



Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.

Please do join us for refreshments at 10.30am today.

Today	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Prayzone <i>in the Hall</i>
10.30am	<i>Coffee in the Hall</i>
11am	Morning Worship
5.30pm	Church Family Prayer Meeting – <i>all welcome</i>
During the Week	
Mon	<i>Bank Holiday – church and centre closed</i>
Tues	9am Morning Prayer <i>in church</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
	1.30pm Funeral of Margaret Povey
2 September	
(Readings: Luke 10: 25-37 & 2 Corinthians 1: 1-7)	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Breakfastzone <i>in the Hall</i>
10.30am	<i>Coffee in the Hall</i>
11am	Holy Communion (CW)
5.30pm	Talk: 'Helping to create dementia friendly communities' <i>in the Hall</i>



Collect

Almighty God,
 you search us and know us:
 may we rely on you in strength
 and rest on you in weakness,
 now and in all our days;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Alpha

The Alpha course will be running again this autumn from Tues 25 Sept. For more info please see one of the Clergy or Readers or contact the office.



Readings

Ephesians 6: 10-20

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled round your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

John 14: 1-14

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.² My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going.' ⁵ Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

⁶ Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.'

⁸ Philip said, 'Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.'

⁹ Jesus answered: 'Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.'

For our prayers and praise this week

Sun	Pray for those leading Prayzone and Morning Worship and the afternoon prayer meeting. Praying that we may all be drawn closer to Jesus.
Mon	Pray that Nicci Maxwell, now in South Africa with her family, will get her work permit to go and work at Kisoro in Uganda.
Tues	Please remember before God all who are ill, in pain, in hospital or housebound, that they will know God is with them.
Wed	Pray for all the Staff Team and all who help the ministry of the church however small that might be.
Thurs	Pray for all who suffer in any way through natural as well as humanly incited disasters. Pray too, for all Aid agencies trying to bring aid to them.
Fri	Praise God that children are now, after some instruction, allowed to share fellowship at the Lord's Table. Pray too for those who help by administering the chalice (wine).
Sat	Pray for Justin Welby our Archbishop and other Bishops who are under many pressures from events in the past and their attitude to them.
Sun	Pray for the services today, but especially at 5.30 when Maureen Chivers will talk about "Helping to Create Dementia Friendly Communities". Pray for anyone you know in or out of the Church community that they may feel respected and loved.

What's on and notices

- Christian songwriter and musician **Michael Card** is in concert at Christ Church Paignton on **Friday 14th September 7.30pm**. His style is quite gentle and would appeal to all age groups. Tickets £12.50 in advance, £15.00 on the door
Contact: johnpout@icloud.com
- **Advance Notice:** Sat 24 November. Church outing to Cardiff by coach 8.30am to 8.30pm approx. Marilyn Smee, Diane Francis or Alan Taylor will be available to take names from Sunday 16 Sept at 10.30 in the Hall. Cost £18 adults, £9 children.
- **Room bookings** – we are very happy for the church family to use rooms in the centre for church meetings etc - *please* book in advance with Pere ☺ in the office so that the calendar can be kept up to date and so that cleaning and the alarming of the building can be properly scheduled in.
- *Friends will be holding their annual **Blackberry & Apple Fayre** on Saturday **15th September 10.30am- 2.30pm** and would like all who can to come along and support this. They would be grateful for any donated goods. Please see leaflets at back of Church for details and for the Fun Photo Competition.* 
- **Men's Breakfast** Sat 8 Sept @ 9am at Kent's Café – contact Charlie to book c.allansen@btinternet.com or 07917 005406

- **There's more garden!** You may have noticed that the overgrown trees and shrubs have been cut back in the church garden by the car park. There's more work to be done to make the most of this space, to replant and to make a prayer garden. If you'd like to help with this project please contact John Beckett or Paul Stannard.
- **Family Noticeboard** in the Hall – remember to have a look to see what's coming up or for any family notices.
- **Friends of St Matthias – Dream Auction VI** – The Friends cordially invite you to a Prosecco and canapes Reception at the The Imperial Hotel from 6.30pm on Sat 6 Oct followed by the auction itself with 100 Lots on offer. Further details to follow.



Re-ordering – Next Steps

Now that we have the green light from the Chancellor (and from Torbay Council for the outside work), the Architect has begun more detailed work to be able to invite tenders for the project. This is a significant part of the work, and will take several months and cost nearly £50,000!

In the meantime, we want to send off applications to grant making trusts and to prepare for a fresh appeal for the remaining £250,000 we are still likely to need (in addition to the fantastic £230,000 already given or pledged).

If you have experience in this type of work, we'd love to hear from you.

"Paraclesis" - What's that?!

It's the title of the next teaching series we are having at St Matts for September and October based upon course material published by CWR. **'Paraclesis'** is the Greek New Testament word for **'coming alongside'**. It's used to describe the way we offer comfort and love and help to one another in the church, following the example of the Holy Spirit, or *'paraclete'* who comes alongside us.

Good news: we are now able to welcome children to the Lord's Table at St Matthias'... but only after a short 'training session' for children and parents. If you missed the session we ran in June we are holding a second one on Sunday 9 Sept at 3.30pm. Please let Victoria Yates or one of the clergy know if you would like to come or to find out more: stmattscandy@gmail.com

ALL WELCOME

Sunday 2 Sept @ 5.30-6.30pm
'Helping to Create Dementia Friendly Communities' Come along to hear Maureen Chivers talk about how dementia can affect a person and what you can do to make a difference in your family and day to day acquaintances.

Fun filled family days! Picnics, games, crafts... **Ellacombe Beach Day! Beacon Cove 11-2pm Wed 22 August **Fun at Brewery Park Sat 1st Sept 11-2pm. For more info see posters or contact Captain Ade on 07930 909941