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Sun 20 July	8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)	
	9.30am Explore Together	
	10.30am Gather to Pray	
	11am Holy Communion <i>followed by tea/coffee</i> tinyurl.com/yvn53upf <i>Please note that as this service is videoed you may be seen on screen. If you do not wish to be filmed please let a member of the Welcome Team know.</i>	
Mon 21 July	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom – details below	
Tues 22 July	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom – details below	
	7.30pm Folk Choir <i>concert with Wren Music & St Matt's Gospel Singers</i>	
Wed 23 July	9am Holy Communion	
	7.15pm St. Matt's Gospel Singers	
Sat 26 July	3pm Cream Tea in the Hall – <i>in aid of the G2GG campaign</i>	
Sun 27 July	8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)	
	9.30am Explore Together	
	10.30am Gather to Pray	
	11am Morning Worship <i>followed by tea/coffee</i>	
	5.30pm 'Praise and puddings!'	

For Morning Prayer online,
we use the Church of England 'Daily Prayer' app and this zoom link:

tinyurl.com/2t56wex5

You are welcome to
join us! Or follow here:



Collect Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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Thanks go to:



Welcome Space
team now having
a summer break

Readings

1 Corinthians 12: 12-27

¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptised by one Spirit so as to form one body – whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free – and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ And so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,' it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I don't need you!' And the head cannot say to the feet, 'I don't need you!' ²² On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and the parts that we think are less honourable we treat with special honour. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, ²⁴ while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honour to the parts that lacked it, ²⁵ so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

Matthew 25: 31-46

³¹ 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴ 'Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was ill and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

³⁷ 'Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you ill or in prison and go to visit you?"

⁴⁰ 'The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

⁴¹ 'Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was ill and in prison and you did not look after me."

⁴⁴ 'They also will answer, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or ill or in prison, and did not help you?"

⁴⁵ 'He will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me."

⁴⁶ 'Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.'

Dates for the diary

Sunday lunch at the Babbacombe Inn on **Sunday 27th July** at 1.30pm. For further information or to book a place, please contact Gill Buick 07709727714.

Sunday 27th July - Praise & Puddings @ 5:30! Our 5:30 service on 27th July is going to be a bit different...there will be lots of songs and a chance to enjoy good fellowship together and there will be puddings! All are very welcome to come and do bring a pudding to share as well, if you can.



New Wine Festival - 30 July - 4 August at the Bath & West Show Ground.

A six-day gathering of Christians from all around the UK and beyond – with worship, inspiring talks and seminars, and also spaces for kids, teenagers and young adults. [New Wine Festival](#)



News

Latest newsletter from Nicci Maxwell – can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/3re2kef6>

Open the Book - As part of our ongoing mission to share the good news of Jesus with the community, a small team of people deliver Collective Worship services at Warberry and Ilsham Academies. This week Helen will be telling the story of The Good Samaritan. On Wednesday Helen will also be at Warberry Academy, leading a session for the year 6 pupils who are transitioning to year 7 in September. *Helen*

Summer Breaks Welcome Space, Toddlers, Youth Club, Mummy & Me and St Matt's Knits are now on holiday and back in September.

Volunteers for church groups Could anyone help on a rota basis with either of two of the weekly groups running in the church? **Toddlers** is on Tuesday mornings (general help) and **Mummy & Me** meets on Friday mornings (help with refreshments). Both are important mission fields' for us, where we are representing Jesus. Please contact the office for more information. Thank you 😊 (Both are term time only.)

Prayers for this week

Prayer bookmarks available from the welcome desk today

Mon – Pray for teachers and school pupils coming to the end of term that they may find joy and new energy during the summer holidays.

Tuesday – Pray for visitors and tourists to Torquay, that they may be touched by the beauty of God's creation to find rest and refreshment.

Wed - Pray for parents who struggle to provide food and entertainment for their children during the holidays and those who help as child minders including grandparents.

Thursday – Pray for those working in hotels and hospitality in Torbay, to be valued and treated with respect. Pray they will serve others as they would want to be served themselves.

Fri – Pray for Mummy and Me and the Youth services in the church. Pray for children left to their own devices during school holidays and pray for all those who go hungry.

Sat – **Pray for the process of getting a new vicar and that the right person will be made clear.** Pray also for those stepping in and doing more in the interim.

Sun – pray that you can rest in the Lord and be refreshed. Pray for all those who have to work today. What did Jesus mean when he said that the Sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath?

GIVE TO GO GREEN

Give to Go Green Match Funding Campaign

Good News!

Thank you all for your continued support for the **G2GG** Church Centre reroofing project. It's good to see work going ahead on the roof itself, and the solar panels and battery with associated lighting changes will follow soon. They are all helping to reduce our carbon footprint and to keep down the church's energy bills. All underwritten by your generous giving and support. Thank you! As you may know we have reached our original target - but the fundraising continues until the 29th July.

Sparkly Party Saturday 19th July from 10.30 to 12.30 Family Day Party in the Church Hall with Glitter arts and crafts, music, games and cakes Tickets £2 adults, £8 children (up to 2 years old free). Details from Patrycja Oledzka' (p.oledzka@gmail.com)

The Local Quiz How well do you know your Torbay? Come along to a quiz and test your knowledge. 10 sets of 6 questions about our local area. In the church on **19th July at 7:30 pm**. A sociable occasion with a licensed bar. £5 per person. Come as a team of 6 or come and join a team on the day. For more details see David Hodson

Tuesday 22nd July Torbay Folk Choir Concert at 7.30 pm with Wren Music and St Matt's Gospel Choir in the Church. Licensed bar. Tickets £10 – contact Elaine Biden for more details.

Saturday 26th July Family Cream Tea Party from 3pm - contact Christine Tibbetts. Throughout - take up the challenge of the **Torquay Treasure Hunt** – speak to Helen Baker. Come and find out more at the Events Table at the back of church.