

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATIONS

Monday 19 August

Psalms 98; 2 Samuel 11; Acts 8. 26-end

Tuesday 20 August – Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher, 1153; William and Catherine Booth, Founders of the Salvation Army, 1912 and 1890

Psalms 106; 2 Samuel 12. 1-25; Acts 9. 1-19a

Wednesday 21 August

Psalms 111; 2 Samuel 15. 1-12; Acts 9. 19b-31

Thursday 22 August

Psalms 115; 2 Samuel 15. 13-end; Acts 9. 32-end

Friday 23 August

Psalms 139; 2 Samuel; 16. 1-14; Acts 10. 1-16

Saturday 24 August – BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE

Psalms 116; Ecclesiasticus 39.1-10; Matthew 10.1-15

Sunday 25 August –Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

1 Kings 8. 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6. 10-20; John 6. 56-69

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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 18 AUGUST 2024 TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30 am CELTIC COMMUNION AND JUNIOR CHURCH
President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore
Talk: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

*Rev'd Madeline taking 9.30am Holy Communion at Weare Giffard
and 11am Holy Communion at Littleham*

SUNDAY 25 AUGUST 2024 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION
President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

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

11.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

*Rev'd Kevin Beer taking 11am Holy Communion at Landcross
Sarah Cordingley taking 11am Morning Praise at Littleham*

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 19 Aug | 9.30 am Holy Dusters |
| Tues 20 | 10.30 am Holy Communion 2.30 pm Reflections |
| Wed 21 | 10-11.30 am Stay and Play 11.30 am Holy Communion at Moreton Court |
| Fri 23 | 11.15 am Friday Diner |
| Sat 24 | 8.00 am Morning Prayer |
| Sun 25 | 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, Marian Johns, Roger Phillips, and Alan Power.

CRYPT YOUTH

The Crypt Youth will launch on Thursday 5 September with two sessions running every Thursday evening: 4-5.30 pm for 7-11 year-olds and 5.30-7 pm for 11-16-year-olds.

MISSION AWAY GIVING COMMITTEE

The Mission Away Giving Committee will be meeting in September to look at the allocations of money. If a charity or group are on your heart, and is in need of support, please can you let me know. We tend to have a mixture of national, local, Christian and secular. Thank you, Lorna Dorrinton on 01237 477117 or dorrinton@btinternet.com

THANK YOU FROM KAREN JOHNS

I would just like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped me at the coffee morning and thanks to everyone for their generosity. We raised £216.11! Thank you to Sheenah for the extra 89p she gave me to make it up to £217.

Coffee mornings are a lovely social event and a way to raise money for good causes come along and support us.

REFRESHMENTS TEAM

We would like to put together a Refreshments Team who would be able to set-up/serve refreshments/wash-up at events taking place in St Mary's Church.

We would like to have enough people on the team so there can be some rotation.

If you would like to help in this form of outreach, please let Debbie or Karen know in the office, and we will add you to the team and let you know as and when events are planned.

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.

SUNDAY 18 AUGUST – TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

COLLECT

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE FIRST READING – Ephesians 5. 15 - 20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SECOND READING- - John 6: 51 – 58

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'