

NEXT SUNDAY 22 APRIL 2018
EASTER 3
'EARTHDAY'
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Readings: Acts 4: 5-12 John 10: 11-18

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

10 am HOLY COMMUNION
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7 pm WORD AND WORSHIP

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND SERVICES

Monday 16 April

Ps 96; Exod ch 19; Luke 1: 1-25

Tuesday 17 April

Acts 7: 51-8: 1a; Ps 31: 1-5, 16; John 6: 30-35

10.30 am Communion, Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore

Wednesday 18 April

Ps 105; Exod ch 24; Luke 1: 39-56

Thursday 19 April, Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1012

Ps 136; Exod 25: 1-22; Luke 1: 57-end

Friday 20 April

Ps 107; Exod 28: 1-4a, 29-38; Luke 2: 1-20

Saturday 21 April, Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher, 1109

Ps 110; Exod 29: 1-9; Luke 2: 21-40

8 am Prayers

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BIDEFORD PARISH BULLETIN

Part of the Mission Community of
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and Weare Giffard

Our Purpose:

TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

SUNDAY 15 APRIL 2018
EASTER 2

**'EASTER PEOPLE CARING FOR
OUR ENVIRONMENT'**

**With guest speaker Martyn Goss -
Environmental Officer for Exeter
Diocese.**

We welcome Martyn Goss to our 10 am worship today to help us reflect on how we can be co-partners with God in caring for the earth. A precursor for 'Earthday' next Sunday!

WELCOME! Please stay for tea or coffee after the service—we would love to chat with you.

If you don't normally take communion but would like God's blessing, please come up to the altar rail holding this bulletin. Alcohol free wine is available at the 10 am service: please go to the right hand side of the altar and then ask the chalice administrator.

Tonight's service is Taize at 7 pm.

This Sunday is *UCAN SUNDAY* when your gifts of cans and/or cash are appreciated for those in need.

We *WELCOME* Faith Petry, Vinnie Birtwistle and Albert Grant as they come to be baptised into the Church family (12.30 pm, 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm respectively), and also their families and friends.

Tea With Friends will be **this Wed 18 April** at 2.00 pm in St Mary's Church. Marion Barnes will be talking about 'Life as a Truant Officer'.

Next Sunday is our *ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING* (APCM) at 11.45 am, when we hear what's happened over the past year, what is to come - *and* to elect 2 Churchwardens, 10 PCC Members (1 year term); and also 1 Deanery Synod Rep (3 year term). *Please consider who you would like to be part of the leadership team of your church - and if it could be you?*

Please *PICK UP* the APCM Agenda, Report booklet etc to read beforehand - but please bring them with you for the meeting itself (to save costs).

Following the APCM on **Sunday 22 April** we have a *PARISH LUNCH* at The Royal Hotel, 1 pm for 1.30 pm, £15.90 per person for carvery and dessert. Please sign the list at back of church. **Names by today please.**

Please can anyone offer to take Wayne to Exeter on Saturday 26 May so that he may complete his Pastoral Care Course. Please contact 477117 or Church Office if you can help, thank you.

If you have not yet handed in your money from the Smarties tubes or the Count Your Blessings leaflets please can you give to Sue Jeffery or Maggie Webster as soon as possible please.

The next book for *BOOKWORMS* is 'Syrian Coffee' by Angela Formby which will be discussed on Mon 30 April. Newcomers welcome: phone Maggie on 477568.

COMING UP ... from Ascension to Pentecost
10-20 May 2018
'THY KINGDOM COME'

This is nationwide initiative by Archbishops and Bishops in our Diocese 'Simply asking people to pray in whatever way they want, with whoever they want and wherever they can, that others might know Jesus Christ.'

As Messy Church, home groups, prayer stations in church etc, how can we 'open the doors of prayer' and help God's Kingdom to grow?

More information to follow but in the meantime please look at www.thykingdomcome.global

Wooda Surgery offers a Befriending Service for isolated/lonely, local patients and *NEEDS MORE BEFRIENDERS*. If you could spend an hour a week befriending somebody please call Justine at WoodaPlus for details, on 427813.

DIARY DATES

⇒ **APPLEDORE SINGERS in concert on Sat 21 April** at 7 pm at Northam Methodist Church. Admission £5 adults, £4 senior citizens, £3 children. All proceeds for Church funds. Tel 01237 420652 for further info.

Please pray for those people living in:

Monday: Glenburnie Road, Glen Gardens
Tuesday: Glendale Terrace, Glenfield Road
Wednesday: Glentorr Road, Godborough View
Thursday: Grenville Estate, Grenville Estate Cres
Friday: Grenville Street, Grenville Ridge
Saturday: Grenville Terrace, Hamilton Close

When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place.

Thank You ...

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA,
*Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen.

We have been crucified with Christ,
Now we shall live forever.

God has proclaimed the just reward,
Life for all men, alleluia!

Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

CLOSING HYMN

TO GOD BE THE GLORY! GREAT THINGS HE
HATH DONE!

So loved He the world that He gave us His
Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the
Son;
And give Him the glory, great things He
hath done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of
blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things
He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the
Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we
see!

OFFERTORY HYMN

HALLELUJAH! SING TO JESUS;
His the sceptre, His the throne;
Hallelujah! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark, the songs of holy Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
'Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by His blood.'

Hallelujah! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Hallelujah! He is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the clouds from sight received Him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
'I am with you ever more'?

Hallelujah! Bread of Angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Hallelujah! here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Hallelujah! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, heaven Thy throne;
Thou within the veil hath entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

COMMUNION HYMN

THERE IS A REDEEMER,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit —
Till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.

Thank You ...

Please pray for those who are sick:

Jean Bale, Maryanne Benson, Trish Bishop, Pauline Carpenter, Nicky Day, Cynthia Ettling, Tyler Hooper, Pam Jarvis, Graham Johnston, Eileen King, Enid Parish, Alan Power, Beryl Pullin, Kevin Smith, Betty Thompson, Iris Way, Phyllis Ward, Marion Woolf

Please remember the souls of the departed and the families of those who have recently been bereaved, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Dates of Events and Meetings

Mon 16 Apr	6-7.30 pm Cryptonites Youth Group 7.30 pm Standing Committee
Tues 17 Apr	2.30 pm Reflections 7 pm All Age Planning
Wed 18 Apr	9.45 and 11 am Music Makers 10.45 am Reflections Team Meeting 2 pm Tea With Friends
Thurs 19 Apr	6.30-8 pm Children Confirmation Class At the Rectory
Sat 21 Apr	10-12.30 pm Adult Confirmation Class at The Rectory
Sun 22 Apr	11.45 am APCM 1.00 for 1.30 pm Parish Lunch at Royal Hotel

ENTRANCE HYMN

LONGING FOR LIGHT we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth we turn to you.
Make us your own your holy people
Light for the world to see.

*Christ be our light
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness
Christ be our light
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others.
Shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others.
Walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people.
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another.
Making your kingdom come.

COLLECT

Risen Christ,
You filled your disciples with boldness and
fresh hope:
strengthen us also to proclaim your
risen life and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

THE FIRST READING

Romans 8: 18-25

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

GRADUAL HYMN

THE PRICE IS PAID,
Come let us enter in
To all that Jesus died
To make our own.
For every sin
More than enough He gave,
And bought our freedom
From each guilty stain.

*The price is paid,
Alleluia,
Amazing grace,
So strong and sure;
And so with all my heart,
My life in every part,
I live to thank You for
The price You paid.*

The price is paid,
See Satan flee away;
For Jesus crucified
Destroys his power.
No more to pay,
Let accusation cease,
In Christ there is
No condemnation now.

The price is paid,
And by that scourging cruel
He took our sicknesses
As if His own.
And by His wounds,
His body broken there,
His healing touch may now
By faith be known.

The price is paid,
'Worthy the Lamb' we cry,
Eternity shall never
Cease His praise.
The church of Christ
Shall rule upon the earth,
In Jesus' name we have
Authority.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12: 22-34

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you— you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.'