



Welcome!

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

Today

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	All Age Worship for Remembrance Sunday
5.30pm	Evening Holy Communion
7.30pm	<i>"Under One Roof 2" at the Princess Theatre</i>

During the Week

Mon	12.30pm Funeral of Anna Powell
Tues	9am Morning Prayer <i>in the church</i>
	9-11.30am Open House parents and toddlers group <i>in the Lounge</i>
	7.45pm Alpha <i>in the Lounge</i>
	7.30pm Girls Allowed <i>in the Hall</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
Thurs	10.30-12.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>in the Ark</i>

Sunday 19 November

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
5.30pm	Youth Led Service

Collect

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Readings

Amos 5: 18-24

Woe to you who long

for the day of the LORD!

Why do you long for the day of the LORD?

That day will be darkness, not light.

¹⁹ It will be as though a man fled from a lion
only to meet a bear,

as though he entered his house

and rested his hand on the wall

only to have a snake bite him.

²⁰ Will not the day of the LORD be darkness, not light –
pitch-dark, without a ray of brightness?

²¹ 'I hate, I despise your religious festivals;
your assemblies are a stench to me.

²² Even though you bring me burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them.

Though you bring choice fellowship offerings,

I will have no regard for them.

²³ Away with the noise of your songs!

I will not listen to the music of your harps.

²⁴ But let justice roll on like a river,
righteousness like a never-failing stream!

Matthew 5: 1-13

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down.

His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

He said:

³ 'Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

⁵ Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷ Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

¹³ 'You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

WHAT'S ON AND NEWS...



Contact List – last chance today to check your entry – list at back of church.

Posada Please sign up at the back of church if you would like to host the crib set for one night in Advent. See Ruth Beckett for further details or email her with dates you can do: jrmp@btinternet.com

Girls Allowed Please sign up for this Tuesday 14th November on the noticeboard in the hall. 7.30pm, Food and Friendship. £3 on the door.

Sadly someone's purse was stolen from the kitchen last Sunday – please keep your valuables safe whilst in church!

St. Matthias Men's Breakfast - Christmas Special at the English Riviera Centre on Sat Dec 9th, 8:45 for 9am start. And on this occasion we would like to make it a bit different, by extending the invitation to you all. That means you ladies! There will be a choice of the usual Full English, croissants, cereal, toast and marmalade etc @ £8.50. For those who wish to attend, but would rather not eat breakfast, copious quantities of fresh tea and coffee will be available. Our speaker will be Phil Miles, who most of you will know from St. Matthias. His talk promises to be really interesting and will definitely challenge our comfort zones. As usual, please make sure you book for this one, by calling or texting Charlie on 07917 005406, or email at c.allansen@btinternet.com

Friends' Christmas Lunch will be held on Sun 3 December at the Livermead Cliff Hotel and is open to both members and non-members. Come and see us after the morning service to reserve your place and make your menu choices.

Thurs 16 Nov @ 7.30pm at St Luke's Church, T'quay Presentation about dementia friendly worship - open to all – part of Deanery Synod meeting which starts at 7pm with Holy Communion – come to that too or just to the meeting.



Volunteers needed! Would you like to join the team who keep the church open each week day morning to welcome visitors? For more information please have a chat with Pere in the office.

New Wine and Spring Harvest 2018 Several of us have booked into week 2 of New Wine 5-11 August and there are discounted rates for early bird bookings before 3 Dec. Also Spring Harvest at Minehead 3-8th April.



Christmas Choir There will be 2 choirs this year and the rehearsals begin soon! Matt's Cats are singing 2 carols at the carol service – rehearsals on 21 Nov & 6 Dec. Also Sarah Roberts is leading a "Christmas choir" to help lead the congregation during the various Christmas services. Rehearsals on 29 Nov, 6 & 14 Dec. If you would like to join in either or both please sign the sheet at the back of church which also has rehearsal times.

For our prayers and praise this week

Sun	Remembrance Service - remember all who suffer in body or mind as a result of war. Pray for those with sad memories that our Lord will comfort them.
Mon	Pray for the Christmas Choirs as they begin rehearsing 
Tues	As the weather gets colder pray for all who sleep on the streets and pray for the Street Pastors.
Wed	Again thank God for the Young People's initiative of Christmas Shoeboxes and pray for them as they pack  the boxes. Thank God for all who contributed gifts for this project.
Thurs	Pray for leaders in our Church - the Archbishops, Our Diocesan Bishops Roger, Nick and Sarah, the Archdeacons and our own staff as they become busier with Christmas in view.
Fri	Pray for the peace of the world so divided and suspicious of each other. Pray for Members of Parliament as they deal with abusers of many kinds. Pray that they may set an example for the whole country.
Sat	Pray for all that has to be done towards the Re-ordering of the Church. May John and the PCC be really led by the Holy Spirit in their priorities.
Sun	Pray for the services today and throughout the week † may we all listen to what God may be saying to us.