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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 Church at 10.30am.*

Sunday 16 February

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Church
9.30am	Growzone	Church
10.30am	Coffee	Church
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Church
6.30 for 7	CARRYTHELOVE concert with the Circuit Riders – all welcome	Church
6.30pm	Night Shelter	Hall

During the Week

Mon	10-12pm CARRYTHELOVE Youth Evangelism Workshop	Lounge
	2-4pm CARRYTHELOVE Youth Seminar	Church
Tues	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits	Lounge
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>	Church
	7.30pm Matt's Cats	Church
Thurs	10.30-11.30am Prayer Meeting	Chapel

Sunday 23 February

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Church
9.30am	Prayzone	Church
10.30am	Coffee	Church
11am	Morning Worship	Church
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting	Church
6.30pm	Night Shelter	Hall

Fairtrade stand (small) all morning in the Café area

Collect

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Thanks go to...

those involved in
youth work
especially at St
Matts 😊

Readings

Romans 8: 18-25

¹⁸ I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Matthew 6: 25-34

²⁵ 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸ 'And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

For our prayers and praise this week

Sun	Pray for Growzone. Pray for the concert tonight, mainly for young people, called "CARRYTHELOVE". Pray for tonight's Night Shelter.
Mon	Pray for anyone working with young people.
Tues	Pray for all affected by the Coronavirus. Pray that people won't panic but will seek the right help, and pray the right medication will be available.
Wed	Our world has many problems, many natural causes and many man made. Ask God for a greater sense of peace and harmony.
Thurs	The Church needs a 'children, youth and family worker'. Pray the PCC will be led to the right person and that we will find the money to pay them.

Fri	Remember the ministry of all the churches in Torbay, and pray for greater unity in them. Pray too for harmony in our church.
Sat	The Staff Team do much that we do not see or hear about including offering ministry on a one to one basis as well as with families and groups. Pray for wisdom for them.
Sun	Pray for our services today, for harmony, love and friendliness. Pray for those still finding the new ways difficult. <i>“Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of his glory and grace.”</i>

What's on and News

Help needed

Christian Aid Lent Lunches John and Sheila Hart have stepped down after about 30 years from providing the opportunity for people to come together once a week during Lent to share a simple meal in aid of Christian Aid. What an amazing service they have offered, along with very many other helpers. We would like to thank them all. Is there someone who would like to take over this year beginning on Wednesday 26 February (Ash Wednesday). Lunches are usually held in the Hall from 12-1.30pm every Wednesday during Lent. Please see Pere if so.

Warm Clothing for ladies and men requested for the Night Shelter – secondhand lovely but underwear new please. Please put in pull out drawers at the back of church on the linkway side. Thank you.

Coffee Makers – can you help?



We've started serving coffee in the church at 10.30am (rather than the hall) and we urgently need more helpers to join the team. We also thank those who have been on the rota for many years and are looking to step down – we need others to fill their shoes please ☺ Please see Pere or Sylvia. Thank you.

10 March Lent Courses begin

*Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm
10, 17, 24, 31 March*

'Flourishing'

A series of talks led by Andrew Green on being what God wants us to be

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*Wednesday mornings at 10.15am  
11, 18, 25 March & 1 April*

#### **'Great Bible Stories'**

*A reading of some of the great bible stories*

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And in Holy Week there will be a reading of the whole of St Mark's Gospel (Tues eve & Wed morn)

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*Recommended book to go with the Lent Talks is 'The me I want to be' by John Ortberg*

## **Dates and what's on**

**Tuesday 25 February** Girls Allowed are hosting a Pudding Evening for **ALL** - blokes welcome! We'd love you to join us in Church to eat puddings and enjoy a fun picture quiz to celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight & Shrove Tuesday. **Please sign up** in the hall or by emailing Ruth - [jrmp@btinternet.com](mailto:jrmp@btinternet.com) - £3 donation on the door or **donate a PUD**.

**8 March** **This will be the last Sunday for the Yates family** before they move to Brixham. There will be a church family lunch that day to say farewell. To give to a collection for them please contact the office or place in the collection in an envelope marked 'Yates'.

**Thursday 26 March** Licensing of Stephen Yates will be at 7pm in Brixham.

**25 April Music Workshop** for all who love singing with Geraldine Latty and Carey Luce – all day singing plus evening concert – contact Anya for details: [jones\\_anya@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jones_anya@yahoo.co.uk)



### **CARRYTHELOVE**

We are excited to be hosting the Circuit Riders on their 2020 CARRYTHELOVE European Tour.

Come and hear their music and their message at St Matthias Church:

**Sunday 16 February** 6.30 for 7pm

Tickets are free and available at EVENTBRITE: [tinyurl.com/wnsvxaz](https://www.eventbrite.com/wnsvxaz)

**Monday 17 February** 10am-12pm Session at St Matts (Lounge) for anyone working with young people or interested in doing so.

## **Messages**

**Car Park** The disabled car parking spaces on the north side of the church have now been marked and are ready to be used. (Not for general use please.)

**Children, youth and family worker?** 😊

Today we launch an appeal to raise money to replace Victoria's part time role with a full time one. Please see posters and leaflets to see how you can help.

**Keeping the church open for visitors** – we need 4 more volunteers!

Thanks to our existing team and to the people who have already expressed an interest in joining. Please speak to Pere if you would like to help to keep the church open at lunchtimes 12-2pm, Monday to Friday. Thank you.

**Co-op Craft Stall** – at the Launch event in December someone asked for a dog bracelet to be made – it is ready! Please could they drop into the Co-op to collect.

### **Contacting the Church**

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**Children & Youth Worker:** currently vacant

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