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Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 13 September 2015

Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit. Please do join us for refreshments in the hall after the 10.30am service.

Sunday 13 September		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	All Age Worship with the baptism of Lucy Biden	
5.30pm	Prayer meeting at 5.30pm with cup of tea at 5pm	
During the Week		
Mon	7.30pm Standing & Finance Committee	
Tues	9am Morning Prayer	
	9.30-11.30am 'Open House' Parents & Toddlers - the Lounge	
	3.15pm Messy Church	
Wed	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge	
	6-7pm Prayer Meeting – Rose Price room – <i>note new time</i>	
Thurs	10.30-11.30am Prayer Meeting – the Ark	
Fri	7.30pm Organ Recital with David Davis	
Sat	1pm Wedding of Katie Taylor and Matthew Tregale	
Sunday 20 September		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	
6pm	Youth Service	

What's On & News

Calling all cooks! Is anyone available for Messy Church catering on Tuesday 20 October please. If so please see Norma Gerry or the office. Thank you.

Drivers required If you would be able to help give lifts to church on a Sunday morning please could you let Jean Fricker know.

The youth bank are having a sponsored sleepover on the 10th-11th October 2015 where they will be giving up technology and trying a range of challenges related to the persecuted church. If you would like to come please speak to Tessa Barton or Ruth Jones or email Ruth, ruth.stmatthias@gmail.com. If you have any boardgames that we can borrow for this sleepover can you let Ruth know ASAP please? Many thanks!!

Ordination of Paul Barton Saturday 26 September at 3pm at St Matthias Church followed by a cream tea in the Hall.

Come and Sing!!!!!! You may have seen already the invitations to sing and give a lead to the music for Paul's Ordination service on Saturday, 26 Sept at 3pm as well as to do the same for the Harvest Festival service on 11 Oct at 10.30am. All singers are welcome. The Ordination Service will involve learning new pieces together with singers from Cockington Church and may be more enjoyed by singers with some experience whilst the music for Harvest will be more readily accessible to any who perhaps have not sung in a choir before but perhaps recently inspired by Geraldine Latty, would like to use their voice in worship. Please come and sing in one of these services or both. Attendance at the rehearsals is essential. These will not be onerous and should also be fun! We shall rehearse on Thursdays from 5.30 until 7.00pm, finishing promptly. To ensure that we have music copies for everyone and to help planning, please let Barry Dunnage know that you are coming to sing. Please do this ideally by e-mail to barrydunnage@aol.com, or phone 616454 or even speak to me!! Ordination rehearsals will be on 17 and 24 Sept and Harvest Festival rehearsals on 1 and 8 Oct. You could just send the message, 'Ordination', 'Harvest' or 'Both'. If you have any queries of any kind do be in touch. Barry

TORQUAY CELEBRATE WEEKEND 2015! 17th & 18th October at St Cuthbert Mayne School Torquay TQ1 4RN with Charles Whitehead, David Wells, Rev. Russ Parker (former Director of Acorn Healing Foundation), Jenny Baker and even

more workshops to choose from this year! More details and booking form soon to be available on the Celebrate website: www.celebrateconference.org
We hope to see you there. Every blessing, Torquay Celebrate Core Team



Wondering what life is all about? Wanting to find out more about the Christian faith? We are going to be running a course exploring the Christian faith beginning in early October and November beginning on Monday 12 October in the evening. It's called 'START!' and will consist of 6

sessions. To find out more, please email or phone the office (details at end of this notice sheet) or have a look at www.st-matthias-church.org

Torbay Deanery Evensong 11 October at 6.30pm at St John's Church, Torquay with the choir and organists of Exeter Cathedral.

HARVEST LUNCH

The Annual Harvest Lunch will take place on **Sunday 11 October** after the morning service. In order to ensure we cater for the correct numbers please sign the list on the notice board in the hall. The cost will be £6 per adult, £3 for under 14s and a family ticket for £15. This is a lovely opportunity for the church family to join together in fellowship.

COACH TRIP TO CARDIFF

On **Saturday 21 November** this is a great opportunity to get some Christmas shopping, enjoy lunch and explore this lovely city. The cost is £16 pp payable in advance but please indicate your intention to join us on the list in the hall. Please speak to any Social Core Group members for more details. This is a full day event which in the past has proved to be a great day out! Cheques or cash can be handed into the office (clearly marked Cardiff) or to Sue Gray.

JOLLYWEEN

Saturday 31 October – more information to follow

Social Core Group

Readings for Today

Psalm 19

- ¹The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
- ² Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.
- ³ They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.
- ⁴ Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

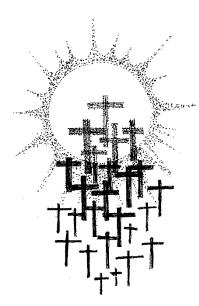
- It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, like a champion rejoicing to run his course.
- ⁶ It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth.
- ⁷The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul.
- The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.
- ⁸ The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.
- The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes.
- ⁹ The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever.
- The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous.
- ¹⁰ They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold;
- they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.
- ¹¹ By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

- ¹² But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults.
- 13 Keep your servant also from wilful sins; may they not rule over me.

 Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression.
- ¹⁴ May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight,

 LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Mark 8: 27-38



²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, 'Who do people say I am?'

²⁸They replied, 'Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'

²⁹ 'But what about you?' he asked. 'Who do you say I am?' Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah.'

³⁰ Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be

killed and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. 'Get behind me, Satan!' he said. 'You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.'

Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.'

Suggested topics to help in our private prayer time	
Today	All age Worship. Please pray for all who lead in any part of the service. Pray too for the baptism of Lucy Biden, all her family and friends that they may feel really welcome. Pray for the afternoon Prayer Meeting praying that many will come and PRAY.
Mon	Pray for those migrants trying to come into Europe. Pray for their safety and future. Pray for the countries planning to have them in their countries. Pray for generosity and wisdom.
Tues	We pray for students going up to University; that they will settle in quickly, manage financially and work hard! Pray for Messy Church this afternoon praising God for increasing numbers. Pray they may all understand God's love better.
Wed	Please pray for Paul Barton that he may have full strength and spiritual understanding as he is soon to be ordained Priest. Pray too for Steve in his Reader Training. Pray that both may be able to juggle their jobs and their training to God's glory and their satisfaction.
Thurs	Pray for Street, School and Prayer Pastors around the Bay that they may be used mightily by God to help and support, and that others may come forward to join them.
Fri	Pray for the staff in our Church and thank God for all they do. Pray too for all who do jobs in the life of the Church, including Pere in the church office. Thank God for all who clean and do flower decorating.
Sat	Pray for the church Pre-School and Parents and Toddlers group, for the two Church Schools, their teachers children and parents.
Sun	Pray for our services today, remembering all who proclaim God's Word claiming God's promise that "His word will not return to him void."

Collect

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false teaching
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen





The Friends - Dates for your Diary

18 Sept @ 7.30pm Organ recital by David Davis 3 Oct @ 10.30–2.30pm Blackberry & Apple Fayre

For more information about these events please see posters.

Creche, Toilets, Baby Changing Facilities

At 10.30 communion services there is a staffed crèche in the Lounge downstairs, but if you wish to stay in the service, toys are available at the front of church. Baby changing facilities are available in both toilets on the lower ground floor. There is a disabled access toilet at this level on your left as you exit church.

Contacting the Church

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