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<b>Sun 29 June</b>	<b>8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)</b>
	<b>9.30am Explore Together</b>
	<b>10.30am Gather to Pray</b>
	<b>11.00am Holy Communion with prayers for healing</b> <i>followed by tea/coffee</i> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/@stmatthiaschurchtorquay6827/streams">www.youtube.com/@stmatthiaschurchtorquay6827/streams</a> <i>Please note that as this service is videoed you may be seen on screen.</i> <i>If you do not wish to be filmed please let a member of the welcome team know.</i>
<b>Mon 30 June</b>	<b>9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom – details below</b>
<b>Tues 1 July</b>	<b>9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom – details below</b>
	<b>9-11.30am Toddlers</b>
	<b>12-1.30pm St Matt's Knits</b>
<b>Wed 2 July</b>	<b>9.00am Holy Communion</b>
	<b>12-2pm Welcome Space</b> <i>tea, coffee, soup and chat! All welcome</i>
	<b>7.15pm St. Matt's Gospel Singers</b>
<b>Fri 4 July</b>	<b>9.30-11.30am Mummy &amp; Me</b>
	<b>Youth Club at the beach for a BBQ 😊</b>
<b>Sun 6 July</b>	<b>8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)</b>
	<b>9.30am Explore Together</b> <i>with breakfast</i>
	<b>10.30am Gather to Pray</b>
	<b>11.00am Holy Communion</b> <i>followed by tea/coffee</i>

**Collect**

Lord, you have taught us that our doings without love are nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts the most excellent gift of love - the true bond of peace and of all virtues For your Son Jesus Christ's sake **Amen**

**For Morning Prayer online,**

we use the Church of England 'Daily Prayer' app and this zoom link: [tinyurl.com/2t56wex5](https://tinyurl.com/2t56wex5)

You are welcome to join us! Or follow here:



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**Thanks go to:**

Our Youth  
Team

## Readings

### **Luke 9:51-62**

<sup>51</sup> As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" <sup>55</sup> But Jesus turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then he and his disciples went to another village.

<sup>57</sup> As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup> Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

<sup>59</sup> He said to another man, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup> Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

<sup>61</sup> Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family." <sup>62</sup> Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

### **Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

<sup>1</sup> It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. <sup>14</sup> For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' <sup>15</sup> If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

<sup>16</sup> So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

<sup>19</sup> The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup> idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions <sup>21</sup> and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

## Dates for the diary

### Next Saturday - 5<sup>th</sup> July - at Dawlish Warren

(St Mary's Church Hall - 4 Mount Pleasant Road, Dawlish Warren, EX7 0N, at the end of the right hand car park at the Warren).

Come and join in the FUN at the BEACH - a day to spend time together having **fellowship** and **fun**. There will be a **sandcastle competition** and other activities, as well as it also being an opportunity to spend time exploring the activities at the Warren. A **BBQ lunch** will be provided. Please **sign up** on the sheet at the back of church so we have an idea of how much food to purchase!



**SOUTH WEST AWAKE** is an exciting prayer initiative involving Christians from all over Devon and Cornwall with hundreds of people praying all around the South West Coast Path on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am.



**16<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Ruth Beckett's licensing as Team Vicar** in the Bideford and the Four Villages Mission Community at St Mary's Church in Bideford. Everyone is welcome to join this celebration, and it would help the people in Bideford to know how many people are likely to attend, so please add your name to the list in church if you are planning to be there. We are not able to organise transport, but hope that people will be able to share lifts to reduce our carbon footprint!



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

New Wine will be hosting it's annual summer festival - 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.



Click here for more information [New Wine Festival](#) or scan the QR code

## News



**A MASSIVE** thank you to everyone who has so generously sponsored our young people for this year's camp at Westpoint – you have made a big impact on them. They are there this weekend and we'll be feeding back news next week!

**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 Sue Davies will be there on Wednesday and Thursday, telling the story of the paralysed man who came to Jesus through a hole in the roof! *Helen*

**Friends of St Matthias** Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM last Sunday - it was lovely to see so many of you there! A particular thank you to the refreshments servers and the cake makers - needless to say, there was not a crumb left - literally! I'd like to thank

Rob for all the years' stirring service he has given as the Friends Chairman - inevitably, he will be a hard act to follow but I know that I can count on his (and your) ongoing support as we enter a new era. And don't forget " Give to Go Green" which Rob has mentioned separately. *Nick Hewlitt*

### *Prayers for this week*

**Mon** – Pray for the process of getting a new vicar, that the right person will respond to God's call and for those stepping in, until they arrive.

**Tuesday** – Reflect on Proverbs 3:5/6. What does it mean to trust in the Lord with all your heart?

**Wed** – Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead and guide you in all truth. Can you pass the good news of Jesus Christ on to someone today?

**Thursday** – Pray for those who are sick, especially in Torbay Hospital and all who work there.

**Fri** – Pray for those in ministry in Torbay, that they may be always led by the Holy Spirit and thank God for their calling. Is God calling you to do something?

**Sat** – Pray for those who are lonely and isolated. Is there anyone you can reach out to?

**Sun** – Pray for peace in places of conflict. Are there people in your life you need to make peace with? Ask Jesus to show you the way forward. May the peace of the Lord which passes all understanding, rest on you today.

### **GIVE TO GO GREEN**

#### **Give to Go Green Match funding campaign**

On the night of the Give to Go Green auction at the Imperial Hotel, looking out across a sunlit bay, we were able to welcome a roomful of enthusiastic prospective auction bidders. By the end of the evening they had spent a total of £5,114! Although this is shared with our partners on the night - Rowcroft Hospice - everything paid after expenses into our designated Give a Little account will receive match funding under the G2GG scheme. It was a memorable summer evening and we are very grateful to our auctioneer Tim Dickinson who conceived and masterminded the event from start to finish. We are now looking forward to further events planned between now and the end of July:

- **19<sup>th</sup> July Quiz hosted by David Hodson**
- **22<sup>nd</sup> July Torbay Folk Choir Concert**
- **26<sup>th</sup> July Family Cream Tea Party**
- **Throughout - Treasure Hunt organised by Helen Baker**

Details at the Events Table at the back of the church. Come and talk to us, find out more - and buy your tickets. Every £ you give will be match funded – and will help support our Give to Go Green campaign.