

The Parish Bulletin

Communities enriched by Christian faith, worship & values

Yelverton Crafty Club meets at Yelverton Parish Hall on **1st and 3rd Tues** of the month, **1900-2100**. Details: Debbi Tanner 07772 312495.

Bishop Mike is coming to the Deanery Synod meeting on **Sat 7 Feb** at **1000**. The meeting is in **Tavistock Parish rooms** and all are welcome to attend.

World Day of Prayer. This year the service will be at **Holy Cross church** on **Fri 6 March** at **1400**, prepared by the Christians in Nigeria. The first meeting to prepare for this will be in Holy Cross hall on Friday 30 Jan at 1030. All are welcome.

Bishop Mike of Exeter will be joining the Mission Community for worship on **Palm Sunday (29 March)** at **Yelverton**. He will preside, and preach the sermon. The worship begins either at the Rock Pub or in church, with the Blessing of the Palms at 0930

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Open Churches All our churches are open daily for prayer and stillness

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WORSHIP

Mon 2 Feb 0900 Walkhampton Morning Prayer

Wed 4 Feb 1100 Yelverton Eucharist

Sun 8 Feb 0915 Yelverton Eucharist Ord I
0915 Sampford Spiney Eucharist BCP
0930 Walkhampton Morning Service
1000 Meavy Family Worship
1030 Horrabridge Eucharist Ord I

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

1 Feb (White)
Malachi 3.1-5
Psalm 24.7-end
Hebrews 2.14-end
Luke 2.22-40

8 Feb (Green)
Genesis 1.1-2.3
Psalm 136
Romans 8.18-25
Matthew 6.25-end

COLLECT. Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

READING Malachi 3.1-5 **PSALM** 24.7-end **2nd READING** Hebrews 2.14-end

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION. Alleluia, alleluia. This child is the light to enlighten the nations, and the glory of your people Israel. **Alleluia.**

GOSPEL READING (Luke 2.22-40). When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord"), and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a pair of doves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel." The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER. Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK. **1** For all children and their education and learning, from nursery through to University. **2** Our local Medical Centre - Doctors, Nurses, Midwives, other medical therapists, and administration staff. **3** Our Link Diocese - Thika. Kaira Parish, Vicar Revd Samuel and Reader Kungu Henry Ngige. **4** The Revd Miranda Donne, Associate Priest. **5** St Peter's, Meavy. The Congregation and PCC. **6** Our County School at Princetown (Head -Mr Joshua Bullock) teaching staff, the governors and children. **7** The Revd Mike Fairall, Priest with Permission to Officiate.

...IN NEED OF HEALING & WHOLENESS. Esther Rookes and Peggy Bryant