

## Collect for today

Blessed Lord,  
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:  
help us so to hear them,  
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them  
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,  
we may embrace and for ever hold fast  
the hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## Readings for today (may vary)

Jeremiah 31:7-9,  
(Psalm 126)  
Hebrews 7:23-end,  
Mark 10:46-end

## Next week's reading

Deuteronomy 6:1-9,  
(Psalm 118:1-8)  
Hebrews 9:11-14,  
Mark 12:28-34

## Later today

6.30pm Okehampton – Choral Evensong  
Hatherleigh – United Service for Bible  
Soc. Weekend in Chapel  
Northlew – United Service of Light in  
Ashbury Church

## Verse for the Week

“He (Jesus) is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.” **Hebrews 7:25**

## Prayer and Reading Diary Lydford

### Monday

**Read:** Deuteronomy 6:1-9,

**Pray for:** Children and young people at school or college; for teachers, staff and all their helpers. For those working for the continuing success of Lydford Foxes youth football teams.

### Tuesday

**Read:** Psalm 118:1-8,

**Pray for:** The Drop In at Nicholls Hall, its organisers and patrons, the elderly, housebound, lonely and those suffering from long-term ill health.

### Wednesday

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**Read:** Hebrews 9:11-14,

**Pray for:** All those who play an active role in the life of the village, both organisers or supporters and those who represent us on councils and committees.

### Thursday

**Read:** Mark 12:28-34,

**Pray for:** Worshippers and those who help to keep the church and grounds open, welcoming and tidy and for visitors and those who use the church at quiet times.

### Friday

**Read:** Daniel 2:1-48,

**Pray for:** The Churchwarden and P.C.C. who are responsible for the day to day running of the church. For their decisions over work on the church fabric and grounds. More people to come forward to play an active role in church life.

### Saturday

**Read:** Rev 7:9-end,

**Pray for:** Adrian, for all those ordained and lay people who lead worship in the Northmoor team preparing for tomorrow's services; for those who enhance that worship with music, reading and prayer and for all. For those who for various reasons will not attend worship tomorrow.

## Events this week

### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October:

**9am** Hatherleigh Prayer Group - Methodist Prayer Room  
**5pm** Prayers for new Rector, Revd Leigh Winsbury – Hatherleigh Church.

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October:

**9am** Bridestowe weekly joint church prayer Meeting: Contact Jenny Reynolds 01837 861678  
**9.30 -11.30 am** Parent/Childminder & Toddler Gp. Old Schools, Hatherleigh

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November:

**10am** Holy Communion - St James Chapel

## Notices:

We are pleased to announce that the Reverend Leigh Winsbury has been appointed Team Vicar in the Northmoor Team Ministry. Leigh is presently a curate based in Bideford. Before his ordination in 2015, Leigh worked in a variety of occupations, latterly in land management and stock farming. He has served as estate manager at Lee abbey in North Devon. Leigh is married to Lynn and they have two adult sons. They will move to Hatherleigh Rectory in the new year and subject to the completion of all legal formalities, Leigh will be licensed to his new ministry by the Bishop of Plymouth on the evening of Wednesday, January 23rd at a service in Hatherleigh parish church at which all will be welcome. Your prayers are asked for Leigh and Lynn as they prepare for this new chapter in their life together and in Leigh's ministry as a priest.

## Notices:

There will be **NO** Coffee Morning on **Saturday 3rd November**. This has been cancelled to enable all to attend the funeral of Pat Endacott, taking place at All Saints at 11am.

All Souls' Day Commemoration Services will be on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**.  
Lydford – 7pm  
Hatherleigh – 7pm  
Okehampton – 7.30pm

The date of the next Okehampton PCC has been changed to the **14<sup>th</sup> of November**.

## Future Events:

### Sunday 28th October:

The Exbourne Community Choir is giving a performance at Inwardleigh church at 2.30pm to include refreshments. Tickets are £6 - available from Dot Cleave, Brenda Hooper, or Ann Chastey.

### Sunday 28th October: Choral Evensong

All Saints' Okehampton at 6.30pm - a service of full Choral Evensong sung by *The Holwyl Singers* (director Andrew Wilson). The music will consist of some of the great master works of the English cathedral tradition Everyone is welcome.

### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November: Bible Study

Next one is at 2pm @ Old Schools, Hatherleigh

### Friday 16th November: All Saints Quiz Night

At Okehampton Church Hall - 7.30 pm start.  
Teams of six. Cost is £4 per person, to include light refreshments. Contact Ann Pantrey to book (01837 55830 or annpantrey54@gmail.com)

## Services for 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018 All Saints Sunday

8.00am	Sourton – Holy Communion
9.30am	Belstone – Morning Prayer Inwardleigh– Holy Communion Bratton Clovelly – Morning Prayer Bridestowe – Joint Service in Church with Methodists Meeth – All Age Worship Exbourne – Holy Communion by ext. Northlew – Holy Communion
11.00am	Okehampton – Family Service Lydford – Holy Communion Hatherleigh – Holy Communion
11.15am	Germansweek – Holy Communion
6.00pm	Jacobstowe - Evensong
6.30pm	Okehampton – Holy Communion

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# Grapevine

## Northmoor Churches Weekly News

*Last Sunday after Trinity*

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The story of Blind Bartimaeus, which is set for today, is one of my favourites. There is the blind man: sitting in his gateway begging when Jesus passes by. Bartimaeus shouts out and the people tell him to be quiet but Jesus stops. "Take courage, he is calling you," the people say. Bartimaeus receives not just his sight but a whole new direction for his life: the story ends "and he followed him in the way."

How often have we been told to be quiet when we have called out to Jesus? Most probably the voices came from inside us. "Don't bother him: he won't hear you: who are you anyway?" But Jesus then and now has that unique ability to hear the genuine heartfelt cry for help and stop and call us to him. "Out of the depths have I cried to you O God!" says the psalmist. When we call out from the bottom of our heart the cry goes straight into God's presence.

Bartimaeus was no-one special. He was just a poor blind beggar sitting by the roadside waiting for people to toss him a few coins out of charity. After this he disappears from the Bible never to return but he mattered to Jesus: enough for him to give him what he most wanted: the ability to see. His story gives us the courage to believe that God hears us when we cry out to him. "Take courage: he is calling you."

*Stephen*