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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.

Today			
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
10.30am	Holy Communion with the Rev Andrew Green as our preacher		
6pm	Youth Service		
During the Week			
Mon	7.30pm PCC in the Lounge		
Tues	9am Morning Prayer		
	9.30-11.30am Open House parents and toddlers in the Lounge		
	3.15pm Messy Church		
Wed	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge		
	6-7pm Prayer Meeting in the church/Ark		
	7.45pm Alpha course begins in the church		
Thurs	10.30-11.30am Prayer Meeting in the Ark		
Fri	6.30pm Youth Club in the Hall		
Sunday 24 January			
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
10.30am	Prayzone in the Hall		
10.30am	Morning Worship in the church		
6pm	United Service to mark the World Week of Prayer at Salvation		
	Army, Market Street with guest speaker Rev Rich Webb from		
	Upton Vale Baptist Church		

Readings

Ephesians 3: 14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

John 2: 1-11

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.'

4 'Woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.'

⁵ His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

⁶ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

⁷ Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim. ⁸ Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.' They did so, ⁹ and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰ and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.' What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Collect

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Suggestions for your own prayers		
Today	Pray for our services - especially for the Rev Andrew Green our	
	preacher.	
Mon	Pray for the preparations for the Winter Night Shelter during February.	
Tues	For Messy Church today and for all children, parents and helpers.	
Wed	For our CMS Link Missionaries, the Roche family in the Lebanon.	
Thurs	For Cecil Johnston in his work in Fort Portal, Uganda.	
Fri	The Archbishops and Bishops need our prayers in all their leadership	
	both in church and State.	
Sat	Pray for our Rector and all who work with him to extend God's Kingdom.	
	We pray especially for Steve vans Colina and Stephen Yates (our curate	
	to be) in their training.	
Sun	For all who are sick, housebound or finding life difficult because they	
	cannot be in church.	

What's On & News

You will be sad to hear that Kelly Housecroft has recently passed away. Her funeral will be held at St Matthias Church on Saturday 30 January at 1pm. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

St Matthias Church Family Lunch Sunday 31 January Please sign up at the back of church or on the hall noticeboard if you would like to attend. £6 adult, £3 under 14, £15 family ticket.

Tea towel rota We are looking for 2 people who could regularly take home some tea towels to wash on a rota basis once a month. Please see Pere if you are able to help. Thank you.

Ice Skating The Youth Club will be going ice skating in Plymouth on Sat 27 Feb. This is open to all young people in years 6-9 – you don't have to belong to the youth club. Please let Ruth Jones know if you would like to come along (ruth.stmatthias@gmail.com).

St Matthias now has its own minibus and we are trying to establish how many people would appreciate being picked up on a Sunday to attend the 10.30 service. We would also like to know of any people who would like to go on a rota of drivers (to do this you need to be between 30 and 70 years old and have a minibus entitlement (D1) on your driving licence).

Please indicate on the list at the back of church if you are a potential user or driver or know of any other church members who would appreciate a lift or let Pere know in the office. For further information please contact Tony Barratt.

Lent Course on prayer "Finding the heart's true home" 5 x Thursday evenings beginning on 18 February. Pick up a leaflet from the back of church for more information.

Help for Alpha course Help is needed please to make coffee, serve puddings and to move chairs to set up the room from 7.15-8pm on each of 8 sessions beginning on Wednesday 20 January. Please let the office know if you can help.

Home Groups Home groups meet around the parish at a variety of times, usually fortnightly, with styles to suit everyone. If you would like to join a group, please contact Norman & Lindsay Doidge, Oakyarde, 8 Bunting Close, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ12 6BU, 01626 364333 or e-mail admin@st-matthias-church.org so that we can place you in the group that suits you best. For more information see the notice board in the hall. Meeting times below:

Time	Venue
Mondays 9.30am	Wellswood Avenue (mums and young children)
Tuesdays 7.30pm	Church Centre Lounge (Alpha follow-on group)
Wednesdays 10.30am	Church Centre
Wednesdays 2.15pm	Ilsham Rd
Wednesdays 3pm	Asheldon Rd
Wednesdays 7.30pm	Livermead
Thursdays 7.15pm	Chelston
Thursdays 7.30pm	Watcombe Heights/Ridge Rd, Maidencombe
Thursdays 7.30pm	Higher Lincombe Rd
Fridays 2.30pm	Sundial Lodge
Friday eves	Youth home group

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