

## Services and Events this week and next Sunday

<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Epiphany II</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
	6.30pm	Evensong, St Andrew's, Colyton
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Richard Rolle</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January</b> <i>St Agnes</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.00am	ColyTots, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Café St Michael, Colyford Memorial Hall
	3.30pm	Chorister Club, St Andrew's, Colyton
	4.30pm	Beginner's Bell-Handling, St Andrew's
	7.30pm	Mission Community Council, SSB, Colyton
<b>Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b> <i>St Vincent</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Eucharist (BCP), St Andrew's, Colyton
	4.15pm	Silent Prayer for Peace, St Andrew's Church
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer, St Andrew's Church
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	1.00pm	Colyton Bell-Ringers, St Andrew's Church
	2.00pm	Bible Study meeting, SSB, Colyton
	7.30pm	Colyton PCC meeting, SSB, Colyton
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>St Francis de Sales</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Friendly Friday, St Andrew's, Colyton
	1.00pm	Roger Moore Funeral, East Devon Crematorium
	6.45pm	Colyton Choir Practice, St Andrew's Church
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Conversion of St Paul</i>	10.00am	Everyday First Aid Training, SSB, Colyton
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Epiphany III</i>	8.00am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Michael's, Colyford
	11.15am	Morning Prayer, St Winifred's, Branscombe
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Giles's, Northleigh
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Lawrence's, Southleigh
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer, St Michael's, Musbury



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### Prayers and Readings for this Sunday

**Collect** Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Isaiah 43. 1-7** For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

**Psalms 36. 5-10** 5 Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens \* and thy faithfulness unto the clouds. 6 Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains \* thy judgements are like the great deep. 7 Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast; How excellent is thy mercy, O God \* and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. 8 They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house \* and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river. 9 For with thee is the well of life \* and in thy light shall we see light. 10 O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee \* and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

**1 Corinthians 12. 1-11** Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the

same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

**John 2. 1–11** On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

**Post-Communion Collect** God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Notices

**Café St Michael**, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 10.00am, come along to our friendly coffee morning in Colyford Memorial Hall.

**Bible Study Group**, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 2pm in the Sunday School Building (Colyton). All are welcome to attend, refreshments served beforehand. Please contact Emma Laughton for more information on 01297 551400.

Just a reminder that the rearranged Colyton PCC meeting is this **Thursday (23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7pm** in the Sunday School Building.

**Please spread the news of our groups for youngsters. ColyTots** every Tuesday at 9am in St Andrew's Church, Colyton. Coffee and croissants, stories, music and chat. Parents, Carers and tots all welcome. **Chorister Club** Tuesdays after school. For children aged 7 and older.

**Do you, or someone you know, wish to be baptised and/or confirmed?** Please contact Fr Steven.

**Children and Families Worker** We are looking for a friendly, lively and energetic person to lead our work with children and families. Please spread the news of this vacancy. We wish to appoint someone who will coordinate and develop a range of activities and opportunities that will enable children and families to encounter Jesus Christ and take part in church life. These will include leading our weekly toddler group, Sunday school and assisting with Chorister Club. For further details, including a job-description, please contact Fr Steven: Rector@holyford.org

The funeral for the late **Arthur Parsons** will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon. The funeral for the late **Ken Long** will take place on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January, time tbc. Both in St Andrew's Church, Colyton.

*Your Prayers this week are asked:*

Sunday:	For the Rt Rev Jackie Searle on her retirement
Monday:	For hospital managers and all those who work in the NHS
Tuesday:	For a new children and families worker for our churches
Wednesday:	For all who have lost loved ones this winter time
Thursday:	For hospital chaplains
Friday:	For endangered species
Saturday:	For churches suffering persecution

**Prayer for the week**

O Lord Jesus Christ, prince of peace, break down the barriers which separate us from each other and from God. Teach Christians to love each other across the walls of colour, class and creed; forgive us, too, the excuses we make for our own prejudice. And lead us captive in your cause of peace and goodwill on earth; for your name's sake. Amen.

*Ian Bunting*