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Teignmouth,
Bishopsteignton, Ideford,
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Shaldon and Ringmore*

Praying and Growing in Christian discipleship and
Serving the people of Devon with joy

Welcome to our churches
Sunday 16th February 2025
Third Sunday before Lent

Jeremiah 17. 5-10

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the
wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;

it is perverse— who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

The Resurrection of the Dead

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the
dead, how can some of you say there is no
resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection
of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if
Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation
has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We
are even found to be misrepresenting God,
because we testified of God that he raised Christ—
whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are
not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then
Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been
raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your
sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have
perished. If for this life only we have hoped in
Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.
But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have died.

Luke 6. 17-26

Jesus Teaches and Heals

He came down with them and stood on a level
place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a
great multitude of people from all Judea,
Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.

They had come to hear him and to be healed of
their diseases; and those who were troubled
with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the
crowd were trying to touch him, for power
came out from him and healed all of them.

Blessings and Woes

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

‘Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

‘Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

‘Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

‘Blessed are you when people hate you, and
when they exclude you, revile you, and defame
you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on
that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward
is great in heaven; for that is what their
ancestors did to the prophets.

‘But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

‘Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

‘Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

‘Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that
is what their ancestors did to the false
prophets.

Collect

Almighty God, who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace so to love what you
command and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys
are to be found; 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.

Amen

Post Communion Collect

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us
the bread of life, that those who come to him
should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith
and love, that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Requests to Guide Your Prayers

(Please contact clergy for inclusion)

Residential home: Glendale

The healing and wholeness of:

David Wright (St Michael's), Jack Eastwood, Rebecca Davis, Mike Hurst, Margaret Baxter and Nobby Bray.

Circle of Care: Andy Dyson, Maggie Halford, Tony Corlett, Janet Paget, Max Guy, Marion Delaney, John Wibberley, Cynthia Mosely, Chris Newton, Nicholas Brixton, Len Parkyn and Andy Harding.

The recently departed and their family and friends:

Iris Miller, Teresa Cleary, Andrew Snell, John Perryman, Jacob Prowse, David Williams and Geoff McAllister.

Services During the week

Tues 18th 9.30am - St Michael's: Holy Communion
Thurs 20th 9.30am – St Peters: short Morning Prayer (a reflective silence preceding the start of the 'Come Follow Me' Quiet Day at 10.00am – see below

Services Next Sunday 23rd February

Second Sunday before Lent

8.00am – St James: Holy Communion
9.30am – St John's: Family Church with Holy Communion
9.30am - St Michael: Holy Communion
9.30am - St Nicholas: Matins
11.00am – St James: Holy Communion
11.00am – St Peter's: Holy Communion

Sarah Whitty has now started as our new administrator. We will publish her working hours soon. In the meantime, please email office@haldonteam.org.uk

APCM dates are being announced in Teignmouth and Shaldon and new Electoral Rolls are being prepared. This year, like Joseph and his family, everybody needs to “travel to Bethlehem” by completing an application form to be added to the roll. See information in your church for final dates 😊😊

Future events open to everyone across the Mission Community

"Come Follow Me" – A Quiet Day in the Ignatian Tradition at St Peter's Church, Shaldon, TQ14 0DB Thur. 20th Feb. 10 - 3pm.

Come and explore Jesus' unique invitation to you to follow Him.

** There are still some places available for last minute bookings; please contact 01626 873492 or watsonmaladie@aol.com by Tues 18th Feb at the latest)

Dorcias Group are holding a coffee morning with a raffle on Tuesday 18th Feb at 11am in the Upper Narthex.

Pilgrimage to Cornwall. Rev Carol is taking a small group to stay in Epiphany Retreat House from Mon 3rd -Thurs 6th March. We'll visit Cornish churches hear about their saints spend time together in prayer & study. Cost £265 DBB plus small contribution travel.

Save the Date. 22nd March Franciscan Quiet Day. St Michaels with Rev. Paul Smedley. More details to follow. All welcome.

Torbay Symphony Orchestra concert in St. Peter's Sunday 9th March - at 4.00pm - Wagner-Strauss-Brahms - tickets £15 - see www.torbaysymphony.org for concessions & to book.

Lent Course The journey to Easter. Handel's Messiah

Handel's Messiah is beautiful choral music telling the story of the life of Christ. In song, we learn about Christ's Nativity, Passion, Resurrection and Ascension.

The spreading of the first gospel is gloriously summarised in the Hallelujah chorus.

You are warmly invited to take part in this Lent course, starting on **Monday 10th March and ending on Monday 7th April.**

It will be a time of listening to extracts from the Messiah, while reflecting on the Christian journey, as we approach Easter (the Passion).

Meeting in the Methodist Church, Bishopsteignton, arriving at 6.45, for tea and coffee, with a prompt start at 7 pm and finishing about 8.15 pm.

If you would like to join, please contact Ruth Sewell, emailing her at:

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Registering for the course is essential

Pewsheets submissions by 10am please on Thurs to office office@haldonteam.org.uk
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