



18 April 2021

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**Collect**

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life  
and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

## Welcome

### Services online

available on the church YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ>

It may be simpler to find all the services by looking at the different **PLAYLISTS**  
on St Matthias YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ/playlists>

or via the church website - follow links from 'online services and worship resources' on home page

**Sun 18 April**

**9.30am Growzone** *online*

**10.30am Coffee** *on zoom*

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78179904975?pwd=TGJzcDBpQU8rR2NEcnhsQmxlVzkyQT09>

Meeting ID: 781 7990 4975    Passcode: Jo3v16

**11am Holy Communion** *in church and live streamed – please phone to book a place on 311488*

**Readings: Acts 3: 12-19, Luke 24: 36b-48**

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+3%3A+12-19&version=NIVUK>

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+24%3A+36b-48&version=NIVUK>

### Next Week

**Tues 20 April** 9.30-11am Toddlers on Stoodley Green! *See note below*

**Wed 21 April** 10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer

<b>Sun 25 April</b>	<b>9.30am Prayzone on zoom</b>
	<b>10.30am Coffee on zoom</b> <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78179904975?pwd=TGJzcDBpQU8rR2NEcnhsQmxIVzkyQT09">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78179904975?pwd=TGJzcDBpQU8rR2NEcnhsQmxIVzkyQT09</a> Meeting ID: 781 7990 4975    Passcode: Jo3v16
	<b>11am Morning Worship in church and livestreamed – please phone to book a place on 311488</b>
	<b>5.30pm Prayer Meeting on zoom</b> Mission Torbay event – see notice below <a href="https://zoom.us/j/92861836329?pwd=b0tPenNzcm9kZm5vdE1sbUJqL3FrZz09">https://zoom.us/j/92861836329?pwd=b0tPenNzcm9kZm5vdE1sbUJqL3FrZz09</a> Meeting ID: 928 6183 6329 Passcode: PRAY

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 5.30pm on zoom**

Churches across the Bay are still planning for a Mission this September. Please join us as we begin to consider which events to hold at St. Matt's, and with our neighbours, and to pray!

Link for latest update:

[mission-update-april-2021-2-46243033069.pdf](https://mission-update-april-2021-2-46243033069.pdf)  
[\(d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net\)](https://d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net)



**Two Projects, One Vision** The advert has gone in!

You can view on St.Matt's website or FB page

[www.st-matthias-church.org/children-youth/children-youth-and-family-worker/](http://www.st-matthias-church.org/children-youth/children-youth-and-family-worker/)

**Please pray that we will find the right person for this important role.** We are still short of fully funding this post, so if you have not previously seen it, there is a letter you can read and more information on the church website, including a donation form and ways to contact Tony, the Treasurer at <https://www.st-matthias-church.org/information/wellspringscyp-appeal/>

**Prayer**

We would be glad to pray with you over the phone. Please phone our usual Office number 01803 214175. You are more likely to be able to speak to someone quickly Monday to Friday in office hours, but even at weekends, the messages are checked at least twice a day so someone will return your call.

**Private Prayer on a Wednesday 10.30-11.30am** The church is open again for anyone who wishes to come for some quiet time to reflect and pray and to light a candle.

**Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers**

**Sunday.** Pray that the Lord's name may be honoured in our services today. Pray for the deepening of faith in all who attend or watch on line.

**Monday.** Now that lockdown has been eased for a week let us continue to pray that there will be no resurgence of the pandemic.

**Tuesday.** Let us pray that the vaccination programme will continue to be carried out efficiently and without side-effects.

**Wednesday.** Let us pray for the Royal Family as they continue to mourn the loss of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

**Thursday.** Let us pray for good judgement and efficiency in the corridors of power.

**Friday.** Let us pray for judges, juries, lawyers and court personnel as they deal with the enormous backlog of cases.

**Saturday.** Let us pray for all the employees of the National Health Service and all those employed in care homes as they continue with their heavy tasks.

**Sunday.** As traffic increases let us pray for the safety of all on the roads.

## *News and dates for the diary*

**STEWADING / WELCOMING AT 11am SERVICES:** As we start the 11am services back in church we need more helpers to join our very small band of stewards/welcomers on a once a month rota. If you feel able to offer please could you email Sylvia ([sylvia@ab-consulting.org](mailto:sylvia@ab-consulting.org)) or the office so we can chat through which week would be convenient.

**Open House Toddler Group is back!** We will be meeting on Tuesday 20th April from 9.30 - 11am on Stoodley Green (the coffee shop end). To comply with current Covid guidelines we are only allowed to have 15 adults and we have 4 places left.

If you would like to book, please phone Judi on 01803 211947 to leave an answerphone message (including your phone no.) and she will call you back.

**Nicci Maxwell in Uganda** Please click on the link below for her latest news.

[Update from Uganda – October 2016 \(d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net\)](https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net)

**Torquay Community Larder** would welcome donations of the following: Tinned Peas, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Custard, Squash, Jam, Sugar, Breakfast Cereal, Toilet Rolls. They have enough pasta and sanitary items and toiletries. Please contact Linda Townsend on 07790 640372 to make arrangements for collection.

**TOWNS Project** - cooking for the project has been serviced all winter from a Paignton church and delivered to St Mary Mags every Friday from 5.30pm. Production of the food and sandwiches has now been moved to Upton Vale and Towns are looking for more volunteer cooks to work on Fridays probably about once a month from 12-5pm. All cooks will be supported and will work as a team. Is there anyone out there who fancies giving this a go! Susie Higgins has been helping so if you have any queries do contact Susie on 07900 362055 or contact Tony Watkins who runs the project. Thank you!

[ajpwatkins1@gmail.com](mailto:ajpwatkins1@gmail.com)

**Thanks go to:  
Hairdressers!**



**Painter required!** Pete and Rachel and family (our new curate and family) are soon to be moving into the area and are in the process of getting their house in Redgate Close ready. Could anyone help and give a hand with some painting (inside) over the next couple of weeks? **If you could help please ring Pere in the office on 214175. Thank you ☺**

**Annual Church Meeting** – The next Annual Church Meeting takes place in the church on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 4.00 pm. Its purpose is to receive the Annual Report and the Financial Report for 2020 and to elect Churchwardens and PCC members. All are welcome to attend. If you wish to vote though you need to be on the Church Electoral Roll. If you aren't on the electoral roll but live in the parish and attend (in person or online) and are over 16 you are entitled to apply. If you live outside the parish you need to have been 'attending' online or in person for at least 6 months. If St Matthias is **your church** you are

encouraged to be on the electoral roll. Application forms are available to download at [electoral-roll-application-form-2021.pdf \(d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net\)](https://electoral-roll-application-form-2021.pdf) or at the back of the church and in the office; completed forms should be returned to the office. **David Wilkinson, PCC Secretary; Penny Whitaker, Electoral Roll Officer.**

**We have recently** received a message that a member of the congregation from some years ago sadly died last week. The family has asked if we could let people know by way of these notices. Her name is Barbara Conduit and the family think that some current members may remember her.



**Messy Church.....** ran on Saturday and Sunday last weekend in the Forest School and car park. Worship sessions and crafts galore told the story of the Parable of the Sower, with a strong spring theme! The crafts ranged from planting a sunflower seed, pine cone bird feeders, scarecrow plates, 'grow with God' prayers and many more! An added bonus was to welcome 4 new families along. An amazing time was had by all

whatever their age! Huge thanks to Andrea, Elaine, Judi, Diane, Dave and Val, and John for all their support. Lena



**Starting Blocks For Family Life**

**NEW FREE ANTENATAL COURSE IN TORQUAY**  
Starting 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dates (all Tuesdays): 27<sup>th</sup> April  
4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> May  
1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> June  
Time: 7 - 8.30pm

Due to Covid this course will be delivered on Zoom.

**Book your free course NOW**  
Find us on facebook or [www.beginwell.org.uk](http://www.beginwell.org.uk)

Begin Well is a charity founded by a health visitor and a consultant obstetrician, based on NHS guidelines to help prepare for the arrival of a new baby.

Run by: St Matthias Church, Babbacombe Road, Wellswood, TQ1 1HW  
Contact Lena Fearnley- 01803 295268

**To contact the Church:**

Although the building is closed you can still contact the church as follows:

**Office:** 01803 214175  
[admin@st-matthias-church.org](mailto:admin@st-matthias-church.org)

**Rector:** John Beckett  
01803 293119

**Asst Minister:** Paul Barton  
07807 636470



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