

Services and Events this week and next Sunday

Sunday 20th November <i>Christ the King</i> <i>Safeguarding Sunday</i>	8.00am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Michael's, Colyford
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Winifred's, Branscombe
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Michael's, Musbury
	11.15am	Morning Prayer, St Lawrence's, Southleigh
	12.30pm	Cleo Bazen-Mulholland Baptism, Northleigh
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong, St Andrew's, Colyton
Monday 21st November	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
Tuesday 22nd November <i>St Cecilia</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.00am	Colytots, St Andrew's, Colyton
Wednesday 23rd November <i>St Clement</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Eucharist followed by Prayers for the Sick, St Andrew's, Colyton
	4.15pm	Silent Prayer for Peace, St Andrew's, Colyton
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	7.30pm	Colyton PCC meeting, SSB, Colyton
Thursday 24th November	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	6.00pm	MC Choir practice, St Winifred's, Branscombe
Friday 25th November <i>Catherine, martyr</i> <i>Isaac Watts</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Friendly Friday, St Andrew's, Colyton
Saturday 26th November	10.00am	Mission Community Choir Practice, Colyton
Sunday 27th November <i>Advent I</i>	8.00am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Giles's, Northleigh
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Lawrence's, Southleigh
	4.45pm	MC Choir rehearsal, St Winifred's, Branscombe
	6.30pm	Mission Community Advent Carol Service, St Winifred's, Branscombe



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Prayers and Readings for this Sunday

Collect Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Jeremiah 23. 1–6 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Psalm 46 1 God is our hope and strength * a very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved * and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea. 3 Though the waters thereof rage and swell * and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same. 4 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God * the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest. 5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed * God shall help her, and that right early. 6 The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved * but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away. 7 The Lord of hosts is with us * the God of Jacob is our refuge. 8 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord * what destruction he hath brought upon the earth. 9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world * he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire. 10 Be still then,

and know that I am God * I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth. 11 The Lord of hosts is with us * the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Colossians 1. 11–20 May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Luke 23. 33–43 When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Post Communion Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Mission Community Advent Service, Sunday 27th November, 6.30pm in Branscombe. Please come along and celebrate the start of Advent together.

Silent Prayer for Peace, Every Wednesday from 4.15–4.45pm in the Lady Chapel, St Andrew's, Colyton. Join us for a few minutes of stay for half an hour. You may wish to stay for Evening Prayer at 5pm. We come in silence and leave in silence. All are welcome. Please contact Hetty Kothari on 01297 552504 for more information.

Advent Mission Community Choir. If you, or anyone you know would like to be part of the Mission Community Choir for the Advent Carol Service please let Fr Steven know. The next practice is on Thursday 24th November 6pm at St Winifred's in Branscombe. The next one is on the day at 4.45pm.

Colyton Sidesmen's meeting, Sunday 20th November, after the 9,30am Sunday service. Please see Christine Sansom for more details.

Looking Ahead

Pause for Advent Reflection, 11am on Fridays 9, 16 & 23 December for 30 mins, in the Lady Chapel towards the end of Friendly Friday coffee mornings. *Studying the canticles from St Luke's Gospel* - We shall informally reflect with music, thought and prayer on The Magnificat, The Benedictus and The Nunc Dimittis. All our welcome to drop in. Please contact Reverend Ann Stuckey (tel. 07473 664328) for more details or just turn up.

Colyford Christmas Fair, Saturday 3rd December, 10am–2pm, Colyford Memorial Hall, lots of stalls, refreshments and much more.

Musbury Christmas Craft Fair, Saturday 3rd December, 10am–12.30pm, variety of craft stalls, refreshments and much more.

Christmas Tree Festival, Wednesday 7th to Saturday 10th December, in St Andrew's Colyton. The festival will open in conjunction with Colyton Christmas Fair. If you would like to bring a tree for the festival, entry forms are available from The Lantern Charity shop or St Andrew's. Please contact Christine Sansom for more information on 01297 552065.

Your Prayers this week are asked for

Sunday:	For our government and members of parliament
Monday:	For those who enrich our worship with music
Tuesday:	For those suffering from anxiety
Wednesday:	For all suffering from hunger or malnutrition
Thursday:	For an end to the pollution of our rivers and streams
Friday:	For those who find prayer difficult
Saturday:	For children in our local schools, their parents and teachers