

The Holsworthy Mission Community News

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Holsworthy Deanery Confirmation Service with Bishop Sarah

A Holsworthy Mission Community Celebration of Confirmation Service was recently held at St. Peter ad Vincula Church, Ashwater to welcome 12 candidates from Holsworthy Church, and the Ashwater Benefice and one candidate from St. Hieretha's, Chittlehampton in the South Molton Deanery.

The Rt. Rev. Sarah, Bishop of Crediton was the officiant and celebrant at the service, aided by Rev. Chris Penn, Rev. Kathy Roberts, Rev. Jane Lucas and Readers, Trevor May and Jim Williams.

The candidates and their sponsors from Tetcott Church were Nick Wonnacott, Sharon Wonnacott and Nicky Mitchell, from Clawton Church Susanne Chantler and from Ashwater Di & Chloe Westaway. Richard Prouse, Laura Prouse and Charlotte Giordani from Holsworthy and Kelsie Cooling from Chittlehampton were called by name and had hands laid on them by Bishop Sarah and all made their promises to be followers of the Christian Way.

The organ was played by Chris March and Church members were stewards. The church was filled with family members, friends of the candidates and supporters from around the Mission Community.

After the candidates and everyone had taken their Communion, Bishop Sarah and everyone went to a Bring and Share Supper in Ashwater Parish Hall, which was enjoyed, thanks to those who helped and brought food to be shared.



Holsworthy Livestock Market

Christmas Celebration to include Carols & Holsworthy Town Band

All most welcome to attend

Friday 16th December 7.30pm

Common Fund – Good News

Many Parishes in the Holsworthy Deanery/Mission Community have struggled over the years to pay their full assessment of the Common Fund to the Diocese each year.

The Common Fund goes towards paying the salaries of our clergy. In our area, this is subsidised to a large extent by the better endowed parishes in East and South Devon.

This year, due to everyone's hard work and with much encouragement from our clergy,

Holsworthy Deanery now has one of the highest percentages of Common Fund payment both in the Barnstaple Archdeaconry and the Diocese of Exeter as a whole.

We have gone from being one of the worst Deaneries in the whole Diocese to one of the best.

This is excellent news and well done to everyone who has worked so hard to achieve this.

This has been helped by many Parishes now making Common Fund payments by Standing Order and also by an increasing take up, by parishioners, of the Parish Giving Scheme.

It enables regular giving and cash flow as well as an automated system for Gift Aid claims by Parishes.

The Parish Giving Scheme also significantly reduces the workload for Parish Treasurers.

Having reached this position now is particularly timely, as the Diocesan Board of Finance has recently announced that they intend to take a more robust approach towards defaulting Parishes in the future.

ASHWATER, BEAWORTHY, CLAWTON, HALWILL & TETCOTT with LUFFINCOTT

3 rd December	Christmas Coffee Morning	Halwill Parish Hall	10.30am-noon
11 th December	Benefice Christingle Service	Ashwater Church	4.30pm
11 th December	Clawton Village Carols	Holsworthy Ales Clawton	6pm
11 th December	Carol Service	Beaworthy Church	6.30pm
17 th December	Ashwater Community Steel Band	Ashwater Church	7.30pm
18 th December	Carol Service	Ashwater Church	7pm
18 th December	Carol Service	Clawton Church	10.30am
18 th December	Carol Service	Halwill Church	11am
18 th December	Tetcott Village Carols Service	Arcscott Hall Tetcott	
19 th December	South Tetcott Hunt Carol	Tetcott Church	7pm
24 th December	Crib Service	Ashwater Church	4pm
24 th December	Carols & Coffee	Tetcott Church	7pm
24 th December	Holy Communion	Clawton Church	8.30pm
24 th December	Holy Communion	Ashwater Church	11.30pm
25 th December	Ashwater Church Christmas Celebration	Ashwater Church	10.30am
25 th December	Family Holy Communion -Together with Halwill	Beaworthy Church	9am
1 st January	Carols & Music by Candlelight	Luffincott Church	7pm
2 nd January	Tractor Run for Halwill Church Tower Fund Hot Lunch & Raffle 1pm onwards To book call Ian on 01409 220346 or mb. 07773118691	Halwill Parish Hall	10am

Beaworthy Xmas Draw-tickets £1 Call 220301, 221501 & 221291. Draw 21st December Halwill Village shop 12 noon

BLACK TORRINGTON, BRADFORD with COOKBURY, HIGHAMPTON & THORNBURY

2 nd December	Cake and Coffee	Black Torrington Chapel	10am
3 rd December	Tree Planting and Coffee Morning	Thornbury Church	10.30am
10 th December	Benefice Saturday Church followed by Iona Holy Communion	Bradford Village Hall	10am
11 th December	Christingle Service	Highampton Church	4.30pm
13 th December	Bradford School Carol Service Highampton School Carol Service		9.30am 2pm
14 th December	Black Torrington School Carol Service		2.30pm
18 th December	Carol Service Carol Service Carol Service	Bradford Church Highampton Church Thornbury Church	4pm 6.30pm 6.30pm
22 nd December	Carol Service	Black Torrington Church	7pm

24 th December	Crib Service Benefice Midnight Holy Communion	Black Torrington Church 4.30pm Bradford Church 11.30pm
25 th December	Family Christmas Holy Communion	Thornbury Church 10.30am

BRADWORTHY, SUTCOMBE, PUTFORD, ABBOTS BICKINGTON, BULKWORTHY & MILTON DAMEREL

13 th December	Monthly coffee morning/jumble sale	Bradworthy Church 10am
11 th December	Carol Service	Bradworthy Church 6.30pm
18 th December	Carol Service	Sutcombe Church 7.30pm
24 th December	Christingle Service Midnight Mass	Bradworthy Church 4pm Bradworthy Church 11.30pm

BRIDGERULE, HOLLACOMBE, HOLSWORTHY, PANCRASWEEK & PYWORTHY

4 th December	Christingle	Pyworthy Church 4pm
7 th December	Coffee Morning with stalls and raffle	Holsworthy Memorial Hall 9.30am
11 th December	Christingle in aid of The Children's Society Parish Carol Service with augmented choir and Town Band	Bridgerule Church 11.15am Holsworthy Church 6pm
12 th December	Carols	Deer Park 3pm
13 th December	Carols	Bodmeyrick 3pm
15 th December	Holsworthy Primary School Christingle Service	Holsworthy Church 1pm
16 th December	Derriton Singers Carols and Christmas Music in aid of CHSW 25 th Anniversary Appeal	Pyworthy Church 7.30 pm
18 th December	Carol Service	Bridgerule Chapel 6.30 pm
24 th December	Crib Service Carols round the tree Midnight Mass Midnight Mass	Pyworthy Church 11am Holsworthy 4pm Pyworthy Church 11.15pm Holsworthy Church 11.30pm
25 th December	Holy Communion Holy Communion Holy Communion No services at Holsworthy or Pyworthy	Hollacombe Church 9am Bridgerule Church 10.15am Pancrasweek Church 11am
28 th December	Carol Service	Hollacombe Church 3pm
1 st January	No service at Hollacombe Church, other services as per normal rota	

Please note: from the last week of December until further notice, there will be no midday Holy Communion on a Wednesday at Holsworthy, and no 8am Holy Communion on the 4th Sunday of the month at Holsworthy

For further information regarding any of the above items and the submission of future notices, please contact your local benefice correspondent below. All copy to be received by the 20th of the month please.

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