

Collect for Today

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate
of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen 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)

Acts 7.55-60
(Psalm 31.1-5,15-16*)
1 Peter 2.2-10
John 14.1-14

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Acts 17.22-31
Psalm 66.7-18
1 Peter 3.13-22
John 14.15-21

Verse for the Week:

Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."

John 14.1-4

Prayer & Reading Diary Inwardleigh

Monday

Read: Acts 17.22-31

Prayer: Pray for our vicars that are keeping our churches open week on week. Pray for all the officers and members of the PCC.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 66.7-18

Prayer: Pray for the young people who are taking their A level exams this week may they do well.

Wednesday

Read: 1 Peter 3.13-22

Prayer: Pray for the elderly and all people that are sick also for those who are recovering from major operations may they make a swift recovery.

Thursday

Read: John 14.15-21

Prayer: Pray for all the farmers and workers that work the farms as they go about their work these are long days for them at the moment: silaging, ploughing and tilling the new crops. please keep them safe.

Friday

Read: Job 14.1-2,7-15; 19.23-27a

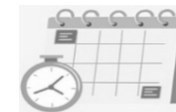
Prayer: Pray for the families who have lost a member of their family may they find comfort.

Saturday

Read: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

Prayer: Pray for all the village groups The Fair committee, The village hall committee Oak chapel members and the Craft Group may they go from strength to strength

Notices:



* **Sunday May 3rd:** There is no service at All Saints but Cafe Church in the Hall at 11am followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, after which all are invited to stay for lunch.

* **Ascension Day, Thursday May 14th 7pm.**

All Saints is hosting a service to celebrate Ascension Day when we are delighted to welcome Bishop James as our celebrant and preacher. All are invited to this special service.

* **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:



* Spring Jazz Concert on Sunday 10th May:

St Mary's Sticklepath 3- 5pm

Tansy Rice - Vocals, Martin Jenkins - Keys
Jim Rintoul - Double Bass, Eddie Kingdom -
Percussion. Reserve tickets £12 (to include
refreshments) From Derek Moore 01837 840316 or
Tansy Rice 07795 042619

* Wednesday 6th May; 6.00pm to 9.00pm at St. Petroc's Church, Inwardleigh

An evening of Music & Song with Josephine Foster
and local performers. Doors open at 5.15pm
Price: £15.00 (£15.95 including fees)
Josephine Foster is an internationally renowned
Colorado-born singer, composer, and lyric poet. She
will be supported by two local performers:
Bill Murray and Clive Timms. Food and drinks for
sale - hotdog included with ticket. Any profits are
going towards church funds. Please share and book
soon, limited capacity as it's a seated concert.
For more information and to buy tickets, click on this
link - [https://ticketlab.app/event/38277-Josephine-
Foster-Support-at-Inwardleigh-Church-tickets#/
or email Paul Charlton
at \[p.charlton798@btinternet.com\]\(mailto:p.charlton798@btinternet.com\)](https://ticketlab.app/event/38277-Josephine-Foster-Support-at-Inwardleigh-Church-tickets#/)

Church Services:



Sunday 3rd May

(5th Sunday of Easter)

9:30am

Belstone – Holy Communion
Inwardleigh – Morning Prayer
Northlew – Morning Prayer
Exbourne – Family Worship
Meeth - All Age Worship
Sourton – Holy Communion

10:30am

Sticklepath – Village Praise

11:00am

Okehampton - Cafe Church @ Ch. Hall followed
by APCM & lunch

Hatherleigh – Holy Communion
Lydford - Morning Prayer

11:15am

Germansweek – Holy Communion

Sunday 10th May

(6th Sunday of Easter)

9:30am

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

11:00am

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

Grapevine

5th Sunday of Easter

3rd May 2026



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I don't know about you, but there are times in my life when I can be a real worrier. I can worry about all sorts of things. And I think that if I had a pound for every time I worried about something, I'd be at least as rich as Elon Musk or Jeff Bezos by now.

The first words of today's Gospel reading from John then speak powerfully to someone like me. "Do not let your hearts be troubled" Jesus says. He then goes on to explain that in God's house he is going to preparing a place for those who believe in him. Then when Thomas asks for more explanation, Jesus responds with these amazing words "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me".

We live in a world of competing voices, where social media, news, culture and other people can offer us all sorts of things which promise direction and answers to those anxieties and worries we have. However we are often left disappointed when we realise they don't give us what they have promised.

Yet Jesus is not like that. He is the way, the truth, the life. And Jesus delivers on that promise. Following Jesus gives us direction to the right place, and life in all its fullness. We have safety and security in him. In fact, we have all we can ever need.

I may still have day to day worries. But following Jesus means the most important thing is dealt with. His death and resurrection means my future is completely safe with him. He is preparing a place for me. And the more allow this wonderful truth to sink deeper into me, the more I can truly rest in Him and to not let my heart be troubled.

Claire Reynolds