



## 29th Aug 2021 - Trinity 13

### 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		
Trinity 13	29th August	10am Benefice Eucharist at Pyworthy						
Trinity 14	5th Sept		3pm Evening Prayer	11am Eucharist				
Trinity 15	12th Sept	11am Eucharist	7pm Harvest Festival	11am Eucharist		9.30am Eucharist		
Trinity 16	19th Sept	11am Morning Prayer	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Eucharist		9.30am Morning Prayer		
Creative Church 3.30pm at St Peter and St Pauls Church, Holsworthy								

### Weekly via Zoom - All Welcome

Fridays	12 Noon	Midday Prayers - pop in when you can	Zoom details; <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82633460276?">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82633460276?</a> To join by phone: 0131 460 1196 ID 826 3346 0276 Password: benefice
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### Dates for your Diary

11th Sep	10am -12noon St Bridget's Gift Day	Bridgerule Village Hall
19th Sep	3.30pm Creative Church - see below	St Peter and St Paul's Church
2nd Oct	10am - 1pm Holsworthy Churchyard Tidy Up.	St Peter and St Paul's Church
3rd Oct	9.30am Pets and all Creatures blessing and service	Pyworthy Parish Church
31st Oct	3pm All Souls Service, memorial service to remember our loved ones	Pyworthy Parish Church

#### Text for the Week - Romans 12:4-5

**For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.**

#### HARVEST SERVICES

12th September 7pm Hollacombe  
26th September 9.30am Pyworthy  
1st October (Fri) 7pm Pancrasweek  
10th October 11am Bridgerule  
17th October 11am Holsworthy



#### Thank You

##### What a difference!

It was great to have so many people come along and help with the Holsworthy Churchyard Tidy Up. Thanks also for the lovely home made goodies, enjoyed by all. The next date to continue with the tidy up is **2nd Oct 10am -1pm**

**NEW**  
**For Everyone** families  
couples, singles, young & old  
**CREATIVE CHURCH**

MONTHLY STARTING ON

**19 SEPT 2021**

**3.30PM AT**

**HOLSWORTHY CHURCH**  
**ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S**



**JUST TURN UP**  
CHILDREN WITH AN ADULT



**CAFE STYLE CHURCH WITH FREE REFRESHMENTS THROUGHOUT, CHOICE OF STUFF TO DO, MUSIC, CRAFTS FOR KIDS AND ADULTS, WOODWORK ETC**

**CREATE AND LEARN ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN A FUN AND INTERACTIVE WAY**

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**FURTHER DATES: 17 OCT, 21 NOV, 19 DEC**  
**3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 3.30PM**

## GOD IN THE ARTS – August 2021

*Editor: The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with 'Jacob's Dream' by Ribera. It now hangs in the Museo del Prado, Madrid, Spain.*

You can see a copy of the painting at: [http://www.spanisharts.com/history/barroco/imagenes/ribera/ribera\\_suenojacobo.html](http://www.spanisharts.com/history/barroco/imagenes/ribera/ribera_suenojacobo.html)

### 'The Lord is in this place'

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> century a Chinese philosopher, Chang Tsu, had a very vivid dream. He dreamed he was a butterfly, happily flying here and there. When he awoke, he thought to himself, 'Did Chang Tsu dream that he was a butterfly, or did the butterfly dream that it was Chang Tsu?' Dreams are often like that: crucial experiences which cause us to ponder and wonder about their meaning. The prophet Joel suggested that it was old men who dream dreams, while young people see visions. But dreams invade and colour our sleeping hours, whatever age we are.



In the Bible dreams are vital events. Think of Joseph in the Old Testament dreaming of his superiority among his brothers, the dreams of the cup bearer and baker at Pharaoh's court, Daniel interpreting Nebuchadnezzar's dreams, and Joseph's dreams in the Gospels that were so crucial for the safety of the Holy Family. This month in our paintings we focus on 'Jacob's Dream' by Ribera.

Jusepe de Ribera was a Spanish artist, whose most productive years were spent in Naples, where he died in 1652. This painting from 1639 is based on Genesis 28. After depriving his brother Esau of his birthright, Jacob is sent to Laban. At Bethel he rested and in his sleep received the vision of God's angels on the ladder to heaven with God's reassuring words of promise and blessing. When he awoke, Jacob set up an altar at Bethel, which he declared was the house of God and the gate of heaven.

To baroque artists, this scene in Genesis was seen as a prefiguration of the coming of Jesus, and in John's Gospel Jesus Himself told Nathanael that he would see the angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man. For Ribera the subject of Jacob's dream is treated with great tenderness as Jacob sleeps beneath the luminous expanse of sky, which occupies a major part of the canvas. Not for him the depiction of winged messengers; no, the light of heaven falls down upon the sleeping figure, casting shadows on the ground. The angels, ethereal and insubstantial, are contained in the glory of light. The tree at the other side looks like a fallen cross, and Jacob almost like a sleeping disciple in Gethsemane. But here, he is in deep repose as his face is lit up with the golden glow of the heavenly messengers.

For Jacob, the dream is the golden assurance of God's blessing. As his saga continues in Genesis, he marries Laban's daughters, wrestles with the divine stranger, is given the name Israel, and his 12 sons become the ancestors of the 12 tribes of God's people. So, the blessing of the dream is worked out in his life and the life of Israel.

Dreams can come to give visions of the way life should be. Like Jacob, or perhaps like Martin Luther King and his prophetic words in 1963. In this month of August many of us will go on holiday to enjoy rest and recreation. As we end the days with sleep, we pray that like the Psalmist we will lie down in perfect peace and safety and know the refreshment Jacob found at Bethel: a repose which will restore our souls and bodies to bring life and vision wherever we may be.

## COLLECT

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the  
world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of  
your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to  
you;  
through him who was lifted up on the  
cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING

### Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-9

*A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.*

Moses spoke to the people; he said:  
So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes  
and ordinances that I am teaching  
you to observe, so that you may live  
to enter and occupy the land that the  
LORD, the God of your ancestors,  
is giving you. You must neither add  
anything to what I command you nor  
take away anything from it, but keep  
the commandments of the LORD your  
God with which I am charging you. You  
must observe them diligently, for this  
will show your wisdom and discernment  
to the peoples, who, when they hear  
all these statutes, will say, "Surely this  
great nation is a wise and discerning  
people!" For what other great nation  
has a god so near to it as the LORD our  
God is whenever we call to him? And  
what other great nation has statutes  
and ordinances as just as this entire law  
that I am setting before you today? But  
take care and watch yourselves closely,  
so as neither to forget the things that  
your eyes have seen nor to let them slip  
from your mind all the days of your life;  
make them known to your children and  
your children's children.

## PSALM Psalm 15

**R** *Through the greatness of your  
mercy, I will come into your house.*



Lord, who may dwell in your  
tabernacle?  
Who may rest upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads an uncorrupt life  
and does the thing that is right; **R**

Who speaks the truth from the heart  
and bears no deceit on the tongue;  
Who does no evil to a friend  
and pours no scorn on a neighbour; **R**

In whose sight the wicked are not  
esteemed,  
but who honours those who fear the  
Lord.

Whoever has sworn to a neighbour  
and never goes back on that word; **R**

Who does not lend money in hope of  
gain,  
nor takes a bribe against the innocent;  
Whoever does these things  
shall never fall. **R**

## SECOND READING James 1:17-end

*A reading from the letter of James.*

Every generous act of giving, with every  
perfect gift, is from above, coming  
down from the Father of lights, with  
whom there is no variation or shadow  
due to change. In fulfilment of his own  
purpose he gave us birth by the word  
of truth, so that we would become a  
kind of first fruits of his creatures. You  
must understand this, my beloved: let  
everyone be quick to listen, slow to  
speak, slow to anger; for your anger  
does not produce God's righteousness.  
Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness  
and rank growth of wickedness, and  
welcome with meekness the implanted  
word that has the power to save your  
souls. But be doers of the word, and not  
merely hearers who deceive themselves.  
For if any are hearers of the word and  
not doers, they are like those who look  
at themselves in a mirror; for they look  
at themselves and, on going away,  
immediately forget what they were like.  
But those who look into the perfect law,  
the law of liberty, and persevere, being  
not hearers who forget but doers who  
act – they will be blessed in their doing.  
If any think they are religious, and do  
not bridle their tongues but deceive  
their hearts, their religion is worthless.  
Religion that is pure and undefiled  
before God, the Father, is this: to care  
for orphans and widows in their distress,

and to keep oneself unstained by the  
world.

## GOSPEL Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

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

When the Pharisees and some of the  
scribes who had come from Jerusalem  
gathered around Jesus, they noticed  
that some of his disciples were eating  
with defiled hands, that is, without  
washing them. (For the Pharisees, and  
all the Jews, do not eat unless they  
thoroughly wash their hands, thus  
observing the tradition of the elders;  
and they do not eat anything from the  
market unless they wash it; and there  
are also many other traditions that they  
observe, the washing of cups, pots,  
and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees  
and the scribes asked him, "Why do  
your disciples not live according to  
the tradition of the elders, but eat  
with defiled hands?" Jesus said to  
them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about  
you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This  
people honours me with their lips, but  
their hearts are far from me; in vain  
do they worship me, teaching human  
precepts as doctrines.' You abandon  
the commandment of God and hold to  
human tradition." Then he called the  
crowd again and said to them, "Listen  
to me, all of you, and understand:  
there is nothing outside a person that  
by going in can defile, but the things  
that come out are what defile. For it is  
from within, from the human heart, that  
evil intentions come: fornication, theft,  
murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness,  
deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander,  
pride, folly. All these evil things come  
from within, and they defile a person."

## POST COMMUNION

God our creator,  
you feed your children with the true  
manna,  
the living bread from heaven:  
let this holy food sustain us through  
our earthly pilgrimage  
until we come to that place where  
hunger and thirst are no more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Sunday 29 August 2021  
 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

My name is \_\_\_\_\_

**S**ome Pharisees complain that some of Jesus' disciples are eating without washing their hands in the traditional way. Jesus says that people should do things because they love God and not just because it is what usually happens.

## LOVE GOD

We know that washing our hands is important to stay healthy. Help Albie find his way to the sink through the maze.



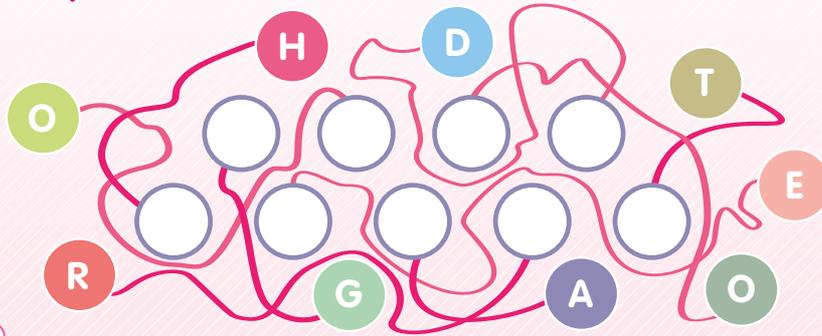
### Odd one out

Circle the word describing a body part that doesn't belong in the hand.



### Even more important...

Jesus says that something is even more important than clean hands! Move each letter to its empty circle to see what it is.



### Using our hands

We use our hands to do so many things.

Find some of them by matching the beginnings and ends of these hands.



### A PRAYER TO SAY

**D**ear Jesus, thank you for our good hearts and our wonderful hands which do so many things. Help us to use them wisely and help other people whenever we can. Amen.

Answer: Odd one out: toe. Using our hands: wash, touch, clap, wave, help, pray. Even more important: good heart.