

## Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection  
and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen**

## Readings for This Week (may vary)

Acts 4.5-12  
(Psalm 23)  
1 John 3.16-24  
John 10.11-18

## Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Acts 8.26-40  
(Psalm 22.25-31)  
1 John 4.7-21  
John 15.1-8

## Verse for the Week:

“There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other  
name under heaven given among mortals by which we  
must be saved” **Acts 4:12**

## Prayer & Reading Diary Bratton Clovelly

### Monday

**Read:** Acts 8.26-40  
**Prayer:** Church groups and committees, PCC  
members, Church Wardens and officers.

### Tuesday

**Read:** Psalm 22.25-31  
**Prayer:** The young people in the village and those  
in education, especially at Boasley Cross School and  
Okehampton College; and all those at university and  
college.

### Wednesday

**Read:** 1 John 4.7-21  
**Prayer:** The older people in the community and  
those who have recently moved into the village.

### Thursday

**Read:** John 15.1-8  
**Prayer:** The sick at home or in hospital and anyone  
suffering either mentally or physically in the  
community.

### Friday

**Read:** Daniel 3.16-28  
**Prayer:** Methodist chapels and our continuing co-  
operation with them and all those who minister in our  
churches throughout the team.

### Saturday

**Read:** Hebrews 11.32 - 12.2  
**Prayer:** The Parish Council, Parish Hall Committee  
and all other organisations.

## Notices:



\* The new **Northmoor Team Website** is now up and  
running, just search for Northmoor Team Ministry .

### \* Men's Prayer Rally

*If my people, who are called by my name, will humble  
themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from  
their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I  
will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

*2 Chronicles 7:14*

To pray for our country to recover the Christian faith  
and for us to be encouraged to profess it in the public  
Sphere.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 3.00pm @ Simmons Park,  
Okehampton**

Contact Revd. Adrian Brook 01837 861580 or your  
local church minister for more details

\* There is a **Celtic Evening Prayer service** at  
Jacobstowe on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, at 7pm.

\* There is a **Coffee Morning and Plant Sale** in aid  
of All Saints Flower Fund on **Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>** at  
the home of Sara and John Hall, 2 Church Path  
Okehampton from 10am. Please support and bring  
your friends; donations of plants welcome.

\* **Sunday 5h May – Songs of Life and Hope:  
5pm at St Mary's, Sticklepath**

## Dates for your Diary:



### \* Re-scheduled Date - Sticklepath Quiz Night

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

7pm for 7:30pm start at Village Hall.

£10 per team of 4. Bring your own refreshments.

There will also be a raffle. All proceeds to St. Mary's Church, Sticklepath. Please book in your team with Niki Wooldridge on 01837 840876

### \* An Italian Evening in Belstone Village Hall on Saturday 11th May, 6.30 for 7pm

Join us for a relaxing evening of live music from "Moorland Mandolins", a two course Italian style home cooked meal, with a Bar and Raffle.

Tickets £15 to be bought in advance available from [belstonevillage.net](http://belstonevillage.net)

For further information, or tickets, contact Edwina on 07967179769

(This event is in aid of St Mary's Church, Belstone.)

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## Church Services:



### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April

(4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter)

#### 9:30am

Northlew – Morning Prayer  
Exbourne – Holy Communion  
Meeth – Morning Praise  
Belstone – Morning Prayer  
Inwardleigh – Holy Communion  
Bratton Clovelly – Holy Communion

#### 11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion  
Lydford – Morning Prayer  
Hatherleigh – Family Service  
Bridestowe – Joint Service with Methodists

#### 7pm

Hatherleigh - Prayer and Praise

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

(5 Sunday of Easter)

#### 8:30am

Sticklepath – Holy Communion

#### 9:30am

Belstone – Holy Communion  
Inwardleigh – Morning Prayer  
Jacobstowe – Holy Communion by Ext.  
Northlew – Morning Prayer  
Bridestowe – Family Service  
Bratton Clovelly – Morning Prayer  
Sourton – Morning Prayer

#### 11:00am

Okehampton – Holy Communion  
Hatherleigh – Morning Service  
Meeth – Holy Communion by Ext.  
Lydford – Holy Communion  
Exbourne – Morning Prayer

#### 6:00pm

Hatherleigh - Evensong

# Grapevine

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024

  
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Just look at humanity - what are we like?! Jesus, whilst on this earth, talked about being the Good Shepherd, about God loving everyone, and healed people in body, mind and spirit. Jesus preached about another way – one of service, and protecting the vulnerable and weak - but got crucified for it. Then, in our Acts reading today, we see Jesus' followers – Peter and John – arrested as they say "because of a good deed done to someone who was sick".

We have a message, a gospel, to proclaim and it's so good it scares people sometimes. Power seems to be more important than peace. Control, more important than care. People don't like to be told if you love your life you must lose it, or to love your neighbour as yourself.

I was watching an episode of *Pilgrim* the other night, and someone was surprised to learn Jesus was a human being in history. They thought he was made up. Yet Jesus Christ of Nazareth was a human being, located in our time and space, whom God raised from the dead. It's incredible. But then, the truth is incredible too – this human being is also God. Come to earth. Human.

There is one major difference between Christianity and other religions – we have a God who is vulnerable and became a victim of humanity's hate. Yet in that weakness there lies strength, salvation and true power to raise the dead, heal the sick, and know fullness of life simply by calling on the name of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life for us sheep. Yes – hard to believe – such grace is given us!

*With love in Christ, Rev Gill*