

Collect for Today

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
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)

Amos 7.7-17
(Psalm 82)
Colossians 1.1-14
Luke 10.25-37

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Amos 8.1-12
(Psalm 52)
Colossians 1.15-28
Luke 10.38-42

Verse for the Week:

‘...’Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?’” The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”
Luke 10: 36, 37

Prayer & Reading Diary Bratton Clovelly

Monday

Read: Amos 8.1-12

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

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 52

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: Colossians 1.15-28

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

Thursday

Read: Luke 10.38-42

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

Friday

Read: Deuteronomy 30.1-10

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

Saturday

Read: 1 Peter 3.8-18

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

Notices:



* South Tamar Mission Community

The Churchwardens and Parochial Church Councils of the Benefice of Milton Abbot, Dunterton, Lamerton, Sydenham Damerel, Marystowe and Coryton warmly invite you to join them for the **Licensing of The Reverend Gillian George** as Priest in Charge by the Bishop of Plymouth, The Right Reverend James Grier on **Tuesday 22nd July 2025 at 7pm in the Parish Church of St Constantine, Milton Abbot, PL19 OPA**

Parking is available at Milton Abbot Primary School
PLI 9 OPS Refreshments will be served after the service

Visiting clergy and licensed lay ministers are invited to robe in choir dress

RSVP with numbers, including if robing, to
liz.padmore46@gmail.com by Sat 12th July

* Prayer during the Interregnum

Every Monday morning at 10.30am 8 people, at the moment, are praying specifically that the right person is appointed as Incumbent. If you would like to join with us, please do. If you could drop me an email mwebberm@yahoo.co.uk, or phone 07791798983 saying that is what you are doing that would be encouraging. Many thanks. Maurie

* **Okehampton All Saint's Parish Church** is open every Tuesday morning between 10am and 12 noon for prayer. This is an opportunity to meet and pray with others, or just to sit quietly. Refreshments will be available.

* **St James Chapel**, in the centre of Okehampton, is open all day, every day. **Every Thursday:** 10am Communion at St James, Okehampton.

Dates for your diary :



*** Don't forget to advertise any upcoming summer events HERE!**

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Church Services:



Sunday 13th July

(4th Sunday after Trinity)

9:30am

Bridestowe – Morning Prayer
Bratton Clovelly - Holy Communion
Belstone - Celtic Morning Prayer
Inwardleigh - Holy Communion
Jacobstowe – Morning Prayer
Northlew - Holy Communion

11:00am

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

Sunday 20th July

(5th Sunday after Trinity)

8:30am

Sticklepath - Holy Communion

9:30am

Belstone – Holy Communion
Inwardleigh - No Service (Village Fair)
Bratton Clovelly - Morning Prayer
Meeth – Morning Praise
Exbourne – Holy Communion
Northlew – Morning Prayer

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion
Hatherleigh – Family Service
Lydford – Morning Prayer
Bridestowe – United Service at Methodists

7:00pm

Hatherleigh - Prayer and Praise

Wednesday 23rd July

Jacobstowe – Pastoral Festival @ 7pm

Grapevine

**4th Sunday after Trinity
13th July 2025**



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Whenever I read the story of the good Samaritan, my mind goes back to an evening in my youth while walking home late one night and finding myself laying in the road being kicked all over by a gang of 'Mod's'. Wondering how bad it was going to get, I heard a new voice yell 'Oi', and suddenly found myself alone, looking up into the face of my rescuer; a scruffy looking chap who lived opposite us who my folks found quite unnerving. I remember deciding never to judge anyone ever again. I also vowed at that moment never to walk past a similar incident, now knowing just how cowardly gangs of bullies really are, and I have indeed repeated my rescuers actions many times with the same results; the cowards always run off when challenged.

I recently watched a video of a staged child kidnapping in broad daylight in a town centre; an experiment to see if people would actually help. Pitifully few stepped up in the heat of the moment. Famously misquoted and attributed variously to Edmund Burke, or John Stuart Mill; 'The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing', comes to mind. Or if you prefer, 'Anyone then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins.' James 4: 17.

It's worth remembering that Adam's original sin was passivity; not challenging the snake but leaving his wife to deal with it. Let us not be passive in our turn, but active to the good of those around us.

Revd. Leigh Winsbury