

Collect for Today

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Readings for This Week (may vary)

1 Samuel 3.1-10[11-20]
(Psalm 139.1-5,12-18*)
Revelation 5.1-10
John 1.43-51

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Genesis 14.17-20
(Psalm 128)
Revelation 19.6-10
John 2.1-11

Verse for the Week:

‘Then the Lord came and stood and called as before,
“Samuel, Samuel!” And Samuel said “Speak Lord, for
your servant is listening.”’ **1 Sam. 3: 10**

Prayer & Reading Diary Bratton Clovelly

Monday

Read: Genesis 14.17-20

Prayer: Church groups and committees, PCC
members, Church Wardens and officers.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 128

Prayer: The young people in the village and those
in education, especially at Boasley Cross School and
Okehampton College; and all those at university and
college.

Wednesday

Read: Revelation 19.6-10

Prayer: The older people in the community and
those who have recently moved into the village.

Thursday

Read: John 2.1-11

Prayer: The sick at home or in hospital and anyone
suffering either mentally or physically in the
community.

Friday

Read: Jonah 3.1-5,10

Prayer: Methodist chapels and our continuing co-
operation with them and all those who minister in our
churches throughout the team.

Saturday

Read: John 3.16-21

Prayer: The Parish Council, Parish Hall Committee
and all other organisations.

Notices:



If you want to make sure everyone knows about
events taking place in your church, publicise it in the
Grapevine – just email the details to the Editor @
grapevine.northmoor@aol.com

Dates for your Diary:



Church Services:

Sunday 14th January

(2nd Sunday of Epiphany)

9:30am

Northlew – Holy Communion
Jacobstowe – Morning Prayer
Belstone – Holy Communion
Inwardleigh – Morning Prayer
Bridestowe – Holy Communion

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion
Lydford – Holy Communion
Hatherleigh – Morning Service
Meeth – Morning Prayer



Sunday 21st January

(3rd Sunday of Epiphany)

9:30am

Belstone – Morning Prayer
Inwardleigh – Holy Communion
Meeth – Morning Praise
Northlew – Plough Service
Bratton Clovelly – Holy Communion

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion
Lydford – Morning Prayer
Hatherleigh – Family Service
Exbourne – Morning Prayer
Bridestowe – Joint Service with Methodists

3:00pm

Jacobstowe – Plough Service

7:00pm

Hatherleigh – Prayer and Praise

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2nd Sunday of Epiphany



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Our readings this week have this in common; they are both about ordinary people receiving their call from God. What's interesting, and maybe comforting, is that those involved aren't always too sure what's going on, and they certainly didn't go on to get everything right thereafter.

Samuel thinks God's voice is Eli calling from another room, and Nathaniel can't believe anything good can come out of Nazareth. Happily, they both work out what's happening and join in with God's unfolding plan in the world.

Hearing God is one of the trickiest aspects of being a Christian. As soon as someone writes a book about 'how' God speaks, they're immediately proven wrong by someone's experience. But, I urge you, don't give up! Hearing God personally, and responding rightly, is the pathway to discovering our unique purpose in his plan and ultimate fulfilment. He has 'prepared good works in advance for [each of] us to do', which fulfil the desires of our hearts which He, as our creator, put there in the first place.

So be ready to hear God in unexpected ways; He's more than capable of getting through if we're willing to be attentive. And if we fail along the way? Fear not, you are not powerful enough to derail the purposes of God, but precious enough for Him to want you involved.

Leigh Winsbury