luke 23. 26-43

Wednesday 24 July

Psalm 34.; 1 Samuel 16; Luke 23. 44-56a

Thursday 25 July - James the Apostle

Psalm 7; 2 Kings 1. 9-15; Luke 9. 46-56

Friday 26 July Anne and Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Psalm 31; 1 Samuel 17. 31-54; Luke 24.13-35

Saturday 27 July

Psalm 42; 1 Samuel 17.55 - 18.16; Luke 24. 36-end

Sunday 28 July -Ninth Sunday after Trinity

2 Kings 4-42-end; Ephesians 3 14-end; John 6 1-21

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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 21 JULY 2024 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30 am **CELTIC COMMUNION**

President: Archdeacon Verena Breed Talk: Archdeacon Verena Breed

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

Talk: Archdeacon Verena Breed

SUNDAY 28 JULY 2024 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

9.30 am Morning Worship with Holy Communion

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

Talk: Sam Baguma (Christian Aviation Fellowship)

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

Talk: Sam Baguma (CAF)

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 22 July 9.30 am Holy Dusters

7 pm Visioning Meeting with Archdeacon Verena

Wed 24 July 1.30 pm Adult Confirmation Class in St Mary's House

Thurs 25 July 2 pm M.U Summer Garden Party Yelland

Fri 26 July 11.15 am Friday Diner Sat 27 July 8.00 am Morning Prayer

10.30 am Coffee Morning for Foodbank

Sun 28 July 8.00 am Said Holy Communion

9.30 am Morning Worship with Holy 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, Marian Johns.

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

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. Many thanks, Lorna 01237 477117 dorrinton@btinternet.com.

UCAN SUNDAY

Next week is UCAN Sunday when we would be grateful for 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.

VISIONING EVENING - MONDAY 22 JULY AT 7PM

Please try and come to this evening with Archdeacon Verena Breed in St Mary's Church when we talk through what qualities we would like in the next Team Vicar.

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 noon.

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

PLEASE NOTE A SLIGHT CHANGE TO HOLY COMMUNION

The House of Bishops have advised Churches to offer Communion as bread and wine. If you are nervous of this, Communion of one kind is offered. (the wafer) without intinction.

SUNDAY 21 JULY - EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

COLLECT

Lord God

Your Son left the riches of Heaven And became poor for our sake When we prosper save us from pride When we are needy save us from despair That we may trust in your alone

That we may trust in your alon Through Jesus Christ our Lord

THE FIRST READING - Ephesians 2.11-end One in Christ

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So, he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So, then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

THE SECOND READING - Mark 6.30-34, 53-end Feeding the Five Thousand

The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many thing

Healing the Sick in Gennesaret

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.