

Holsworthy Benefice ~ News Sheet No 30

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

18th October 2020 ~ Harvest

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SUNDAY WORSHIP IN CHURCHES

	Holsworthy	Hollacombe	Pyworthy
18th Oct	11am Harvest Eucharist		9.30am Harvest Morning Prayer
25th Oct	11am Eucharist		
1st Nov	11am Confirmation	3pm Said Evening Prayer (BCP)	9.30am Morning Prayer
8th Nov	11am Act of Remembrance		9.30am Act of Remembrance
15th Nov	11am Eucharist		9.30am Morning Prayer
22nd Nov	11am Eucharist		
29th Nov	11am Eucharist		

This Sunday we celebrate
Harvest

If you would like to donate to FoodBank there is a collection box at the foot of the font on the left as you go into St Peter and St Paul's

WORSHIP, PRAYER AND STUDY ON ZOOM

Sundays	9.30am	Morning Worship	All on Zoom details below; https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82633460276? To join by phone: 0131 460 1196 ID 826 3346 0276 Password: benefice
Tuesdays	7pm	Contemplative Prayer	
Wednesdays	3pm	Starting 4th Nov - 'Understanding Isaiah'	
Fridays	12 Noon	Midday Prayer	

Confirmation Service

1st November,

TICKETS

You will need a ticket to attend this service.

These will be given out after the 11am service on 18th and 25th October.

PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR 18th October

19th Sunday after Trinity

Those enslaved by a life of crime, local Agricultural workers, all who live at Lana.

For a fair share of resources

Young people

Our church community

Those suffering from stress

For prisoners

For our deepening conversion

Monday 19th October (Henry Martyn)

Tuesday 20th October

Wednesday 21st October

Thursday 22nd October

Friday 23rd October

Saturday 24th October

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO EVERYONE

When attending church, please sanitise your hands and take your seat.

Do not wonder around the church, or go over to people to talk to them.

AT ALL TIMES DO NOT TOUCH ANYTHING WITH HANDS, BAGS, COATS

ETC, OTHER THAN YOUR PEW.

At all times please stay **2 meters** apart.

When the service has finished please leave the church without mixing.

Prayers of Penitence

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

(Kneel - silence is kept to recall our sins)

God our Father, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

All

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

All

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

All

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

All

We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

All

First Reading
The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9.6-end

Psalm 65

The response to the psalm;

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

R **Be joyful in God, all the earth.**

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid. To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins; when our misdeeds prevail against us, you will purge them away. R

Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there. We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house, even of your holy temple. R

With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. In your strength you set fast the mountains and are girded about with might. R

You still the raging of the seas, the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples. Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels; the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise. R

You visit the earth and water it; you make it very plenteous. The river of God is full of water; you prepare grain for your people, for so you provide for the earth. R

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase. You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty. R

May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness and the hills be girded with joy. May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing. R

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God, the God of all peoples of the earth.

For the colour and forms of your creation and our place within it, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

your mercy endures for ever.

For our daily food, and for those whose work and skill bring your good gifts to us, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

your mercy endures for ever.

For the gifts and graces inspired in human minds and hearts; for insight and imagination, for the skills of research which bring healing and fulfilment to the lives of many; we bring our thanks, good Lord:

your mercy endures for ever.

For the light and shades of the changing seasons, and their variety and dependability; or new life and growth out of barrenness and decay; we bring our thanks, good Lord:

your mercy endures for ever.

For all in whose lives we see goodness, kindness, gentleness, patience and humility, and all the fruit of the Spirit, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

your mercy endures for ever.

Coming to church during the covid-19 pandemic

IN THE HOLSWORTHY BENEFICE

Everyone, without symptoms or those needing to self isolate, ***are very welcome.***

It is at your own discretion, including those of a higher risk category.

Please carefully consider your needs, especially if you are in a higher risk category, before attending services in church buildings.

Please follow all the guidance to keep you and others as safe as possible.

If you decide to come to a service in a church building please stay alert and carry out the following;

- A face covering must be worn
- Keep to the 2 meters social distancing and don't linger anywhere (the radiators are not on yet!!). Doorways and aisles are to be kept clear of people. This is important as we don't have wide aisles and only one door to enter and exit.
- Good hand hygiene must be followed - sanitiser is to be used on entry and exit of the building.
- Gloves are not recommended. It is more difficult to sanitise gloves than hands. If you wear gloves without changing them constantly you still need to sanitise!
- The doors will be left open throughout the service (this will be reassessed in September).
- There will be no congregational singing during the service until advice says it is safe to do so (the celebrant may sing from a distance if their voice is on form!).
- There will be a plate by the door for your offering - please sanitise your hands before and after.
- After sanitising
 - please go straight to the furthest forward empty pew.
 - Service books will be in the pews.

This is to ensure 2 meters social distancing when entering and exiting the building.

- You may light votive candles as normal, please make sure the sanitiser on your hands is dry, and you leave 2 meters social distance. This also helps people to have their own prayer space.....
- Please do not hold out for sitting where you normally sit!
- Please sit in the middle of the pew and not either end.
- You are very welcome to kneel, sit or stand as per the custom of the church.
- The Celebrant alone receives both bread & wine.
- The words of distribution "the body of Christ" are said by the Celebrant before the distribution with the congregation responding "Amen".
- Distribution of communion will be by the Celebrant bringing the bread to you in your pew.
- Please be aware the Celebrant will wear a mask and may wear a visor. This is for you, theirs and their families' protection.
- To receive the sacrament, please stand, sit or kneel as you are able.
- The distribution takes place in silence with the wafer carefully dropped into the hands of the communicant. Please hold both hands (one cupping the other) out stretched so as much social distance can be maintained.
- Please remember not to say Amen out loud on receiving the host. If you do don't worry and try to remember not to next time.
- At the end of the service please leave in order of those closest to the door first.
- Please don't linger after the service and keep the doorway and aisles free.
- At this time there will be no refreshments after the service - sorry.
- If you wish to talk to the priest after the service please remain in your pew, they will come to you (2 meters).

Please keep the opening of churches and starting to worship in the buildings in your prayers. Please pray for the clergy and others involved during this time. Pray especially for the younger generations that are making it possible for churches to open and services to commence.