

Holsworthy Benefice ~ News Sheet #04

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

24th Jan 2021 - Epiphany 3

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**Services are continuing in some church buildings and on Zoom.
This will be assessed week by week.**

Sunday Services in the Holsworthy Benefice				
	On Zoom	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pyworthy
24th Jan	9.30am Morning Prayer		11am Eucharist	
31st Jan	9.30am Morning Prayer		11am Eucharist	
7th Feb	9.30am Morning Prayer	3pm BCP Evening Prayer	11am Eucharist	9.30am Morning Prayer
14th Feb	9.30am Morning Prayer		11am Eucharist	
21st Feb	9.30am Morning Prayer		11am Eucharist	9.30am Morning Prayer
28th Feb	9.30am Morning Prayer		11am Eucharist	

Also on Zoom - All welcome			
Tuesdays	7pm	Contemplative Prayer	Zoom details; https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82633460276? To listen by phone: 0131 460 1196 ID 826 3346 0276 Password: benefice
Wednesdays	3pm	Home Group - all about Jesus the carpenter	
Fridays	12 Noon	Midday Prayers	

Text for the Week Hebrews 10.23:

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful.



LENT COURSE 2021 ON ZOOM

Wednesdays 3-4pm

Living in Love and Faith

Starting Wednesday 24th February



Holsworthy Church is open during the day for individual prayer **everyday**
Pyworthy Church is open for individual prayer on a **Sunday and Wednesday**



Visiting Preacher

Sunday 24th February is the seventh day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

*We welcome
The Rev'd Simon Leigh,
the new Methodist minister,
to preach at the 11am Eucharist
at St Peter and St Pauls.*



The winners of the Jackpot Draw drawn on 20th January

1st Prize, £14.00 - ticket number 37, Helen from Trewyn Park
2nd Prize, £2.80 - ticket number 133, Susan from Dobles Lane

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For teachers of the faith, our Parish Safeguarding reps
All who live at Belle Vue and Fore Street, Holsworthy

Monday 25th January (Conversion of Paul)

For those who suffer

Tuesday 26th January (Timothy and Titus)

For our Families

Wednesday 27th January

For young people

Thursday 28th January (Thomas Aquinas)

For those burdened with guilt

Friday 29th January

For all Political Leaders

Saturday 30th January (Charles, King+Martyr 1649)

For countries at war

GOD IN THE ARTS - January 2021

Editor: The Revd Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a look at 'St Joseph the Carpenter' by Georges de la Tour. It now hangs in The Louvre in Paris.

The Hidden Years

When St Paul wrote about the birth and humanity of Jesus to the Philippians, he described it as an emptying and a humbling. Jesus humbled Himself, he wrote, 'and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.' In obedience and love Jesus followed the will of His Father through His ministry from baptism to the cross and Easter beyond.



But what about that period called 'the hidden years', after the Holy Family's return from Egypt? The Gospels tell us of only one event in that period leading up to adulthood: the pilgrimage to Jerusalem when Jesus was 12. For the rest of those 30 years, He lived with Mary and Joseph 'growing in wisdom and in divine and human favour.' Just as He followed His heavenly Father's will in His ministry, so in these growing years He followed the guidance and teaching of Mary and Joseph.

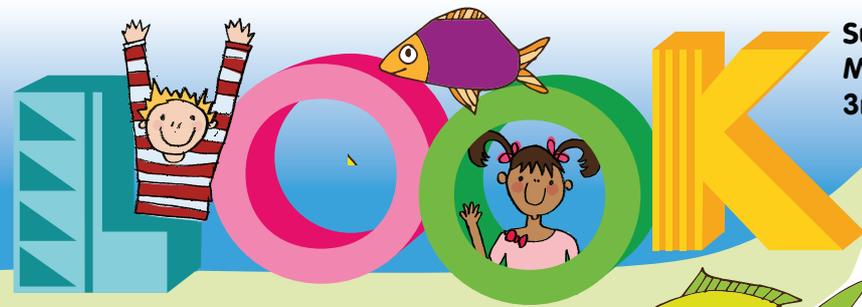
This month's painting highlights one moment in those years of growth: 'St Joseph the Carpenter' by Georges de la Tour. 'Highlights' is the right word, because this painting captures the strong contrast of light and darkness. Georges de la Tour lived from 1593 to 1652 in Lorraine. He was part of a Franciscan-led revival in that area, and this work from the 1640s captures St Joseph and the Christ-Child with Franciscan tenderness and insight.

We can see the tools of Joseph's trade on the ground. He leans over them, hard at work on a piece of wood. Jesus is sitting by his side, his face lit by the candle, which lights up the carpenter's shop. As well as contrasting light and dark, there is the contrast of young and old, and the thought that the child learning from the old man is also the one who can teach us.

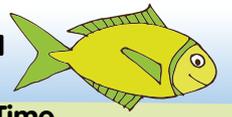
De la Tour was particularly fascinated by light and shadows cast by a candle or a lantern. Here the artist shows the candlelight illuminating the face of the child Jesus who will grow up to the Light of the world.

As this New Year begins, we can think back to the light from the Bethlehem manger we celebrated at Christmas. We can look ahead to the light shining from the adult Jesus through His teaching and healing. Here in these hidden years, we can celebrate the light of wisdom and divine favour, as Luke calls them, shining on the face of the child Jesus. We pray for that light to guide us through this New Year. When the way ahead may look dark and uncertain, let us pray that God's light will make clear the path ahead.

The graphic is a faithful photographic reproduction of a two-dimensional, public domain work of art. It can be found at: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Georges_de_La_Tour._St._Joseph,_the_Carpenter.JPG



Sunday 24 January 2021
Mark 1:14-20
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

My name is _____

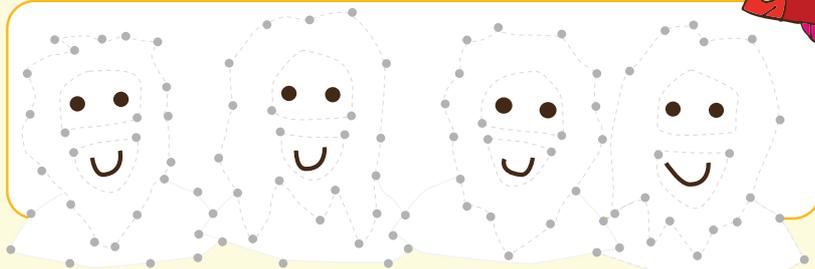


As Jesus walks beside the Sea of Galilee, he sees fishermen working hard in their boats. Jesus asks Simon, John, James and Andrew to follow him, and they leave everything behind to become Jesus' friends.

FOLLOW JESUS!

Jesus asked **four fishermen** to follow him and to become his disciples.

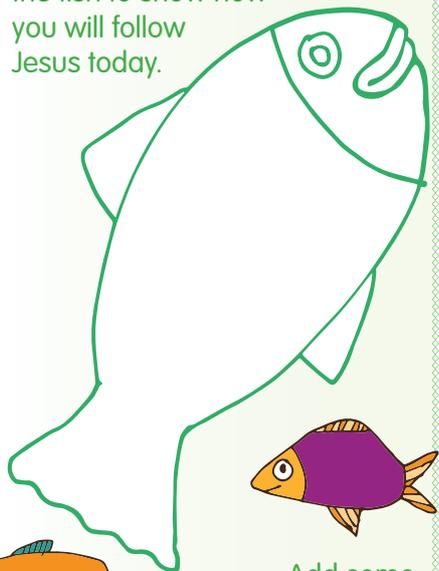
Join the dots to see them, and fill in the blanks to find out their names.



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I will follow Jesus when I...

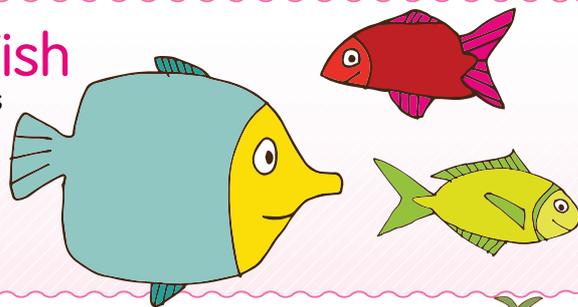
We can follow Jesus when we live as he asks, loving other people. Draw a picture inside the fish to show how you will follow Jesus today.



Add some things that make YOU happy!

Find the Fish

Jesus' first disciples were fishermen. Can you catch the **ten** fish hidden around this page?



Where will Jesus lead us?

When Jesus asked **Simon, John, James** and **Andrew** to follow him, they had no idea where Jesus was leading them. Jesus' friends put their total faith and trust in him. Follow the path to see where Jesus is leading them.



A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, you called ordinary people like fishermen to become your closest followers. Thank you for reminding us that you call all sorts of people, people just like me, to be your best friends. Amen.

Answers: Simon, John, James and Andrew.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and
miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your
heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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.

FIRST READING Genesis 14:17-20

A reading from the book of Genesis.

After Abram's return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

PSALM Psalm 128

R *How abundant is your goodness,
O Lord.*

Blessed are all those who fear the
Lord,
and walk in his ways.
You shall eat the fruit of the toil of
your hands;
it shall go well with you, and
happy shall you be. **R**

Your wife within your house
shall be like a fruitful vine;

your children round your table,
like fresh olive branches.
Thus shall the one be blest
who fears the Lord. **R**

The Lord from out of Zion bless you,
that you may see Jerusalem in
prosperity
all the days of your life.
May you see your children's children,
and may there be peace upon
Israel. **R**

SECOND READING Revelation

19:6-10

*A reading from the book of
Revelation.*

I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure" – for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are true words of God." Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

GOSPEL John 2:1-11

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

POST COMMUNION

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus
Christ is the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and
sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known,
worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and
for ever.