



13th March 2022 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

Holsworthy Benefice

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek



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Services in the Holsworthy Benefice - All Welcome

		Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
2nd Sunday of Lent	13th Mar	11am Eucharist		11am All Age Eucharist		9.30 Sung Eucharist
3rd Sunday of Lent	20th Mar	11am Joint Service at Methodist Chapel	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	11am Sung Eucharist		9.30 Morning Prayer
		3.30pm CREATIVE CHURCH for All Ages, St Peter and St Paul's church				
4th Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday	27th Mar	11am Ecumenical All Age Eucharist		11am Morning Prayer	9.30am All Age Eucharist	9.30am All Age Service
5th Sunday of Lent - Passiontide	3rd Apr	11am Morning Prayer	3pm BCP Evening Prayer	11am Sung Eucharist		9.30am Eucharist

Weekly via Zoom - All Welcome

Wednesdays during Lent	8pm	Compline for Ukraine	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 - pop in when you can	

Compline on Zoom

8pm on Wednesdays

To pray for peace in Ukraine



Zoom link as follows;

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Text for the Week -Psalm 27:13

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Link of the Week

LOCAL - BENEFICE NEWS SHEET

<https://www.holsworthybenefice.org.uk/weekly-service-sheet/>

GLOBAL - DONATE TO HELP UKRAINE

<https://ukraine-emergency-appeal.raisely.com>

It's not too late

to come and join the Lent course

'Responding to God's Grace'

Tuesdays at 11am or 7.30pm via Zoom

Meeting ID: 813 1332 5491

Passcode: Lent

We continue to pray for peace in Ukraine

For all the people affected there and across the world.

We pray for a peaceful resolution and support for people in need.



Refugees fleeing Ukraine

USPG and the Church of England Diocese in Europe are launching an emergency appeal to get aid to people in desperate need because of the invasion of Ukraine. Funds raised by the appeal will support Christian charities and churches carrying out humanitarian work both in Ukraine and responding to the arrival of refugees in neighbouring countries.

Our partners on the ground are providing food, medicine, shelter, care for children and people internally displaced in Ukraine. With refugees they are supplying care at the border and beyond, including attention to those from Africa and Asia as well as Ukrainians who are fleeing the war. The appeal is for urgent help now but the work will go on for many months.

The Church of England's Bishop in Europe, the Rt Rev'd Robert Innes says, 'War is horrible. It injures, destroys and kills in an often indiscriminate and uncontrollable way. And now, we face war in Europe. The people of our little church, Christ Church Kyiv, find themselves in the midst of this crisis. They are typical of so many others. Some have fled the city whilst others are still there; praying for their safety and for peace as they shelter as best they can. These people are our brothers and sisters. Those still in Ukraine and those who have fled need our help.'

USPG's General Secretary, the Rev'd Duncan Dormor, adds, 'Our hearts and prayers go out to the people of Ukraine at this profoundly difficult time. At USPG we are deeply aware of the work of the churches mobilising to support those who are suffering. So, we have launched this appeal in partnership with the Diocese in Europe to stand in solidarity with the people of Ukraine and support church responses to the current crisis.'

The Most Rev'd Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York says, 'Prayer changes our hearts and it changes our resolve. At the start of this season of Lent, many of us will be thinking about the things we can do to follow Jesus more closely. One of the things we can do is to play our part in receiving and supporting refugees who are living with the horror of this conflict in Ukraine and its consequences. Please support USPG's call for generous humanitarian aid and support.'

More than a million refugees have fled the war in Ukraine. They have left everything behind to escape conflict. Christian charities and churches need help now as they support these people in all aspects of their lives.

To donate to the Ukraine emergency appeal, visit www.uspg.org.uk/ukraine

17th March: St Patrick, beloved apostle to Ireland

St Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland. If you've ever been in New York on St Patrick's Day, you'd think he was the patron saint of New York as well... the flamboyant parade is full of American/Irish razzmatazz.

It's all a far cry from the hard life of this 5th century humble Christian who became in time both bishop and apostle of Ireland. Patrick was born the son of a town councillor in the west of England, between the Severn and the Clyde. But as a young man he was captured by Irish pirates, kidnapped to Ireland, and reduced to slavery. He was made to tend his master's herds.

Desolate and despairing, Patrick turned to prayer. He found God was there for him, even in such desperate circumstances. He spent much time in prayer, and his faith grew and deepened, in contrast to his earlier years, when he "knew not the true God".

Then, after six gruelling, lonely years he was told in a dream he would soon go to his own country. He either escaped or was freed, made his way to a port 200 miles away and eventually persuaded some sailors to take him with them away from Ireland.

After various adventures in other lands, including near-starvation, Patrick landed on English soil at last, and returned to his family. But he was much changed. He had enjoyed his life of plenty before; now he wanted to devote the rest of his life to Christ. Patrick received some form of training for the priesthood, but not the higher education he really wanted.

But by 435, well-educated or not, Patrick was badly needed. Palladius' mission to the Irish had failed, and so the Pope sent Patrick back to the land of his slavery. He set up his see at Armagh and worked principally in the north. He urged the Irish to greater spirituality, set up a school, and made several missionary journeys.

Patrick's writings are the first literature certainly identified from the British Church. They reveal sincere simplicity and a deep pastoral care. He wanted to abolish paganism, idolatry, and was ready for imprisonment or death in the following of Christ.

Patrick remains the most popular of the Irish saints. The principal cathedral of New York is dedicated to him, as, of course, is the Anglican cathedral of Dublin.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the
light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of
righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted into
the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things that are
contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable
to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-12. 17-18

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

PSALM Psalm 27

R *The Lord is my light and my salvation.*

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?
When the wicked, even my enemies and my
foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh,
they stumbled and fell. **R**

Though a host encamp against me,
my heart shall not be afraid,
and though there rise up war against me,
yet will I put my trust in him.
One thing have I asked of the Lord and
that alone I seek;
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life, **R**

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord
and to seek his will in his temple.
For in the day of trouble he shall hide me
in his shelter;
in the secret place of his dwelling shall he
hide me and set me high upon a rock. **R**

And now shall he lift up my head
above my enemies round about me;
Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an
oblation with great gladness;
I will sing and make music to the Lord.
Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call;
have mercy upon me and answer me. **R**

My heart tells of your word, "Seek my
face."
Your face, Lord, will I seek.
Hide not your face from me,
nor cast your servant away in displeasure.
You have been my helper;
leave me not, neither forsake me, O God
of my salvation. **R**

Though my father and my mother forsake
me,
the Lord will take me up.
Teach me your way, O Lord;
lead me on a level path, because of those
who lie in wait for me. **R**

Deliver me not into the will of my
adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen up against
me, and those who breathe out violence.
I believe that I shall see the goodness of
the Lord
in the land of the living.
Wait for the Lord; be strong and he shall
comfort your heart;
wait patiently for the Lord. **R**

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17 – 4:1

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me,
and observe those who live according to
the example you have in us. For many live
as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have
often told you of them, and now I tell you
even with tears. Their end is destruction;
their god is the belly; and their glory is in
their shame; their minds are set on earthly
things. But our citizenship is in heaven,
and it is from there that we are expecting
a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will
transform the body of our humiliation
that it may be conformed to the body of
his glory, by the power that also enables
him to make all things subject to himself.
Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom
I love and long for, my joy and crown,
stand firm in the Lord in this way, my
beloved.

GOSPEL Luke 13:31-end

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

At that very hour some Pharisees came
and said to him, "Get away from here, for
Herod wants to kill you." He said to them,
"Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am
casting out demons and performing cures
today and tomorrow, and on the third
day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow,
and the next day I must be on my way,
because it is impossible for a prophet
to be killed away from Jerusalem.'
Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills
the prophets and stones those who are
sent to it! How often have I desired to
gather your children together as a hen
gathers her brood under her wings, and
you were not willing! See, your house is
left to you. And I tell you, you will not
see me until the time comes when you
say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the
name of the Lord.'"

POST COMMUNION

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of
ourselves to help ourselves;
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may
assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion.



Sunday 13 March 2022
 Luke 9:28-36
 2nd Sunday of Lent

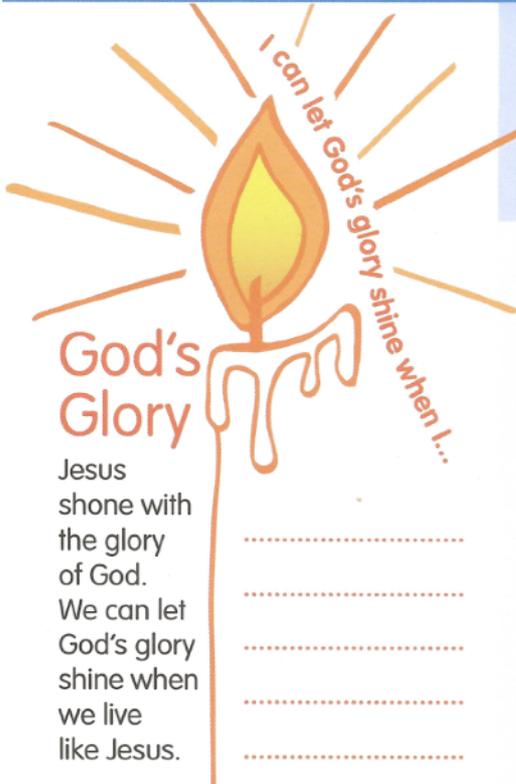
In the **GOSPEL TODAY**

Jesus goes up a mountain with his friends. In front of their eyes, Jesus is changed. His face is different and his clothes become "brilliant as lightning". They see Jesus talking to Moses and Elijah and hear a voice from the clouds. Now the disciples really do know that Jesus is God's Son and very, very special.

Listen to Jesus

Two other people appear together with Jesus on top of the mountain. Can you join the dots to reveal these two important people? They are called **Moses** and **Elijah**. They are from the Old Testament and were a leader and a prophet. Ask someone at home for their stories.

A voice is heard from heaven telling us to listen to Jesus. Write in the speech bubble what you think Jesus is saying and why we need to listen to him.



God's Glory

Jesus shone with the glory of God. We can let God's glory shine when we live like Jesus.

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You are special

Jesus' friends thought that they knew Jesus very well. However, on top of the mountain, they discovered great new things about Jesus. Is there something special about you that you want others to know about?

I want everyone to know that I am...

Think of something nice about yourself.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for loving me so much. Help me to be kind and loving this week, especially to the people I find it difficult to like. Thank you for helping me to shine! Amen.



A voice from the cloud

Put the words in the right order to see what he voice from the cloud said.



Answers: Listen to my Son.

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