

This Weeks Diary

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Mon 18th – Fri 27th Oct: Morning & Evening Prayer

08:30 & 5pm: St John's: Common Worship

Sunday 17th October: 20th Sunday after Trinity

Job 38.1-7, 16-end; Hebrews 5.1-10; Mark 10.2-16

Hymns: 101, 292, 106, NH&W 114, 224

08:00 St John's: BCP
10:00 St John's: Holy Communion
11.15 St Boniface: Satellite Service
6pm St John's: Benediction

Monday 18th October: Luke the Evangelist

2 Timothy 4.5-17; Psalm 147.1-7; Luke 10.1-9.

09.30 St John's: Holy Communion

Tuesday 19^h October: Henry Martyn

Romans 5.12,15,17-end; Psalm 40.7-12; Luke 12.35-38.

09:30 St Boniface: Holy Communion

Wednesday 20th October:

Romans 6.12-18; Psalm 124; Luke 12.39-48.

11:00 St John's: Holy Communion

Thursday 21st October:

Romans 6.19-end; Psalm 1; Luke 12.49-53.

09:30 St John's: Holy Communion

Friday 22nd October:

Romans 7.18-end; Psalm 119.33-40; Luke 12.54-end.

09:30 St John's: Holy Communion

Saturday 23rd October:

Romans 8.1-11; Psalm 24.1-6; Luke 13.1-9.

09:00 St John's: Holy Communion

Sunday 24th October: Last Sunday after Trinity

Job 42,1-6, 10-17; Hebrews 7.23-28; Mark 10.46-52

Hymns: 458, 122, 291, NH&W 12, 246

08:00 St John's: BCP
10:00 St John's: Holy Communion
11.15 St Boniface: Café Communion

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 18th October: St John's

2.30pm: Prayer Group

Sunday 31st October: St John's

6pm: All Souls Service with anointing and prayer

Tuesday 9th November: St Boniface

12noon: Vintage Messy Church

Saturday 13th October: St John's

10.15am: PCC Meeting

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Parish of Paignton
St John the Baptist, Paignton
St Boniface, Paignton



SUNDAY 17th October 2021 20th Sunday after Trinity

All Souls: Our 6pm service on the 31st is a gentle service with reflective hymns and anthems. Please do invite those you know who have lost loved ones over the last 2 years as our records are incomplete. A list for names to be read out in the service will be available in both churches to complete.

Wednesday Soup Lunch: A soup lunch after the service on Wednesdays will commence from the 27th October; please speak to Fr Neil or the church wardens if you are interested in helping get this underway.

Remembrance Sunday: Our uniformed service with the RBL this year will commence at 10.15 in church. Then, at 3pm there will be a memorial wreath laying at Palace Avenue Park & Memorial. Please note: Holy Communion at St John's that day will just be the 8am BCP service. There are other Holy Communion services available that morning for those unable to get early transport; at St Georges, Goodrington and St John's, Torquay at 10.50am.

St Andrew's Church: We are clearing some of the final items from St Andrew's church in readiness for the Bay Church renovations. There are items you might wish to acquire such as wooden pew chairs which we will post on the Paignton Parishes Facebook Page this week.

Send a Cow: This year, why not place one Christmas card to all your friends in church, on the noticeboard we will provide, and give the money you saved on cards and postage to our Christmas **Send a Cow** campaign? More details to follow.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

- All who you call to be priests and ministers that they may be worthy of their calling;
- All who are blinded by selfish ambition and pursuits;
- All who abuse their authority and power;
- All who are insensitive to the needs of others that they may be more ready to care and willing to serve;
- All who have difficult decisions to make;
- All who need God's love and protection including ourselves, but most especially for those in need or suffering including:
Beverly, Ron, Margaret, Paula, Paul
- The families and friends of those who have died recently including:

Alfred Bennett; Vicky Phipps

and any whose anniversary of death fall at this time.

Andrew Litt, Donald Piper, David Hunter Pr, Philip Berrow Pr, Harry Hawkins, Jan Rousay, Gerald Harding

Irene Throw, Bud Gaye, Pam Arthurs, Jean Fordham, Marjorie Ward, Fred Brown

Collect

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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.

Job 38.1-7

Page 443 of the ESV bible

Psalm 104 vv.1-8

Bless the Lord, | O my soul.
O Lord my God, how excellent | is
your greatness!
You are clothed with majes|ty and
honour,
Wrapped in light as | in a garment:

You spread out the heavens | like a
curtain:
And lay the beams of your dwelling
place in the wa|ters above
You make the |clouds your chariot:
and ride on the wings |of the wind:

You make the winds your
messengers; and flames of |fire
your servants.
You laid the foundations |of the
earth, that it should not move at
|any time.

You covered the deep | like a
garment;
the waters stood high a|bove the
hills.
At your re|buke they fled; at the
voice of your they has|tened away.

Hebrews 5.1-10

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Mark 10.35-45

35 As James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and

said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.'

36And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' 37And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' 38But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' 39They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; 40but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

41 When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. 42So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. 43But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, 44and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. 45For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Mark 10.35-45 Study Notes

Earlier (in 9:33-34) the disciples have argued about which of them is the greatest. Now two members v.35 of the inner circle ask a favour of Jesus: they seek positions of special dignity at the messianic banquet in heaven at the end of time (v.37). only Peter, James and John were present with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane and at the Transfiguration. They should have known better than to make this request. In Matthew 20:20, it is their mother who asks on their behalf. Perhaps Matthew softened the request. Jesus answers: you do not know the implications of what you ask. In the Old Testament, "cup" (v.38) is one's lot assigned by God, be it blessing or condemnation. Here, Jesus is speaking of his suffering and death. To be baptised with Jesus'

baptism is to share fully in God's ways. In 14:36, in the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus asks: "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want". James and John confidently answer yes (v.39) and accept all the consequences but during the Passion, these disciples show cowardice! Only the Father knows whom he has called to special places in the kingdom. Jesus tells all the disciples: pagan authority depends on power and force (v.42) but for disciples, it is different (v.43): to be "great" now and in the kingdom ("become", v.43 and "be" v.44) one must serve others; to be "first", one must serve even more humbly, as a "slave". Jesus, the "Son of Man" (v. 45), Here this term denotes Jesus' authority, and his own voluntary lowliness and abasement. V45. "ransom": The Greek word, *lytron*, conveys the idea of deliverance by purchase on behalf of a captive, slave or criminal. During the Last Supper, Jesus says: "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many" (14:24). See also Luke 4:18 and 1 Timothy 2:5-6. V.45 "for many": This echoes Isaiah 53:11-12 (part of a Servant Song): the Servant "... bore the sin of many ...".

Once you are settled

Read the passage slowly and reflectively

- Note anything that particularly strikes you, and refer to the notes if they are helpful. Spend a few moments in quiet reflection

Questions for reflection:

1. It is easy to criticize James and John, but put yourself in their shoes – how do you feel?
2. We are used to a particular kind of power and leadership. What is different about the kind of leadership Jesus tells us about?
3. "not to be served but to serve": if that is the job description for a Christian, how does this work in your life??

Read the passage for a final time and give thanks to God for the gift of his holy word.