### THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND DEDICATION

**Monday 11 November -** Martin, Bishop of Tours. c. 397 Psalm 20; Daniel 4. 19-end; Revelation 5

# **Tuesday 12 November**

Psalm 21; Daniel 5. 1-12; Revelation 6

**Wednesday 13 November** – Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836

Psalm 23; Daniel 5. 13-end; Revelation 7. 1-4, 9-end

**Thursday 14 November –** Samuel Seabury, first Anglican Bishop in North America, 1796

Psalm 26; Daniel 6; Revelation 8

# **Friday 15 November**

Psalm 32; Daniel 7. 1-14; Revelation 9. 1-12

Saturday 16 November – Margaret, Queen of Scotland, Philanthropist, Reformer of the Church, 1093; Edmund Rich of

Abingdon, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1240

Psalm 33; Daniel 7. 15-end; Revelation 9. 13-end

# Sunday 17 November -THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Daniel 12. 1-3; Hebrews 10. 11-14, 19-25; Mark 1.29-39

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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 10 NOVEMBER 2024 THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

8.00am SAID HOLY COMMUNION

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

11.30 am REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

Talk: Rev'd Alan Glover

NO ENCOUNTER SERVICE

# MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2024 ARMISTICE DAY

10.50 am Armistice Service by memorial outside St Mary's

Church.

# SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2024 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

9.30 am CELTIC COMMUNION AND JUNIOR CHURCH

President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie
Talk: Rev'd Robin Pirrie

1.15 am ENCOUNTER SERVICE

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# **Dates of Events and Meetings**

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Mon 11	9.30 am Holy Dusters
	10.50 am Armistice Service by memorial outside
	St Mary's Church
	2.00 pm Mothers Union
	7.00 pm PCC Meeting
Tues 12	7.30 pm Northam Choral Rehearsal
Wed 13	9.30 am Music Makers
Thurs 14	4-5.30 pm Crypt Youth (7-11s)
	5.30-7 pm Crypt Youth (11-16s)
Fri 15	11.15 am-12.30 pm Friday Diner
	2.30 pm Funeral of Graham Braddick
	6.00 pm Choir practice
Sat 16	8.00 am Morning Prayer
	10.00 am Treblemakers
Sun 17	9.30 am Celtic Communion and Junior Church
	11.15 am Encounter

#### ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

There will be the opportunity to join the quiet Service of Remembrance outside, tomorrow on Monday 11 November, between 10.50 and 11.10 am, by the memorial outside St Mary's Church.

#### **PRAYERS**

Please remember the following church family in your prayers: John Day, Marian Johns, Roger Phillips, and Alan Power.

We pray for the family and friends of Graham Braddick ahead of his funeral on Friday 15 November at 2.30 pm.

We also pray for Dorothy, Ben Jonathan, Justine, Ewan, Callum and the family and friends of Tony Duhig, ahead of his funeral a St Mary's Church at 1.30 pm on Monday 18 November which everyone is very welcome to attend.

#### **ADVENT REFLECTIONS AT ST MARY'S CHURCH**

On Wednesday 20 November at 7.30 pm we will begin our weekly time of worship and reflection for Advent. This will run four weeks and will reflect on the Magi, their journey and their gifts. We will look at the traditional view of the Magi and contrast it with the various biblical and historical accounts of these traveller. There will be Advent hymns, a short talk and tie for individual reflection. We hope you will join us at this special time of year as we prepare to welcome the Christ child into our lives.

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE NATVITY PLAYS**

Calling all Thespians! Or just willing participants!

We need you for the Christmas Eve nativity play if you will be around then. There are two performances on the day at  $2.30~\mathrm{pm}$  and  $4~\mathrm{pm}$ .

The rehearsals are on the following Saturdays: -

30 November 7 December

COLLECT

21 December Times to be decided.

Please speak to Pattie if you can be part of the team.

# SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER -THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## THE FIRST READING - Isaiah 2.3 - 4

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

### THE SECOND READING -John 15, 9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.