

The Holsworthy Mission Community News

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Church Trails

A training session for all those interested in making a Church Trail for their parish church

Ashwater Church and Parish Hall

Friday 10th February 2pm - 4.30pm to include tea and biscuits

With Pauline Stewart NADFAS and Canon Tim Newcombe NADFAS

Please book your places 01409 211131 lmynetman@btinternet.com by Monday 6th February at the latest.

This is likely to be a one-off event so it would be good to see every parish represented at this session.

Church Trails help increase visitor numbers and general interest in the fabric of historic churches. This in turn will help increase donations and general giving – so it has to be of benefit to each church

A NADFAS Church Trail is a question sheet that guides children and accompanying adults round a church and encourages them to engage with the architecture, history and furnishings. NADFAS members voluntarily give their time to research and write the questions and corresponding answer sheets.

The aim is to encourage 8-12 year olds and their families to learn about the building and inspire them to visit and enjoy other churches. A Church Trail is produced by a NADFAS Society with the training, help and support of their Church Trail Area Representative. The NADFAS Society bears the small cost of making the trail and setting it up in the church. The church then funds the maintenance of supplies of the trail. The question sheet is two-sided A4 in a child friendly design. The simplicity of the format keeps the cost of printing to an absolute minimum. The answers, also on two sides of an A4 sheet, are knowledgeable and well researched.

Parish Finance

Further to last month's report on the Common Fund, it is excellent to be able to report that 19 out of our 20 Parishes have now paid their 2016 assessment in full and the remaining parish will have shortly paid 90%.

These are the best figures that we have ever seen in the Holsworthy Deanery/Mission Community, and well done to everyone who has made this possible. Please keep up the good work in 2017.

Our Deanery also has the highest take up by parish of the Parish Giving Scheme in the whole Diocese with 12 out of 20 parishes now actively taking part. Other Deaneries are not far behind us so can those parishes not yet involved please register and encourage their congregations to take part.

For further information please contact Deanery Treasurer lmynetman@btinternet.com

Exeter Cathedral Choir

The Cathedral Choir is visiting St Mary's Church, Black Torrington
on **Sunday 26th February** to sing Evensong at **6.30 pm**

The Choir will consist of six adult singers and 10-12 children—senior choristers

Tea will be served at 5.45 pm before the service

Please do come along and support – everyone most welcome

CONNECT SAFARI LUNCH

**Sunday 26th February Safari Lunch starting at Halwill Baptist Hall at 12-30pm,
main course at Ashwater Parish Hall, Puddings at Chilsworthy Hall**

**Tickets £10 for adults, £5 for children, Family tickets available £25 for as many children
accompanied by an adult, from 01409 211205**



Holsworthy Deanery Synod

Thursday 23rd February 7.30pm

Holsworthy Business & Training Centre – formerly The Skills Centre

ASHWATER, BEAWORTHY, CLAWTON, HALWILL & TETCOTT with LUFFINCOTT

29 th January	Ashwater Benefice Celtic Communion	Halwill Church	11am
1 st February	Benefice Holy Communion	Halwill Church	10am
2 nd February	Good Company	Arscott Hall Tetcott	2-30pm–4pm
4 th February	Big Breakfast £7 to book 221577	Halwill Parish Hall	9-30-11-30am
5 th February	Cafe Church Jonathan Schnarr (Connect)	Halwill Baptist Hall	10.30am
11 th February	Valentines Meal by ticket only £12 to book 271606 Susanne or 271371 Irene	Clawton Memorial Hall	7-30pm
15 th February	Benefice Holy Communion	Halwill Church	10am
25 th February	Coffee morning	Beaworthy Church	10-30am
1 st March	Ash Wednesday Service Lent starts here!	Halwill Church	10am

BLACK TORRINGTON, BRADFORD with COOKBURY, HIGHAMPTON & THORNBURY

3 rd February	Cake and Coffee	Black Torrington Chapel	10am–noon
11 th February	Benefice Saturday Church followed by Holy Communion	Bradford Village Hall	10am
26 th February	Exeter Cathedral Choir to sing Evensong	Black Torrington Church	6.30pm
28 th February	Shrove Tuesday – Benefice Pancake Event	Bradford Village Hall	6pm–7.30pm

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

29 th January	Benefice Eucharist	Bradworthy Church	10.30am
7 th February	Monthly coffee morning / jumble sale	Bradworthy Church	10am

BRIDGERULE, HOLLACOMBE, HOLSWORTHY, PANCRASWEEK & PYWORTHY

29 th January	Benefice Holy Communion Followed by refreshments	Holsworthy Church	10am
2 nd Feb	Benefice Holy Communion	Pyworthy Church	7pm

ST SWITHUN'S CHURCH PYWORTHY	
2 COURSE SUNDAY LUNCH on 26th FEBRUARY in PYWORTHY VILLAGE HALL	
12.30pm for 1.00pm COST: £12.50p adults; £6.00p 12 and under	
Main course (please choose one) Braised Beef in a Red Wine Sauce Chicken in White Wine or Mushroom Sauce Salmon Fillet in Hollandaise Sauce Vegetarian Alternative	Dessert/Other Homemade Desserts/Cheese & Biscuits Bring your own Wine
Bookings please, by February 19th to Carol on 01409 253174 or Liffy on 01409 254423	
Please specify Main Course choice All Proceeds for St Swithun's Church	

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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