

Collect for Today

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest
in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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)

Jeremiah 29.1,4-7
(Psalm 66.1-11)
2 Timothy 2.8-15
Luke 17.11-19

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Jeremiah 31.27-34
(Psalm 119.97-104)
2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5
Luke 18.1-8

Verse for the Week:

“If the prophet had commanded you to do something
difficult, would you not have done it?
How much more, when all he said to you was, “Wash
and be clean?” **2 Kings 5 v 13**

Prayer & Reading Diary Bratton Clovelly

Monday

Read: Jeremiah 31.27-34
Prayer: Church groups and committees, PCC
members, Church Wardens and officers.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 119.97-104
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: 2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5
Prayer: The older people in the community and
those who have recently moved into the village.

Thursday

Read: Luke 18.1-8
Prayer: The sick at home or in hospital and anyone
suffering either mentally or physically in the
community.

Friday

Read: Isaiah 54.1-14
Prayer: Methodist chapels and our continuing co-
operation with them and all those who minister in our
churches throughout the team.

Saturday

Read: Luke 13.31-35
Prayer: The Parish Council, Parish Hall Committee
and all other organisations.

Notices:



* Inwardleigh - Harvest Festival

Our harvest service is on **Sunday 12th October** at 3.30 pm
with refreshments afterwards.

Also the **harvest supper is on Monday 13th October** at
7.30 at Folly Gate parish hall. To book the supper please
contact Brenda Hooper on 07810 124288

* Prayer during the Interregnum

Lord, you know what we need before we ask. Be
with us and guide us as we seek a new Incumbent.
Open our eyes to new opportunities and possibilities and
give us clear minds and open hearts that we may trust in
your will for us, and your timing. We ask all this through
Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

* **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.

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Dates for your diary :



* **Sunday 2nd November: *An All-Soul's Concert* with *Jim Causley*** at St. Mary's Church, starting at 3pm. Donations on the door.

* **Quiz Night: Saturday 11th October** at Sticklepath Village Hall. 7pm for 7:30pm start. £10 per team of 4. Book with Niki Wooldridge on 01837 840876

* **Art exhibition, entitled: "Jesus Laughing and Loving."**

We are holding the above exhibition over the weekend of **Friday 17th October - Sunday 19th October**, from 10.00 - 4.30pm at Church House, next to St. Andrew's, South Tawton, near Okehampton, along with refreshments, teas, coffees, savouries and cakes, etc.

* **Cabaret Evening** with two course meal

Friday 17th Oct. 7 for 7:30 All Saints Church Hall
Songs from the musicals from students at Okehampton College.

Tickets £15 proceeds to Church funds.

List at the back of church or phone Mish Flexman on 07913329148

Church Services:

Friday 10th October
Meeth - Harvest Supper @7pm

Sunday 12th October

(17th Sunday after Trinity)

9:30am

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

10:30am

Sticklepath - Harvest Service

11:00am

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

3:30pm

Inwardleigh - Harvest Festival

Sunday 19th October

(18th Sunday after Trinity)

8:30am

Sticklepath - Holy Communion

9:30am

Belstone - Holy Communion
Inwardleigh - Morning Prayer
Northlew - Morning Prayer
Exbourne - Holy Communion
Bratton Clovelly - Morning Prayer

11:00am

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

7:00pm

Hatherleigh- Prayer and Praise



Grapevine

17th Sunday after Trinity

12th October 2025



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What's Beneath Your Armour?

Naaman was a mighty warrior, a man of status and victory. But beneath his armour, hidden from sight, was something he couldn't control—leprosy. No amount of success or reputation could erase the reality of his condition. His healing began, not with power or wealth, but with a simple act of obedience.

Like Naaman, we all carry things beneath our armour—wounds, fears, shame, sin, or struggles we don't want others to see. We cover them with busyness, achievement, or even religious activity. But true healing comes when we humble ourselves before God, allowing Him to work in ways we may not expect.

Naaman resisted at first. He didn't approve of the cure - wash in the Jordan seven times. But when he dropped his pride and obeyed, he was restored. How often do we reject God's way because it is not what we envisioned?

God sees beneath our armour. He isn't asking for status or perfection—only trust and obedience. So, what are you carrying beneath your armour? Instead of covering it up, bring it to God in prayer and allow Him to lead your healing process. Take the simple step of faith God is calling you to—whether in confession, forgiveness, or obedience. His way leads to restoration.

- If it's a hurt, choose forgiveness, even if just in your heart.
- If it's fear or doubt, step out in faith where God is calling you.
- If it's pride, practice humility by asking for help or admitting weakness.
- If it's shame or sin, confess it to God and receive His grace.

Olive Bush