

St George's Church
Holcombe

May 2017

"Turret Times"

In the HOLiDAY COaST Mission Community in the Anglican Diocese of Exeter

Tuesday at Ten – Pause for Prayer



Services, Events and Diary dates for May 2017

The sermons/talks on the four Sundays will emphasise aspects of prayer
Listening, Belonging, Caring, Interceding. What do these mean? Come and hear!

Sunday 7th, Easter 4: 9.30 - First Sunday Service (Holy Communion)

Monday 8th: - Holcombe Lunch, booking essential

Tuesday 9th: 9.40 - Quiet Prayer. **10.00 - Pause for Prayer.** 10.30 - Holy Communion (BCP)
2.00 - Bible Study at 5 Cedar Close

Wednesday 10th: 4.00 - Messy Church

Sunday 14th, Easter 5: 9.30 - Sung Holy Communion – **Christian Aid Week**

4.00 - Christian Aid Service – Strand Centre, Dawlish: "Tea Service"

Tuesday 16th: 9.40 - Quiet Prayer. **10.00 - Pause for Prayer.** 10.30 - Holy Communion with prayers
2.00 - Bible Study at 5 Cedar Close

7.00 - Eat & Enlightenment at The Castle, booking essential



Sat 20th: 10-2 – Christian Aid Bazaar at the Strand Centre, Dawlish. Support our Stall which will be selling Greetings Cards. Chris will need help – please see her to volunteer for an hour – or more!!



Sunday 21st, Rogation

"The Wonderful World"

9.30 - @ Holcombe Village Hall + walks, 9.30 at bottom of Smugglers Lane or from the Hall.

10.15 Service/Songs of Praise; Refreshments from 9.30. See publicity. Invite friends & neighbours.

Also this is the



CUT OFF DATE FOR DELIVERY FOR SAMARA'S AID – SEE LEAFLETS

Tuesday 23rd: 9.40 - Quiet Prayer. **10.00 - Pause for Prayer.** 10.30 - Holy Communion
2.00 - Bible Study at 5 Cedar Close

Thursday 25th: Ascension Day

7.00 pm

St Paul's Starcross

Mission Community Service – Holy Communion

Between Ascension Day and Pentecost, the whole Church will be praying for



a prayer campaign led by the Archbishops. Watch the video by Bishop Robert (on the Diocesan website) to see what we are doing in this diocese to grow in prayer; how we can come together during these nine days to pray that more people may experience God's love.

Please look out for the leaflet which will detail what we are doing in our HOLiDAY COaST churches. There will be a walk round display on the Lord's Prayer in St George's. Please support this.

Sunday 28th

8.00

Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday after

9.30

Sung Holy Communion

Ascension

6.30

Prayer Service at St Greg's for the Mission Community

Please see the "Thy Kingdom Come" leaflet with details of the services this week.

Saturday 4th June

3.00

Afternoon Tea Service in Joan Copp Room

Sunday 5th June

9.30

Pentecost Holy Communion

Day of Pentecost

6.30

Thy Kingdom Come Beacon Prayer Event

Exeter Cathedral. The Bishops' vision is for every church/mission community to be represented as we gather for an amazing worship and 'house of prayer' event.

June sees the launch of the new [Mission Community Magazine](#). Those who subscribed to the former parish magazine for this year will automatically get a copy. Please do support this. Items for the June edition should go to Sabrina Andrews sabrinalandrews@outlook.com or via the Parish Office, 864322, by 18th May, [Dementia Matters](#) – at the back of each of our four churches is a folder, the contents of which have been supplied by Margaret Noel, Reader based at St Gregory's. Please do take time to look at it to see if anything in it would be useful. [Follow up Dementia Matters event – Wednesday 21st June 2.30-4.30, St Mary's Hall, Dawlish Warren](#) – a “drop in” event with tea and cake to listen to those affected by Dementia and to see how the 4 churches can best offer support.

[Force Cancer Support Centre](#) It is not always known that this Centre is available to all affected by cancer, including immediate family, not just those treated at the RDE. Those who have made use of what is offered, and that includes me, Chris, have greatly benefitted. There are leaflets available in the big blue folder at the back of church. Please take one if appropriate. There is specialist cancer advice and support, counselling, alternative therapies such as massage, an art class, physio, support for young people etc etc. And a comfy lounge and pretty garden whilst enjoying a tea or coffee.

[HAP – the building project - We now officially have the faculty!](#) Hooray and Hallelujah! Within the next few weeks, the steering group and the church council will be considering builders' quotes and starting the grant application process. Please do pray for this. If you haven't taken one of the small laminated prayer cards, please do so, there are some in the pews. If you can't see any, please see me, Chris.

St George's 2017 - As we prepare to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the building that is St George's, Holcombe, we pray that we may be worthy stewards of our inheritance. May we be a building fit for purpose in the 21st century and accessible to all. In the name of Him who is the Way, and the sure foundation for our lives, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

[More Advance Dates;](#) Ladies' Lunches – Thursdays 15th June and 13th July. None in August.
Messa Fiesta in the Cathedral – Saturday 10th June – please see Chris or Fran Ashfield
Open House and Garden at Chris and Cliff's – Sat 8th July, 2.30 -5 pm
Sunday 30th July, 10.30, St Mary's Hall, Joint Service for the Holiday Coast Churches.
(that means we all go there and there will be no service in St George's!)



Again, please see details on separate publicity. Samara herself was in Syria at the end of April, going out with the distributors and finding some living in desperate conditions. On 3rd May she wrote: I visited this little girl and a number of other families living in this informal settlement in Syria 10 days ago. They fled from

Aleppo four years ago and every child was filthy, their clothes had holes in and not been washed for a long time. Many of the shoes and flip flops they were wearing were broken. I can't easily explain their excitement over the bags of food and hygiene items that we took them. I was amazed by how much it meant to them. We also want to take clothes and shoes to these families too. There are too many families living like this with no support at all from other NGO's. They eat food scavenged from bins.



Please do donate and ask friends and neighbours. If you need more leaflets, please ask. If you can, please ask the supermarkets for banana boxes with lids. There are some letters on the coffee table aimed at shop managers to explain the project. The one thing that they always get asked for is [underwear](#), ladies and gents as well as children's. When we remember that many fled or were bombed out with only what they were wearing it doesn't take much imagination to understand the request. Underwear must be new, in original packaging or with tags attached.

Remember that as well as being very practical, what we send is a gift of love to those who think they are forgotten, so only good quality that warrants being sent on such a long journey. And please sign up for the baby care pack, 3- 6 months. Items are needed by 21st May at the latest, but the sooner the better.

And don't forget that knitted items are very welcome, as are 6" squares which we can sew together for a blanket. This is an ongoing appeal.

