

Collect for Today

O God,
Forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
Amen.

Readings for This Week

Isaiah 45.1-7
(Psalm 96.1-9[10-13])
1 Thessalonians 1.1-10
Matthew 22.15-22

Readings for Next Week

Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18
(Psalm 1)
1 Thessalonians 2.1-8
Matthew 22.34-46

Verse for the Week

I will go before you and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you
the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in
secret places, so that you may know that it is I,
the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by
your name. **Isaiah 45:2-3**

Prayer & Reading Diary Sourton

Monday

Read: Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18
Prayer: Our clergy, especially Adrian Brook and his
family, lay readers and Sourton lay worship leader,
Jenny Pratt.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 1
Prayer: Local families, farmers and children;
Boasley Cross Primary School and all schools in the
Dartmoor Federation.

Wednesday

Read: 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8
Prayer: The Sourton Commoners Association,
Sourton Parish Council and Women's Institute.

Thursday

Read: Matthew 22.34-46
Prayer: Our PCC members and all who care for St
Thomas' Church.

Friday

Read: Ecclesiastes 11, 12
Prayer: All who visit St Thomas' Church; our
outreach to visitors and to all people seeking faith and
direction.

Saturday

Read: 2 Timothy 2.1-7
Prayer: Those who are sick in body, mind or spirit.

Notices:



Government regulations now require the wearing of face coverings in church.

- Our area remains in the lower tier of infections.
Church services continue as before. Please be aware
that it is the responsibility of all of us to keep the risk
as low as we possibly can by sanitizing our hands,
covering our faces and maintaining physical
distancing. This is especially true after services, when
it is natural for people to want to get together to talk to
each other. Please hold short conversations, keep
your distance and continue outside or by phone if
possible.
- Stephen will be hosting a zoom fellowship on Tues
20th Oct at 7:30 pm. After a short time of catch up we
will look at the passages for the following Sunday and
share thoughts and prayers. Do join in if you can.
Zoom is very easy to use: just click on the link which
will be sent out later in the week and if you don't have
Zoom on your computer it will ask you if you want to
download it: say yes and then follow the instructions.
There are also very useful "how to" guides on
YouTube.
- Remembrance Sunday services will be taking place
at local churches cross the team for details check with
your local clergy.

Notices:



- The weekly Thursday 10 o'clock service at **St James' Chapel** is once more taking place. For those who haven't been before, we use the old Book of Common Prayer. Also, the chapel is open all day after the service and all day on a Sunday.
- The service this Sunday at **Inwardleigh at 9:30 am** will include thanksgiving for Edna McDowell, whose ashes will be buried after the service.



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Church Services:



Sunday 18th October

8:30am

Bratton Clovelly & Germansweek – Celtic Holy Communion

9:30 am

Northlew – Morning Prayer
Bridestowe – Holy Communion
Belstone – Morning Prayer
Inwardleigh – Holy Communion
Jacobstowe – Holy Communion

11:00 am

Okehampton – Holy Communion
Hatherleigh – Family Service
Lydford – Matins

Sunday 25th October (These may change)

8:30am

Sticklepath – Holy Communion

9:30 am

Northlew – Morning Prayer
Belstone – Holy Communion
Inwardleigh – Morning Prayer
Exbourne – Holy Communion

11:00 am

Okehampton – Holy Communion
Hatherleigh – Lay Team Service
Lydford – Holy Communion
Sourton – Morning Prayer
Meeth – Holy Communion

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This Sunday the epistle readings change from Philippians to Thessalonians and it is noticeable that St Paul begins the new as he ends the old. He has called the Philippians his joy and his crown, now he tells the Thessalonians how immensely proud he is of them. These are not just words of encouragement; these people are his life's work: his legacy. They are living testimony to the truth of the Gospel.

In a previous parish I was asked to take the funeral of a man who had died in his 70s. He was married and had two sons. I went round to the house to talk about the service and after a while I asked them to tell me something about their husband and father. There was a long silence as they tried to think of something notable they could say about him. At last the older one said "Well, he liked his telly."

It is a good idea every so often to think about our legacy: the imprint our life will leave on the world after we have gone. Most of us won't write books or found charities or invent new technologies but hopefully there will be more to say about us than that we liked to watch TV. Our legacy will be the impact we have on the lives of others and it is never too late to make that investment. In large or small ways we can be an example of the three things that last forever: faith, hope and love. That will be our joy and our crown.

Stephen