

Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to
worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from
all adversities;
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)

Isaiah 40.12-17,27-31
(Psalm 8)
2 Corinthians 13.11-13
Matthew 28.16-20

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Genesis 6.9-22; 7.24; 8.14-19
(Psalm 46)
Romans 1.16,17; 3.22b-28[29-31]
Matthew 7.21-29

Verse for the Week:

Therefore go and make disciples of all
nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Matthew 28 v19.**

Prayer & Reading Diary

Lydford

Monday

Read: Genesis 6.9-22; 7.24; 8.14-19

Prayer: Jesus said 'love our neighbour as you love yourself'. Help us to develop a loving community and provide a good example of our living faith.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 46

Prayer: Pray for our farmers as they work long hours in the busiest time of year. May they be fairly rewarded for their industry and may they find moments of peace in the beautiful countryside of which they are guardians.

Wednesday

Read: Romans 1.16,17; 3.22b-28[29-31]

Prayer: We remember those valiant soldiers whose precious names are on our war memorials and we also pray for the soldiers of today and all the people living in war torn communities. We also pray for people living in societies which are bound up by hatred instead of love.

Thursday

Read: Matthew 7.21-29

Prayer: Pray for our clergy and members of the ministry team and the laity who work in many roles to provide for our congregations and our communities. As some congregations are ageing, the workload falls on fewer shoulders so we pray more volunteers come forward to fulfil the many tasks before us.

Friday

Read: Deuteronomy 5.1-21

Prayer: Pray for those troubled in mind or body at this time. Those in hospital, those on waiting lists or waiting for a GP appointment. We pray for those that are in care homes, and for anyone anxious. We pray for those who have no-one to pray for them. May they find your peace.

Saturday

Read: Acts 21.17-39a

Prayer: We pray that those outside our Christian fellowship see us spreading the good work of Jesus by our example, welcoming newcomers, being friends with our neighbours, showing compassion in our words and deeds. Let us show the light of Jesus in all we do.

Notices:



* Sunday May 31st, Trinity Sunday.

Joint Benefice Service at St Petroc Inwardleigh at 10am. No service at Okehampton or Belstone.

* **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:



* St Mary's Church, Belstone are having their first **Cream Tea on Sunday 31st May** in Belstone Village Hall from **2.30pm - 5.00pm**. Why not come for a cuppa and delicious homemade scones and cakes. All proceeds are for the Church'

* **Jazz on the Hill: Saturday 13th June**

7:30 All Saints Church.

Enjoy an evening of fantastic, professional jazz in the atmospheric setting of All Saints Church., Special guests Emily Windham vocals and Marianne Windham bass will be supported by Neil Burns guitar and Eddie Kingdon drums.

Pre Booked light suppers available, licensed bar. Tickets £10.

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Church Services:



Sunday 31st May

(Trinity Sunday)

9:30am

Bridestowe – Morning Prayer with Christening
Bratton Clovelly – Holy Communion

10:00am

Okehampton, Belstone & Inwardleigh –
@ Inwardleigh for Joint Benefice

11:00am

Hatherleigh – Five Parish Service
Lydford - Holy Communion

Sunday 7th June

(1st Sunday after Trinity)

9:30am

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

10:30am

Sticklepath – Village Praise

11:00am

Okehampton - Cafe Church @ Ch. Hall
Lydford - Morning Prayer

11:15am

Germansweek – Holy Communion

3:00pm

River Lew - Baptism

6:30pm

Northlew – Ashbury Service of Light

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Trinity Sunday

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And so to Trinity Sunday when we celebrate and proclaim the mystery of the three-in-one God. The Oxford Handbook of the Trinity runs to 43 chapters and over 600 pages! And no, I have certainly not read it in full and am unlikely ever to do so, but its scale indicates that here we have a topic that has excited the intellect and at times divided the church over many centuries. For all the diversity of interpretations, for all the complex history of doctrine, the final sentence of the Handbook is instructive as it urges us to contemplate “the mystery of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in order to better proclaim and live the mystery of faith today.” So a book of deep historical, philosophical and theological scholarship, at the end goes beyond these things to contemplation, to living and to proclamation to others.

We can all contemplate these things in our own way and we are all invited to live the mystery of faith. We might find the concept of the Trinity impossibly confusing, some might run a mile from the studious endeavours of those called to contribute to a theological handbook, but we cannot escape the call on our own lives. Our God creates, inhabits, enlivens, and redeems His world in such a mysterious and all-encompassing way that our normal ways of understanding the world in which we live grind to a halt. Instead, we need to step out in faith. May the Triune God be with us on that journey.

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