



THE HOLYFORD HERALD

News from the Holyford Mission Community

Serving the Parishes of St Lawrence, Southleigh, St Winifred, Branscombe, St Giles, Northleigh, St Michael, Musbury and St Andrew, Colyton with St Michael, Colyford.

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The Rector's Ramblings...

A very short 'ramble' from me this week, just to bring you up-to-date with the latest news. As always there is a lot going on around the Mission Community, the details of which can be found below.

With every good wish and blessing, Fr Steven.

Ascension Day Morning, Thursday 26th May

In the morning at St Winifred's, Branscombe, there will be a short service at 8am followed by breakfast. All are welcome. The children from Branscombe School have been invited and if the weather is good the older children will ascend the tower to sing a hymn. If you would like to come and have breakfast too, please let Caz Jefferies know (also if you have any special dietary requirements).

Ascension Day Evening, Thursday 26th May

The Bishop of Crediton, the Rt Rev Jackie Searle will be presiding and preaching at our Mission Community Eucharist at St Michael's Musbury. The service will start at 7pm and afterwards all are invited to The Hind in Musbury for supper. To book a Please contact Sue Irving on 01297 552440 or email sueirving336@btinternet.com if you would like to book a place for the meal afterwards.

We are putting together a special **Mission Community Choir** to sing at the Ascension Day Eucharist at Musbury. Iain Morison and Fr Steven will be leading it. If you would like to join, please let Caz know (office@holyford.org). The rehearsal is on Thursday 19th May at 7.30pm in St Michael's, Musbury. We shall be singing a simple anthem and setting for the Eucharist.

No Evening Prayer services around the Mission Community this week

Please note that Fr Steven will be away attending a clergy course and conference from **Monday 9th May until Friday 13th May**. There will be no Evening Prayer services around the villages this week. Please direct enquires/refer pastoral issues to the MC Office, Churchwardens or Mrs Hilary Smith (pastoral care coordinator 01297 551577).

Musbury Coffee & Chat Wednesday 11th May at 10.30am in Musbury Village Hall.

Questions of Life and Faith

This course will be resuming on Thursday 12th May at 2.00pm in Colyford Memorial Hall run by Canon Karen Curnock. All welcome.

Christian Aid Week 15–21 May

There will be a Coffee morning in Colyton Town Hall on Saturday 14th May, 9.45 – 11.45am. Also Hope Not Hunger sponsored steps – see poster below for details. The service at 9.30am on Sunday 15th May at St Andrew's will be focussed on the work of Christian Aid and we shall be welcoming Helen Collinson as our guest preacher.

Exeter Cathedral Come & Sing

If you would like to join a choir to sing at Exeter Cathedral for Evensong, 5.30pm on Saturday 14th May, please contact Nick Brown by Thursday 12th May if you wish to take part: nickpiano64@gmail.com.

Dr Charles Hill celebrates 40 years as a Reader

On Sunday 15th May there will be a special Evensong service at St Andrew's, Colyton to celebrate Charles Hill's 40 years as a Reader. All welcome to the service and refreshments afterwards.

Café St Michael

Tuesday 17th May, 10-12 noon in Colyford Memorial Hall – all welcome.

Holyford Mission Community Ukrainian Refugee Support Group

With Ukrainian refugees now starting to arrive in the U.K. and some arriving shortly within the parishes of The Holyford Mission Community, it could be of benefit to both hosts and refugees if we could help and welcome them by setting up a Mission Community Support and Social Group. At present it is unknown how many people within our parishes have volunteered to become hosts and this would be very useful to know. A social group could provide a social network for refugees and host families to get together, to talk, to be able to offer a kind and listening ear to families who are going through so much and to exchange useful information and perhaps also to organise social events. We may be able to offer holidays to refugees staying in cities, to give them and their hosts a break and space at a difficult and challenging time.

If you are planning on giving a home to refugees and are interested in becoming involved in supporting in this way, please let Jill Johnson know (details below). Jill would love to hear from people who would like to volunteer to help in other ways e.g. with setting the group up, with help organising social events, with language skills, transport, financial / benefit advice, or anything else that you can think of.

Contact: Jill Johnson, Churchwarden at St Winifred's, Branscombe, telephone: 01297 680133 or email a message via the Office. Our Administrator is Mrs Caz Jefferies, Office@holyford.org.

The Restoration of Holy Communion in Both Kinds

For a long time now we have been administering the Blessed Sacrament in one kind—the host (wafer) only—due to Covid. Now that there is less concern about the transmission of the virus from the common cup, the chalice is once again be available at the Eucharist.

That said, if for any reason a particular priest celebrating a Eucharist is not happy to offer the chalice, the Sacrament will be offered in one kind for that service and the priest will inform the congregation at the beginning of the Eucharist. Thank you for your understanding.

As we re-instate the chalice, I ask that you do not intinct (dip) hosts in the chalice. Anyone wishing to receive the chalice is asked to receive by taking a sip from it.

Those who wish to receive the chalice will be welcome to, but those who still feel unsure should not worry about continuing to receive the Sacrament in one kind—the host only—if they are at all uncertain about receiving the chalice. The teaching of the Church of England is that to receive the Sacrament in one kind (wafer only, or, for that matter, chalice only) is to receive Holy Communion in all its fullness. Receiving in one kind does not limit the efficacy of God's grace.

Mission Community Office Hours

The Mission Community Administrator will be available in the Office on the following three days a week between the following times: **Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays from 9.30am to 1.30pm**. The email address for Caz is: Office@holyford.org, the telephone number for the Office is: 01297 552307.

The St Winifred's Autumn Art Festival

Get the dates in your diary! Thursday 29th September to Sunday 2nd October 2022. A group from St Winifred's, Branscombe are planning an autumn festival to celebrate the rich beauty, atmosphere and faith of the village and its life. The core of the festival will be based at St Winifred's Church and the Branoc Hall. There will be art exhibitions, events, music and, of course, refreshments. Plans are still evolving, and further details will follow in the coming months. **Would you, or someone you know like to get involved?**

We are looking for artwork and exhibits which reflect something of Branscombe landscape, life or atmosphere. If you are an artist, or know of an artist who might be interested in creating something and submitting it for the exhibition during the festival, please contact John Mason for further details branscombearts@gmail.com, telephone: 01297 680110.

If you would like to offer your help, to steward the exhibition and events, or with refreshments, or get involved in any way, we would love to hear from you. Please contact John Mason.

Prayers

Please continue to pray for all those who are struggling at this time, especially those ill at home or in hospital. Pray too for those struggling to make ends meet, as a result of the pandemic and rising fuel prices.

Prayer requests can be sent to us via the office@hollyford.org or to Fr Steven. We remember those who have died recently, among them:

Robert Jones and Ian Tyler

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

1,500,000 Steps
for
HOPE NOT HUNGER

That's 750 miles
by our small team
this May...

christian aid

Join the team?
Contact :
info@cdarchitects.co.uk

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HOW TO DONATE

Envelopes for cash or cheques* from:
St Andrew's/ the Lantern/ Colyford PO.
(*payable to Christian Aid Colyton & District)

PLEASE CONSIDER GIFT AID
(details on envelope)

By Bank Transfer

Bank name Lloyds Bank
Acc. Name Christian Aid Colyton & District
Sort Code 30-90-37
Acc. No. 00982768

To Gift Aid use the form on the envelope
and add a note 'donation by bank transfer'
and we'll do the rest.

THANK YOU!