# Holsworthy Benefice ~ News Sheet #14

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

## 4th & 11th April 2021 - Easter Sunday & Easter 2

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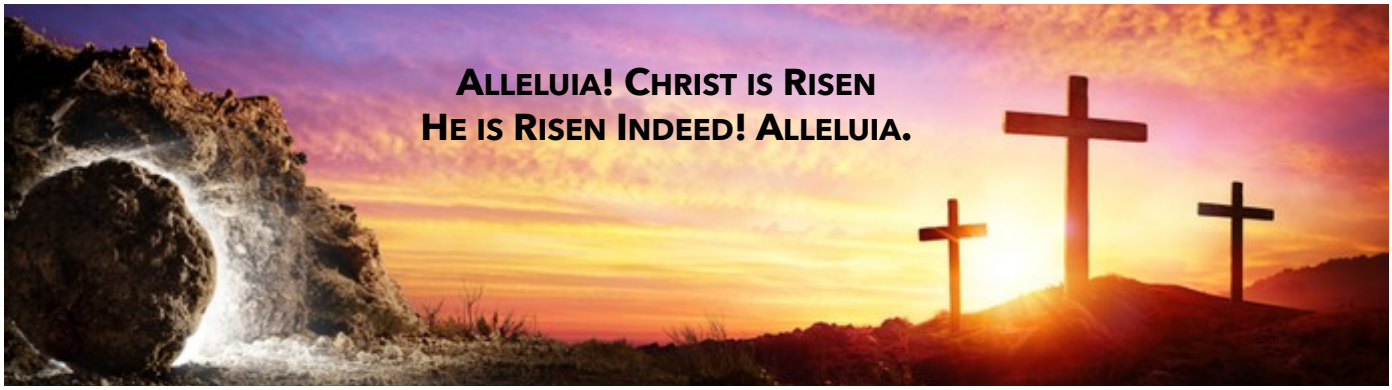


## Services in the Holsworthy Benefice for Easter and beyond

| | | On Zoom | Bridgerule | Hollacombe | Holsworthy | Pancrasweek | Pyworthy |
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| Holy Saturday | 3rd Apr | | | | 8pm Benefice Easter Vigil | | |
| Easter Day | 4th Apr | 9.30am Morning Prayer | 3pm Easter Service | 9.30am BCP Holy Communion | 11am Eucharist | 9.30am All Age Eucharist | 9.30am Eucharist |
| Easter 2 | 11th Apr | 9.30am Morning Prayer | | | 11am Morning Prayer | | 9.30am Eucharist |
| Easter 3 | 18th Apr | 9.30am Morning Prayer | | 9.30am BCP Holy Communion | 11am Eucharist | | 9.30am Eucharist |
| Easter 4 | 25th Apr | 9.30am Morning Prayer | 11am Eucharist | | 11am Morning Prayer | 9.30am All Age Eucharist | 9.30am Morning Prayer |
| Easter 5 | 2nd May | 9.30am Morning Prayer | | 3pm BCP Evening Prayer | 11am Eucharist | | |
| Easter 6 | 9th May | 9.30am Morning Prayer | 11am Morning Prayer | | 11am Eucharist | | 9.30am Eucharist |
| Ascension Day | 13th May | 9pm Compline | | | 7pm Eucharist | | |
| Easter 7 | 16th May | 9.30am Morning Prayer | | | 11am Eucharist | | 9.30am Eucharist |

## Also on Zoom - All welcome

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| Tuesdays | 7pm | Start again 20th April | Zoom details; https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82633460276? To join by phone: 0131 460 1196 ID 826 3346 0276 Password: benefice |
| Fridays | 12 Noon | Midday Prayers | |

## Annual Parochial Church Meetings

| | Hollacombe | Pyworthy |
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| Dates for APCMs | 2.30pm 14th April | 7.30pm 14th April |
| Held | Rectory Yard /Zoom | On Zoom |

### Text for the Week

**John 20. 29**

Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

The Friends of Holsworthy Parish Church

## St Peter's Monthly Jackpot Draw

**£12 for the year**

**Prizes**

1st Prize - 25% of the ticket money
2nd Prize - 5% of the ticket money

**The winners of the Jackpot Draw drawn on 20th March were**

1st Prize, £14.00 – ticket number 32, Lizzy from North Road

2nd Prize, £2.80 – ticket number 56, Peter from Staddon Road

Ticket renewals for the 2021/22 Jackpot Draw are now due. The renewal cost is again £12 for the year and if you would like to renew your tickets please:

· **Pay by cash or cheque**
made payable to 'PCC of Holsworthy Parish Church' delivered to Helen Narborough at Lyndhurst, North Road, Holsworthy (next door to Bodmeyrick Nursing Home)
**or** to Mother Elizabeth at The Rectory, Bodmin Street, Holsworthy.

· **Pay by direct bank transfer**
sort code 53-50-52, account 05007216, using your name and/or ticket number as a reference.

Renewals should be made by 19th April.

If you do not already have a ticket and would like to be included in the monthly draws for 2021/22, please contact Helen Narborough, Treasurer Holsworthy PCC; hknarborough@btinternet.com, 01409 253868

You must be 16 or over to enter

**St James the Least of All** *Editor: The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace'...*

**On the best way to run a church council meeting**

The Rectory
St. James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

Thank you for inviting me to speak at your church council yesterday. I suspect that my theme of why Eusebius's dislike of Sabellianism led to condemnation at the Council of Antioch in 324 was a little misjudged, question I was asked after my lecture was if Eusebius was on Facebook.

I never realised how much technology is needed these days just to discuss church matters. It seemed that everyone had brought their laptop, so they could refer to all the diocesan briefing documents and reports that you mentioned. I've been in the diocese 40 years and have never heard of most of those papers. But then I find it too easy to delete the diocesan mailings, unread, with a click of my mouse.

Our church meetings are far more traditional. Since the church floor seems to have been carved out of permafrost, our meetings circulate round members' houses. This introduces a nice element of competition, as each host tries to outdo the previous one in the baking of cakes. Meetings at Colonel Drinkwater's – a more inappropriate name one cannot imagine – are the shortest, since we are always promised wine once the meeting is over. It is remarkable how unanimity is achieved on every subject within minutes, and nothing appears under "any other business".

Mrs Eddington never troubles us with minutes, largely because she can rarely read the notes she takes. She just shares with us whatever she *can* decipher at our next meeting. Last month, she accidentally brought her shopping list instead, and so read that out. There followed a lively discussion on whether carrots from our local shop were better than those at the supermarket. When it was found out she intended to use them in a venison casserole, endless recipes were keenly debated.

We always leave our church meetings well fed, up to date with village gossip, and totally untroubled by any church council business. And the lack of any minutes ensures that I can then make all the decisions myself, between meetings. I think you will find our system has much to be commended.

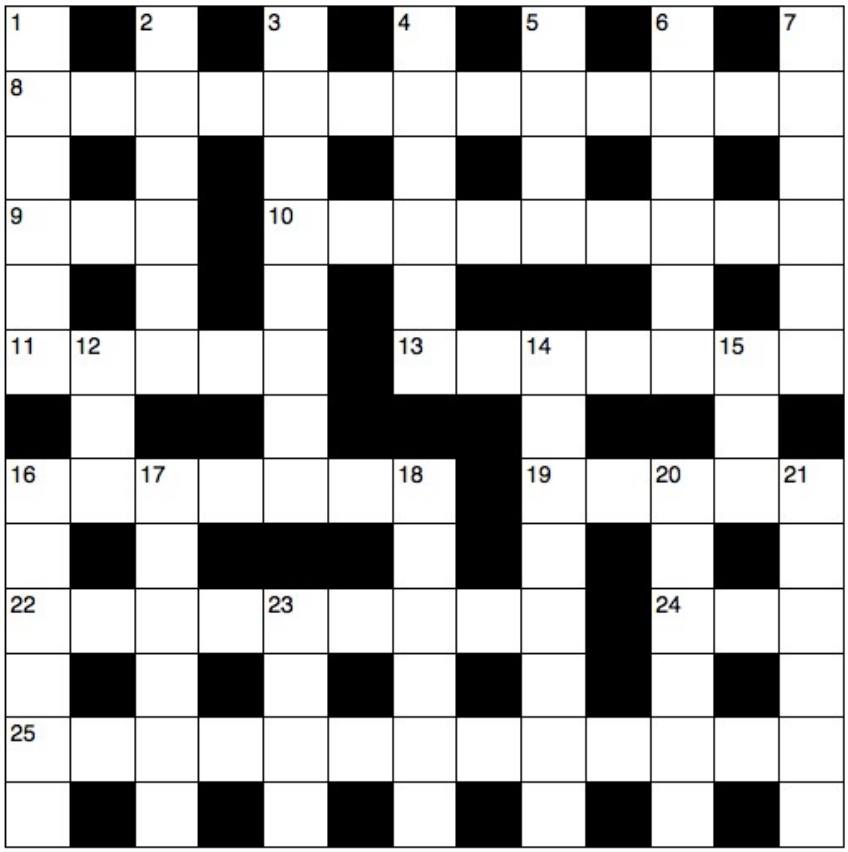
Your loving uncle,

*Eustace*

# April Crossword

**ACROSS**

8 'He poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the — ' (Isaiah 53:12) (13)
9 'When they had sung a hymn, they went — to the Mount of Olives (Matthew 26:30) (3)
10 Comes between Galatians and Philippians (9)
11 'Your heart will — and swell with joy' (Isaiah 60:5) (5)
13 Muslim holy month (7)
16 Ten ears (anag.) (7)
19 Under (poetic abbrev.) (5)
22 How Abram described himself to God when he complained that his inheritance would pass to a servant (Genesis 15:2) (9)
24 'Go to the — , you sluggard' (Proverbs 6:6) (3)
25 Debar from receiving Communion (13)



**DOWN**

1 My — for His Highest (Oswald Chambers' best-known book) (6)
2 Festival of the resurrection (6)
3 'His sons will prepare for war and — a great army' (Daniel 11:10) (8)
4 'Let not the — string his bow' (Jeremiah 51:3) (6)
5 Name of the River Thames in and around Oxford (4)
6 'From then on Judas watched for an opportunity — — him over' (Matthew 26:16) (2,4)
7 'But Christ is faithful — — — over God's house' (Hebrews 3:6) (2,1,3)
12 Long-handled implement used to till the soil (Isaiah 7:25) (3)
14 Order to which monks and nuns devote themselves (8)
15 Appropriate (Proverbs 15:23) (3)
16 I, uncle (anag.) (6)
17 'They gave him — — of broiled fish' (Luke 24:42) (1,5)
18 'Weren't there three men that we — — and threw into the fire?' (Daniel 3:24) (4,2)
20 Mountain where Noah's ark came to rest (Genesis 8:4) (6)
21 'Don't you know that friendship with the world is — towards God?' (James 4:4) (6)
23 Prominent architectural feature of large cathedrals such as St Paul's (4)

# Sunday 4 April 2021 Easter Day

**COLLECT**
Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

**FIRST READING** (Alternative readings)
*The reading from Acts must be read as either the First or Second Reading.*

Either **Acts 10:34-43**
*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Or **Isaiah 25:6-9**

**PSALM Psalm 118:1-2. 14-24**
**R** *I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation.*

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever." **R**

The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.
Joyful shouts of salvation
sound from the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds;
the right hand of the Lord raises up;
the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds." **R**

I shall not die, but live
and declare the works of the Lord.
The Lord has punished me sorely,
but he has not given me over to death. **R**

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.
This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and have become my salvation. **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

Or **Psalm 118:14-24**

**SECOND READING** (Alternative readings)
Either **1 Corinthians 15:1-11**
*A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.*

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you – unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Or **Acts 10:34-43**

**GOSPEL** (Alternative readings)
Either **John 20:1-18**

Or **Mark 16:1-8**
*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**POST COMMUNION**
God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# Sunday 11 April 2021 Second Sunday of Easter

**COLLECT**

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**FIRST READING** (Alternative readings)

*The reading from Acts must be read as either the First or Second Reading.*

Either **Acts 4:32-35**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Or **Exodus 14:10-end; 15:20-21**

**PSALM Psalm 133** 𝄞

**R** *Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other.*

Behold how good and pleasant it is
to dwell together in unity.
It is like the precious oil upon the head,
running down upon the beard,
Even on Aaron's beard,
running down upon the collar of his clothing. **R**

It is like the dew of Hermon
running down upon the hills of Zion.
For there the Lord has promised his blessing:
even life for evermore. **R**

**SECOND READING** (Alternative readings)

Either **1 John 1:1 – 2:2**

*A reading from the first letter of John.*

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Or **Acts 4:32-35**

**GOSPEL John 20:19-end**

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

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**POST COMMUNION**

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## April Crossword answers

**ACROSS:** 8, Transgressors. 9, Out. 10, Ephesians. 11, Throb. 13, Ramadan. 16, Nearest. 19, Neath. 22, Childless. 24, Ant. 25, Excommunicate.

**DOWN:** 1, Utmost. 2, Easter. 3, Assemble. 4, Archer. 5, Isis. 6, To hand. 7, As a son. 12, Hoe. 14, Monastic. 15, Apt. 16, Nuclei. 17, A piece. 18, Tied up. 20, Ararat. 21, Hatred. 23, Dome.

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