



# 27th March 2022 - 4th Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday

## 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
<b>4th Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday</b>	27th Mar	11am Ecumenical All Age Eucharist		11am Morning Prayer	9.30am All Age Eucharist	9.30am All Age Service
<b>5th Sunday of Lent - Passiontide</b>	3rd Apr	11am Morning Prayer	3pm BCP Evening Prayer	11am Sung Eucharist		9.30am Eucharist
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	10th Apr	11am Sung Eucharist		11am All Age Eucharist		9.30 All Age Eucharist
<b>Tue of Holy Week</b>	12th Apr			7pm Stations of the Cross		
<b>Wed of Holy Week</b>	13th Apr		7pm Stations of the Cross			3pm Interactive Stations of the Cross
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	14th Apr			7pm Benefice Sung Eucharist with washing of feet and stripping of the altar followed by the watch at the Altar of Repose finishing with 10pm Compline		
<b>Good Friday</b>	15th Apr			10.30am Walk of Witness - Square 3pm Benefice Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 7pm Benefice Tenebrae		1pm Good Friday Reflection
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	16th Apr			8.30pm Benefice Easter Vigil		
<b>Easter Day</b>	17th Apr	11am Sung Eucharist	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	11am Sung Eucharist	9.30am Eucharist with hymns	9.30am Sung Eucharist

### Weekly via Zoom - All Welcome

Wednesdays during Lent	8pm	Compline for Ukraine
Fridays	12 Noon	Midday Prayers - pop in when you can

Zoom details; <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82633460276?>  
To join by phone: 0131 460 1196 ID 826 3346 0276 Password: benefice

### 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



Ticket renewals for the 2022/23 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 Flaherty at Lyndhurst, North Road, Holsworthy (next door to Bodmeryck Nursing Home) or to Mother Elizabeth at The Rectory, Bodmin Street, Holsworthy or
- ★ 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 19<sup>th</sup> April.

If you do not already have a ticket and would like to be included in the 12 monthly draws for 2022/23, please contact Helen or Mth Elizabeth.



Clocks go forward this Sunday

### Local Support for Ukrainians

There is a new group which can be found on Facebook for people looking to host or help support refugees;  
[Holsworthy Area Refugee Support Group](#)  
Please keep this in your prayers

### Text for the Week; Colossians 3:12

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience.

**Compline on Zoom**  
**8pm on Wednesdays**  
**To pray for peace in Ukraine**



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	Annual Meetings			
	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pyworthy
Vestry and APCM (all in church)	27th April 7pm Eucharist 7.30pm Meetings	29th April 2.30pm	28th April 7pm Eucharist 7.30pm Meetings	12th May 7pm Eucharist 7.30pm Meetings

**God in the Arts - Enter my rest**

At this time of the year, we are planning our gardens for the Spring and Summer ahead. The book of Genesis opens with a glorious account of God’s work of creation, and it also tells us that God rested on the seventh day.

We all need to find that balance of work and rest, of activity and slowing down in our lives. And we are not always good at that because our world seems to be in the fast lane. We rush everywhere, we rush out of habit, and we rush because everyone around us is rushing.

This month’s painting, ‘The Potato Planters ’by Jean–Francois Millet, a 19<sup>th</sup> century French artist, portrays two peasants at work. They don’t seem to be rushing, but Millet has certainly portrayed the hard toil of their work, digging in the earth from to sunset to eke out a living. Millet was the son of a farm labourer and many of his paintings convey the severe realism of peasant life. We can sympathise with the couple working on the land, and our eyes focus on them as they dominate the canvas.



*Editor: The Revd Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a look at ‘The Potato Planters ’by Jean-Francois Millet, which hangs in the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.*

But in the corner under the shade of a tree there is a donkey and a sleeping child. The donkey knows only too well the reality of toil and work, but here he is resting, enjoying the peace and the shade. Andy Merrifield, an American philosopher, has just published an account of his travels with a donkey, Gribouille. As they journey together, the donkey teaches him the value of patience, the importance of going slowly through the world, and the preciousness of tender friendship between humans and animals. They are all caught up in the little donkey in this painting.

The man and woman in the foreground may reflect our own lives with the duties, the expectations and the demands called of us at work. Take time to focus on the donkey, enjoying his rest. Take time this Spring and Summer to find relaxation and recreation. The world may carry on spinning around us, but we can stand apart, and enter into the rest that God enjoyed after His work of creation.

**COLLECT**

God of compassion,  
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,  
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,  
and on the cross drew the whole human  
family to himself:  
strengthen us in our daily living  
that in joy and in sorrow  
we may know the power of your presence  
to bind together and to heal;  
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**

**Either Exodus 2:1-10**  
*A reading from the book of Exodus.*

A man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

**Or 1 Samuel 1:20-29**

*A reading from the first book of Samuel.*  
Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.' The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only - may the LORD establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour,

and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.' She left him there for the LORD.

**PSALM**

**Either Psalm 127:1-4**  
**R** *The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in.*

Unless the Lord builds the house,  
those who build it labour in vain.  
Unless the Lord keeps the city,  
the guard keeps watch in vain. **R**

It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early  
and go so late to rest, eating the bread of  
toil,  
for he gives his beloved sleep.  
Children are a heritage from the Lord  
and the fruit of the womb is his gift. **R**

**Or Psalm 34:11-20**

**R** *O taste and see that the Lord is gracious.*  
Come, my children, and listen to me;  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.  
Who is there who delights in life  
and longs for days to enjoy good things? **R**

Keep your tongue from evil  
and your lips from lying words.  
Turn from evil and do good;  
seek peace and pursue it. **R**

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous  
and his ears are open to their cry.  
The face of the Lord is against those who  
do evil,  
to root out the remembrance of them from  
the earth. **R**

The righteous cry and the Lord hears them  
and delivers them out of all their troubles.  
The Lord is near to the brokenhearted  
and will save those who are crushed in spirit. **R**

Many are the troubles of the righteous;  
from them all will the Lord deliver them.  
He keeps all their bones,  
so that not one of them is broken. **R**

**SECOND READING**

**Either 2 Corinthians 1:3-7**  
*A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being

afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

**Or Colossians 3:12-17**

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.*

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**GOSPEL**

**Either Luke 2:33-35**  
*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Jesus. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

**Or John 19:25b-27**

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

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

**POST COMMUNION**

Loving God,  
as a mother feeds her children at the breast  
you feed us in this sacrament with the  
food and drink of eternal life:  
help us who have tasted your goodness  
to grow in grace within the household of  
faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.





Sunday 27 March 2022  
 Luke 15:1-3. 11-32  
 4th Sunday of Lent

In the  
**GOSPEL TODAY**

## Word search

Look very carefully to find these words in the box below:

GOD      SORRY      HUG  
 HOME      PIGS  
 HAPPY      PARTY

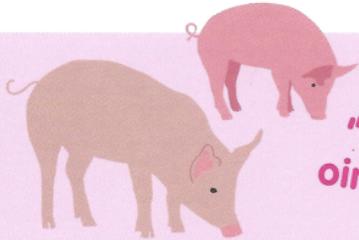
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The younger son takes his share of the family money and leaves home to have a good time. Sadly, he spends it all and ends up in a mess. This wasteful son knows he has made a mistake and goes home to say sorry. Despite everything, his loving father is just waiting for the son to come back. The father runs to meet his son and gives him a great big hug. It's time to celebrate!



## Returning home

Help the wasteful son find his way home to say sorry.



"oink, oink!"

## How many pigs?

The lost son had a job feeding pigs.  
 How many pigs can you find on this page?



## How does it feel?

How do you think the older brother felt when his dad made a fuss of the younger, wasteful son by having a big party?  
 Circle the word that describes his feelings.

JEALOUS      HAPPY      SLEEPY      LOVING

## A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Father God, for loving me so much. Help me to remember that you are always waiting to welcome me home, no matter how far I may go away from you. Help me to be generous when I see other people being loved and rewarded. Amen.

## Party time

Join the dots to make the party food.



Answers: 8 pigs.