

ST. MARY'S CHURCH AWAY GIVING

As a church community we embrace Jesus' words to give to those in need and therefore each year donate 10% of our income to support charities working both at home and abroad.

During the next couple of months, the Mission Away Giving Committee will be looking at how we recommend the money is spent for 2025.

If you have an organisation which God has placed on your heart we would love to hear from you. Please can you supply

- The name of the group
- The work in which it is involved
- A short idea of how the money would be spent
- A name and contact details

Thank you. Lorna Dorrinton on 01237 477117 dorrinton@btinternet.com make known to you."

FROM LORNA

Thank you so much to God, to our wonderful NHS and to you all for your love, prayers, concern, kindness and practical help during the last couple of weeks. It has been amazing.

At the moment I am not able to drive so am at home more. If you are passing please do call in and have a cup of something.

With much love Lorna 01237 477117

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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 15 JUNE 2025 TRINITY SUNDAY

10.30 am 5 Parish Confirmation Service
President; Bishop of Exeter,
The Rt. Rev'd Dr Mike Harrison

12.15 pm Confirmation Celebration Lunch

SUNDAY 22 June 2025 THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am Said Holy Communion
President: Rev'd Madeline Bray

9.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion
President: Rev'd Madeline Bray

11.15 Encounter

(11am Holy Communion, Landcross- Rev'd Fran Allison)
(11am Holy Communion Littleham – Rev'd Robin Pirrie)

COLLECT

Heavenly Father
by the power of your Holy Spirit
you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism
guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love,
and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever Amen

FIRST READING –Romans 5. 1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

GOSPEL READING – JOHN 16.12-15

"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will

PRAYERS

Please pray for baby Luke Anderson, Rachel Millard, and Mike Johns. Please pray for the family of Christopher Lee whose funeral is at 2pm on Thursday 26th June

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION TODAY

We welcome today The Right Reverend Dr Mike Harrison, Bishop of Exeter and the Confirmation and Baptism candidates Sheenah Middle, Tom Benson, Amelie Slade, Elodie Powell, Samantha, Shane and Sasha Bengey, Sam Pirrie, Christopher and Catherine Marshall and Brandon Neal and their families. Please keep them in your prayers as they are baptised and confirmed in this service.

TUESDAY 17 JUNE AT 7.30PM

Archdeacons Visitation Service at St Margarets Church, Northam at 7.30pm where Justine Duhig and Sally Strutt will be installed as our Church wardens. It would be lovely if some members of our Church congregation will come along and support them at this important service.

DATES OF EVENTS AND MEETINGS THIS WEEK

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| Mon 16 | 9.30 am Holy Dusters |
| Tues 17 | 10.30am Holy Communion Service 7.30pm Archdeacon Visitation service St Margarets Northam |
| Wed 18 | 9.30 am Music Makers |
| Thurs 19 | 4-5.30 pm Crypt Youth (7-11s) 5.30-7 pm (11-16s) |
| Fri 20 | 11.15 am -1 pm Friday Diner 6 pm Choir Practice |
| Sat 21 | 8 am Morning Prayer 10 am Treblemakers |
| Sun 22 | 8am Said Holy Communion 9.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion 11.15 am Encounter |

SATURDAY 5 JULY – WOMEN'S BREAKFAST (9.30AM) THE DURRANT HOTEL, NORTHAM

Thanks to all who came to our inaugural Breakfast earlier this year and we'll hope to see you at the next one. Please do invite a friend if you'd like to – not necessarily a Christian friend because we want to welcome everyone.

We'll enjoy a full English breakfast, cooked to order with any special dietary needs catered for. It's a lovely opportunity to chat and get to know people in a relaxed environment, with no washing up after!

The cost is £10 per person which has to be paid to be paid to the Durrant in advance, so you'll need to pay on sign up and we won't be able to issue any refund after the Sunday prior to the breakfast (Sunday 29 June). There are sign-up sheets in Church and if you'd like any more details, please speak to Lorna Thomas (at 'Encounter') or Karen Johns or Sarah Cordingley

CREATION FEST August 2nd WADEBRIDGE CORNWALL

The event is celebrating the good news of the God that loves us. There are things to do for all the family from live music to Speakers, a youth tent to a field of fun, from rock climbing to axe throwing a café and an exhibition. The cost is £15 for the day. If this is something you would be interested in attending, please let Robin Pirrie 07584261686 or Karen Johns 07368637664 know.

The website for more information is creationfest.org.uk

THURSDAYS THROUGHOUT SUMMER AT 7.30PM

Bideford Town Band are holding outdoor concerts at Westward Ho! Green this is weather permitting. Would be great to support them as they are local to us and would be a lovely evening out

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE—DAVID'S FILM NIGHT

(For those who live alone but would like to watch a film with others) The next one will be on Wednesday 25 June, 6.45 for 7 pm. Please let David Sparkes know by 22nd June if you would like to come.