

25th June 2023 - Third Sunday after Trinity

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

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Services in Holsworthy Benefice - All Welcome

	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
25th June	11am Joint Sung Eucharist		9.30am Morning Prayer	9.30am All Age Eucharist	9.30am Morning Prayer
2nd July	11am Morning Prayer	3pm BCP Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist and 6pm Civic Service		9.30am Morning Prayer
9th July	11am Morning Prayer		11am Ecumenical Service in square		9.30am Morning Prayer
15th July			6.30pm Combined Holy Communion at St Swithun's, Pyworthy		6.30pm Holy Communion St Swithun's celebration
16th July	11am Joint Service at the Methodist Chapel	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Prayer		9.30am Morning Prayer
23rd July	11am Joint Sung Eucharist		9.30am Morning Prayer	9.30am All Age Eucharist	9.30am Sung Eucharist
30th July	10am Benefice Sung Eucharist at Pyworthy				

**Wednesday
5th July, Fair
Day, the
Pretty Maid
Ceremony is
at 12 noon**

A big thank you to everyone that supported the joint Holsworthy and Hollacombe coffee morning on the 14th. We made a fantastic £332.20.

Holsworthy History Society

The next meeting of the Society is on Thursday 13th July, the topic being Forgotten Women. We meet in the Manor Suite (behind the Memorial Hall) at 7.00 pm.

All are welcome.

For more information contact Julia Warren on 079388

Text of the week - Matthew 10:24

What I say to you is in the dark, tell in the light.

You are invited !

Please join us for a Farewell Service for
Rev'd Richard Freeman

On Sunday 2nd July at 6.30pm in St John the Baptist Church, Bradworthy

And afterwards for refreshment in
Bradworthy Memorial Hall

R.S.V.P. (for catering)

Richard Boughton

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Christians Together in Holsworthy & District

St Peter's Fair

Open-air service

11am for 11.30

Worship in words and music Sunday, July 9th

Holsworthy Square

Free refreshments from 11am

ALL ARE WELCOME

Plus... PUPPET stories All-age craft activities

* In the Parish Church, if wet

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into
our hearts whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to
your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of
God;
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 Jeremiah 20:7-13

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah cried out: O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

PSALM Psalm 69:8-11. (12-17). 18-20 (or 69:14-20)

R Hide not your face from your servant, O Lord.

For your sake have I suffered reproach;
shame has covered my face.
I have become a stranger to my kindred,
an alien to my mother's children. **R**

Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen
upon me.

I humbled myself with fasting,
but that was turned to my reproach. **R**

I put on sack cloth also
and became a byword among them.
Those who sit at the gate murmur against
me,
and the drunkards make songs about me. **R**

But as for me, I make my prayer to you,
O Lord;
at an acceptable time, O God.
Answer me, O God, in the abundance of
your mercy
and with your sure salvation. **R**

Draw me out of the mire, that I sink not;
let me be rescued from those who hate me
and out of the deep waters.
Let not the water flood drown me,
neither the deep swallow me up;
let not the Pit shut its mouth upon me. **R**

Answer me, Lord, for your loving-kindness
is good;
turn to me in the multitude of your mercies.
Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift to answer me, for I am in trouble.
Draw near to my soul and redeem me;
deliver me because of my enemies. **R**

SECOND READING Romans 6:1b-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So

you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

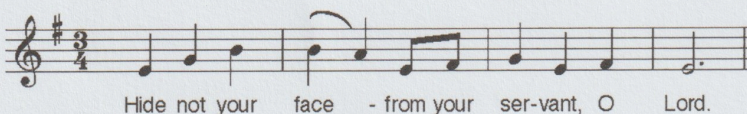
GOSPEL Matthew 10:24-39

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

POST COMMUNION

O God, whose beauty is beyond our
imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp
it,
and shield us from knowing more than we
can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.





Sunday 25 June 2023
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 10:26-33

In the
GOSPEL TODAY

**DO NOT
BE AFRAID!**



Jesus tells us that God loves us so much we do not need to be afraid. God loves the sparrows, but we are even more important than hundreds of sparrows. God loves us so much he knows everything about us - even the number of hairs on our head!

How many hairs?

Can you count how many hairs this boy has on his head?

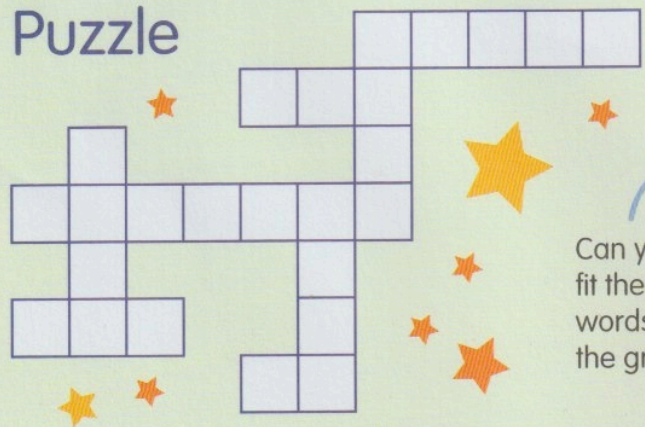


Guess how many hairs are on your head. Do you love anyone enough to try to count the hairs on their head? Give it a go!



Draw yourself and your hairstyle here.

Puzzle



**EVEN THE
HAIRS ON
YOUR
HEAD
ARE
COUNTED**

Can you fit these words into the grid?

How many sparrows?

How many sparrows can you find hidden on this page?

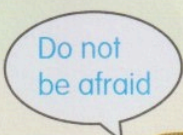


A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, sometimes I am afraid and do not know what to do. Please help me to remember you love me and are always supporting me. Help me to find people to help and find a way round my worries. Amen.

My supporter

The Gospel today tells us that Jesus is on our side.



Write your name on Jesus' banner, to show he supports you.

