



**Sunday 24 May 2015
Pentecost**

Welcome!

*We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.
Please do join us for refreshments in the hall after the 10.30am service.*

Sunday Services Today	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Morning Worship in the church
10.30am	Prayzone in the hall
12.30pm	Friends of St Matthias AGM – the Lounge
2.30pm	Wedding of Dee and Rick
3pm	CTT Pentecost Praise on Babbacombe Downs
This Week	
Wed	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge
Fri	7.30pm St Matt’s Catts in the Lounge
Next Sunday 31 May	
8am	Morning Prayer
10.30am	Family Holy Communion (CW) with prayers for healing with Jeff Hill from the Church Army

Collect for Today
 Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
 ignite in us your holy fire;
 strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
 revive your Church with the breath of love,
 and renew the face of the earth,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

What's On

Church Family Contacts List The list will be available today and for the next few weeks for updating – please check your name and details from the list in the Hall over coffee – see instructions on page 6 of this noticesheet.

St Matthias Youth Bank Once again a massive thank you for all your support for the young people in the search for their Junior Masterchef 2015. A further £72.01 was raised from the sale of home-made biscuits last week. Today is the finale and the challenge is 'free-style'. Their creations will be available for sale over coffee today. The overall winner will be announced on a future date.

Today! Pentecost Praise Christians Together in Torquay (CTT) open air event on 24 May at 3pm on Babbacombe Downs.

PAT testing 26 May at 12pm We will be testing all electrical appliances. This includes items you may regularly bring in to church eg laptops, projectors, sound equipment etc. Please bring in and leave in the church office.

30 May at 7pm There is a great opportunity to hear Brother Yun, author of 'The Heavenly Man' speak at Belmont Chapel, Exeter. There is no charge and no need to book. Hosted by Flame International.

31 May 6.30-8.30pm An evening of thanksgiving and celebration for the work of the Leonard Stocks Centre at Upton Vale Baptist Church.

Social Core events for the whole church family - dates for the diary:

Sunday 14 June - Picnic at Cockington

Please join us on the green at Cockington for a picnic/get together after the morning service – weather permitting! It's the day of the classic motor bike show so there will be a food stall. Anyone needing a lift to Cockington please ask any member of the Social Core group.

Sun 12 July	Open air morning service on Ilsham Green
Sun 11 Oct	Harvest Lunch
Sat 21 Nov	Coach trip to Cardiff

Mr Leslie Kendrew Les Kendrew has recently passed away. Please remember the family in your prayers. The funeral will take place on 2 June at 2pm.

Mrs Barbara Sutton-Ivey It is with sadness that we report that Barbara Sutton-Ivey has recently passed away. Please remember the family in your prayers. The funeral will take place on 11 June at 2pm.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer Following on from the talk on 21 May, there will be a showing of the film *Bonhoeffer - Pastor, Pacifist, Nazi Resister* on 4 June at 7.30pm in the Hall. Please contact Ian Lane on 01803 607345 for more info.

Inspired by the Music Weekend? Wanting to start to join in with the singing or to play an instrument to lead our worship, then read on...We're reviewing the next steps in music and worship for us as a church on 3 June (so please speak to John Beckett if you'd like to contribute to that or be kept in touch with developments) and there is definite energy for starting a form of 'Gospel Choir'. But in the meantime if you have always felt that you cannot sing but love singing, then Barry Dunnage has offered to run a few coaching sessions especially for you.....**St Matts Catts** Starting with a session on Friday 29 May at 7.30pm in the lounge, Barry will take up the challenge of trying to get any 'non singers' to sound half decent and form a Cats Chorus. The emphasis will be on gospel music and fun. There will be another session in June. Everyone welcome but be warned that this is aimed at those who are 'tone deaf' so it could be painful for those who are not. If Barry succeeds, we may even be ready for a choir but he has given no guarantee of success! Bring your own alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverage and glass.

20 June 12-5pm A Christian Praise Festival including worship leader Lou Fellingham and key speaker Simon Guillebaud, to be held at Torquay United Football Club. For more info, contact Revd Jim Davies on 07787 842002 or see leaflets in church.

Confirmation Bishop Robert is taking a Confirmation Service here on 28 June at 10.30am. If you are wondering about getting confirmed yourself, please speak to one of the clergy as soon as possible.

Rough Sleepers Project We've been asked to consider being one of the churches in Torquay to host rough sleepers for one day a week in February 2016. If you feel God may be calling you to help staff this sort of project, please speak to John Beckett, Sylvia Barratt or Phil Miles.

Readings

Acts 2

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. ⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.” ¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls

on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

John 7

³⁷ On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.”

³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

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Today	“Come down o love divine, and fill this soul of mine.” Praise God for His Holy Spirit who guards us, guides us and points us to Jesus. Pray for the Pentecost Praise for all the churches of the Deanery.
Mon	This week we have been asked to pray for all who suffer from dementia, for all carers, and for families who care for their relatives. Pray for love and compassion. Pray for all who are ill, disabled, the elderly and housebound, those who cannot get to church. We pray for the family and friends of all who have died and especially those who are waiting for their funerals.
Tues	Pray for Cecil in his new job at Fort Portal in Uganda. Pray that he will be used by God in a great way. Pray for Amy and David Roche and their children, our CMS linked mission partners in Lebanon. Pray for their work and family life and for another car as their present one is giving them a lot of trouble!
Wed	Pray for Kevin Foster, our new MP, especially as he attends the Queen’s official opening of Parliament today. Pray that he may be a real witness in his work.
Thurs	Pray for all the staff in our church and all who minister here remembering especially our Rector, John. Please pray for the office staff and those who volunteer.
Fri	Pray for the Leonard Stocks Centre and for the service of thanksgiving and celebration on Sunday 31 May. Pray too for the work of Anode and Rowcroft Hospice.
Sat	Pray for all on holiday that they may be refreshed and kept safe. We pray for visitors to our town and church – may they feel welcomed.
Sun	Thank God for the Trinity – God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit who we worship and adore. May we understand this fact more and more.

CHURCH FAMILY CONTACTS LIST

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION

Please check your details on the lists in the hall and tick/amend as required:

1. Are your current details as listed correct? If so, please tick **column A**.
2. If not correct, please amend - either amending the details already there, if only small changes required, or writing them out in the blank spaces provided on each form.
3. We plan to publish details in a printed booklet as we have done before. Please tick in **column B** if you are happy for this to be done. This booklet and the information contained in it would be available to all church family members on request.
4. We also plan to publish details on the 'secure members' page of the new website once this facility is available. Please tick in **column C** if you are happy for this to be done. The information listed there would be name and email address only.
5. **Column D**. If you would prefer that your details will only be used by the clergy, pastoral visitors and other staff members and not given to the wider church family, please tick here. They will not be published in the booklet and will not appear on the website.
6. **Delete** – if you do not want your details to be kept on the church database at all, please put a line through your details and they will be removed completely. Please note that we are assuming that no-one in the church family will want to delete their details completely as this would mean that clergy and the pastoral team would not be able to get in touch with you. If you are happy for the staff to have your details, then please do not delete them but tick column D marked 'private'.

NB Do *not* tick *all* columns – you cannot say yes to both column B and column D!



Creche, Toilets, Baby Changing Facilities

At 10.30 communion services there is a staffed crèche in the Lounge downstairs, but if you wish to stay in the service, toys are available at the back of the church. Baby changing facilities are available in both toilets on the lower ground floor. There is a disabled access toilet at this level on your left as you exit church.

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