COLLECT

Blessed Lord,

who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:

help us so to hear them,

to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them

that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,

we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life,

which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1-11

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The LORD says this: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return

to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

PSALM Psalm 19:7-14

R The Commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple. R

The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart;

the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures

the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. R

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter also than honey, dripping from the honeycomb. By them also is your servant taught and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often they offend? O cleanse me from my secret faults! R

Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins lest they get dominion over me; so shall I be undefiled, and innocent of great offence. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. R

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

GOSPEL John 5:36b-47

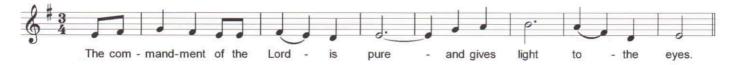
Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Jesus said to the Jews: "I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent. You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?"

POST COMMUNION

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly

and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.



Holsworthy Benefice

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

28th October 2018 - Bible Sunday

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A warm welcome to church today! If you have not been here before, please make yourself known to one of the team - you are very welcome.



EVERY FRIDAY 10.30am Communion & 11am Community No Cost Café at Ss Peter & Paul Parish Church

		Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
All Saints' Day	4 th Nov	11.15am Sung Eucharist & Baptism		9.30am Sung Eucharist		9.30am All Age Worship
	9th Nov	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
Remembrance Sunday	11 th Nov	10.50am Morning Prayer		9.30am Sung Eucharist		10.50am Sung Eucharist
	16th Nov	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
Second Sunday before Advent	18 th Nov	11.15am Sung Eucharist	9.30am Sung BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist		9.30am Morning Prayer
	23 rd Nov	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
Christ the King	25 th Nov	11.15am All Age Worship		9.30am Morning Prayer	9.30am Eucharist with Hymns	11.15am Sung Eucharist

Notices

Hamper for Raffle - There is a basket at the back of the church for the donation of items to fill the hamper that will be raffled on 30th November at the Christmas Lights switch on.

All Souls Day Service – Please add names to the list at the back of the Church for those who wish to remember the departed.

Samaritan's Purse-Operation Christmas Child 2018 – 11th November. There are instructions and flat pack boxes if you need one at the back of the church. IMPORTANT – Do Not Include – Used or damaged items, war related items such as toy guns, play soldiers or knives; chocolate or other food items; liquids or lotions of any type including bubbles; medicine; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; anything of a political; racial or religious nature; sharp objects; glass containers, mirrors or fragile items; playing cards of the 4-suit variety; clothing other than as listed on the instruction sheet.

IMPORTANT – make your project donation – A suggested donation of £5 is essential to cover project costs, including shipping, to enable a local church or group overseas to lead a safe, well-organised children's event where your shoebox will be given to a child in need. And to finish – Place a rubber band around your closed shoebox and let Mary Beckford have it by Sunday 11th November. She will then take it to our designated collection point.

We sent 29 boxes last year.

Wed 7th Nov 2.45pm

9th Nov 7.30pm

Book of Remembrance - The book is being up-dated - anyone who would like a friend or relative to be included please give name and date of death to Carol Weston.

Re-cycled Greetings Cards – Cards are available to purchase at the back of the church. Anyone who has any old cards they would like to donate for re-cycling please pass on to Carol Weston.

Prayer Cycle A new prayer cycle for the Benefice is going to be put together for use throughout the Benefice. This will include prayer intentions for local organisations, businesses and dwellings by road or area. Please email Carol Weston cwcarolweston@gmail.com with any prayer intentions you would like added or might be missed about organisations etc in your area.

Safeguarding If you haven't carried out the C0 online learning please do so - this is for everyone. If you are not on the internet then further dates can be given for you to be able to do this at the Rectory - we just need to know. If you have done it please let Carol Weston have the date you completed this.

Music Group Do you play a wind instrument? Would you like to play at the Holsworthy 9.30am service about once a month? Please have a chat with either organist; Lynne or John, or Bob Beckford or Mother Elizabeth.

Friends of Holsworthy Parish Church. Please encourage people throughout the community to become a Friend. Packs are available at the back of the church to give to anyone you think might be interested, including organisations. Please do let Mother Elizabeth know if you are interested in coming on the sub-committee.

Coming up;-

Wed 31st Oct 2.45pm Choir Practice at Ss Peter & Paul, new singers welcome Sun 4th Nov 6pm All Souls Service - Pyworthy

Choir Practice at Ss Peter & Paul, new singers welcome

'The More Course' - St Andrew's Church Hall, Ashburton. There will be a taster session for 'The More Course'. The course itself will be run from January to June (monthly sessions, Thursday evenings). The course is an opportunity to journey with a vocational community committing to a spiritual discipline of prayer and vocational reflection focusing on the "who, not the what' – more info here https://exeter.anglican.org/events/the more-course-taster-session/

Sun 11th Nov 10.45am
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Act of Remembrance – Holsworthy Square
Act of Remembrance – Anvil Corner
Act of Remembrance – Parade and Service

Choir Practice at Ss Peter & Paul, new singers welcome

 Wed 21st Nov
 2.45pm
 Choir Practice

 Tue 27th Nov
 7.30pm
 Pyworthy PCC

 Wed 28th Nov
 7.30pm
 Bridgerule PCC

Thu 29th Nov 7.30pm Sat 1st Dec 10.30am Holsworthy PCC – The Rectory Churchwardens Coffee – The Rectory

Please pray for the recently departed: Irene Reader, Peter Worthington, John Cridland their family and friends.