THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

Monday 29 July Mary, Martha and Lazarus

Psalm 44; 1 Samuel 19. 1-18; Acts 1. 1-14

Tuesday 30 July William Wilberforce, Olaudah Equiano and Thomas Clarkson anti-slavery campaigners

Psalm 48; 1 Samuel 20. 1-17; Acts 1.15 - end

Wednesday 31 July Ignatius of Loyola founder of the Society of Jesus 1556

Psalm 119.57-80.; 1 Samuel 20. 18-end; Acts 2. 1-21

Thursday 1 August Lammas Day

Psalm 57; 1 Samuel 21. 1-22.5; Acts 2. 22-36

Friday 2 August

Psalm 51; 1 Samuel 22. 6-end; Acts 2.37-end

Saturday 3 August

Psalm 68; 1 Samuel 23; Acts 3. 1-10

Sunday 4 August

Exodus 16.2-4. 9-15; Ephesians 4. 1-16; John 6 24-35

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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 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)

SUNDAY 4 AUGUST 2024 TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30 am Morning Worship with Holy Communion and Junior Church

President: Rev'd Madeline Bray

Talk: Robin Pirrie

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

Talk: Robin Pirrie

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 29 July 9.30 am Holy Dusters

7.30pm PCC meeting

Wed 31 July 10am-12pm Stay and Play

Thurs 1 August 10am Rota service planning meeting

Fri 2 August 11.15 am Friday Diner Sat 3 August 8.00 am Morning Prayer 8.30am Men's Breakfast

!1am Wedding Blessing Tom and Sue Downie

Sun 28 July 9.30 am Morning Worship with Holy Communion and Junior

church

11.15 am Encounter Service

PRAYERS

Please remember the following church family in your prayers: John Day, 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

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MISSION GIVING COMMITTEE

Lorna would like to thank all those who offered to help and she will get back to you all In September with a date for a meeting.

UCAN SUNDAY

This 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 ne

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF FOODBANK - SATURDAY 27 JULY

Karen is holding a Coffee Morning in aid of the Alzheimer's on Saturday 10^{th} August between 10.30 am and 12 noon.

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

TASTER SESSION

There is a taster session for the Crypt Youth Group on August 1st between 4-6pm. There will be games, crafts,music,chilling and games consoles

SUNDAY 28 JULY – NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY COLLECT

Gracious Father
Revive your church in our day
And make her holy, strong and faithful,
For your glory's sake
In Jesus Christ our Lord

THE FIRST READING - Ephesians 3. 14-21

For this reason, I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SECOND READING- John 21. 15-19

Jesus and Peter

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him. 'Follow me.'