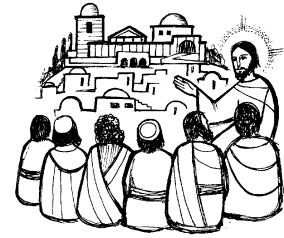


**The Silverton, Butterleigh,
Bickleigh & Cadeleigh
Mission Community Newsletter**
Sunday 16th November 2025, 2nd before Advent



This Sunday

9.30 am Holy Communion (CW) (Silverton) The Revd Sheila Walker
11.00 am Morning Praise (Bickleigh) Mr Matt Melksham
11.00 am All-Age Worship (Cadeleigh) Mrs Rose Chanin
No service in Butterleigh
Principal readings: Malachi 4.1-2a; 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13; Luke 21.5-19

The week ahead

Monday 10.30 am - 12 noon, Coffee n Chat, Silverton Church Hall
Thursday 10.00 am, Holy Communion (BCP) (Silverton)
7.30 pm, Bickleigh Bible and Babble, Gable Cottage, Bickleigh
Saturday 8.30 am, Men's Breakfast, Exe Valley Farm Shop

Next Sunday: 23rd November 2025, Christ the King

9.30 am All-Age Worship (Silverton) Mrs Antonia Tregenza
11.00 am Holy Communion (Bickleigh) The Revd Thom Thompson
11.15 am Holy Communion (Butterleigh) The Revd Chris Rowley
3.00 pm Evensong (BCP) (Cadeleigh) Mrs Antonia Tregenza
Principal readings: Jeremiah 23.1-6; Colossians 1.11-20; Luke 23.33-43

Clergy Contacts

We are now in an interregnum, and so for the moment we have no Rector for our four parishes until a new appointment has been made. If there is any urgent pastoral matter, please contact one of the churchwardens who will be able to put you in touch with a local member of the clergy. For all other matters, at first instance, please contact Maggie Smith, our administrator, by email: maggiesmith.silverleigh@gmail.com or telephone: 07790 291740.

Prayers for those who are ill or in hospital or otherwise in need

Please hold in your prayers: Andrew Hird, Edward Barham, Sylvia Lewis, Jim Wise, Gerry Hird, Martin McNeely, Karen Lloyd, Bill and Avril Pattinson, Chris Taylor, Martin Clough June Frost, Marcus Hilton, and Gwyneth Whitty or anyone else known to you. Please also let the churchwardens know of anyone in need of our prayers, or to be contacted, or both.

Would you also please particularly remember in your prayers any known to you who are suffering from ill-health, hardship or are lonely or frightened. May we also pray for all those who are suffering in conflicts across the world and for an end to violence and a just and lasting peace.

Faithful departed

Please remember in your prayers, Barbara Butler recently departed. May she rest in peace.

The Interregnum

During the interregnum, we will be assisted in our worship by a number of clergy and lay ministers who have very kindly offered their services. I hope we will all support them and make them feel welcome in our

churches. They are giving up their time and going to a lot of trouble on our behalf, so please make a special effort to attend so they feel their time with us is appreciated. It is also a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the different insights that each will bring. So let us use the interregnum as a time to work and worship together as a family as we look forward to appointing a new Rector.

The Revd Sheila Walker: Anthology of Poems

The Revd Sheila Walker, who is helping us so much in Silverton, has written a book of poems which she is selling in aid of TEARFUND (a Christian charity that partners with churches in more than 50 of the world's poorest countries to tackle poverty and injustice). They are for sale at £5 each, with £2 going to TEARFUND. Support your local poet and buy a lovely Christmas present. Sheila will bring some copies with her to Silverton on Sunday.

C.H.A.T.

A reminder that it is C.H.A.T. Sunday this Sunday (the 16th November). As always, household items and foodstuff would be very welcome. Christmas this year will be a very difficult time for some, so as we approach this festive time, may we please remember those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Donations of items that would be particularly appropriate for Christmas would be much appreciated. All items may be left at the back of the church during the week or on the Sunday.

Men's Breakfast

You are warmly invited to the next Silverleigh Men's Breakfast on Saturday 22nd November at 8.30 am at the Exe Valley Farm Shop Cafe. Jon Smye, who lives in Silverton, will give a presentation on 'Raising aspirations through education - how a school in Thika (near Nairobi, Kenya) has inspired a community.' Jon has spent time at the school, so speaks with first-hand experience and will be able to show what is being achieved. Please let John Kingdom know if you intend to join us at what promises to be a very inspiring morning. His email is john@thekingdoms.co.uk and telephone is 07803034514.

O Lord God,
when you give to your servants to endeavour any great matter,
grant us also to know that it is not the beginning,
but the continuing of the same
until it be thoroughly finished,
which yields the true glory;
through him who for the finishing of your work
laid down his life, our Redeemer, Jesus Christ.
Amen

Francis Drake 1540-1596

'By your endurance you will gain your souls.' (Luke 21.19)

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