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SUNDAY 26TH APRIL 2026

Readings: **Acts 2 v42-end (page 1094)**

John 10 v1-10 (page 872)

09.30 Holy Communion, Instow

11.00 Holy Communion, Fremington

13.40 Rev Chris. blesses Instow ferries

18.00 Prayer and Praise Service, Fremington

MONDAY 27TH APRIL 2026

09.15 Babies & Toddlers, St Peter's Church Hall, Fremington

10.30 Community 'Drop in', All Saints Chapel, Instow

11.00 Bumps and babies, St Peter's Church Hall, Fremington

13.30 Ministry Team, Rectory

TUESDAY 28TH APRIL 2026

Readings: **Psalm 102 v1-3,16-23**

John 8 v21-30

10.30 Holy Communion, All Saints Chapel, Instow

WEDNESDAY 29TH APRIL 2026

10.00 Holy Communion, Fremington

Readings: **Acts 12 v24-13.5**

John 12 v44-end

THURSDAY 30TH APRIL 2026

14.00 Bell ringing practice, Westleigh

11.30 Funeral of Joyce Bedworth, Fremington

19.30 Home group, Home Farm Road

FRIDAY 1ST MAY 2026

09.00 Assembly, Fremington School

15.00 PCC, Westleigh (date change)

18.00 Spirit and Sound (choir practice), Fremington

SATURDAY 2ND MAY 2026

09.00 Men's Breakfast, St Peter's Church Hall, Fremington

SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2026

Readings: **Acts 7 v55-end, (page 1100)**

John 14 v1-14 (page 1082)

09.30 Holy Communion, Westleigh

10.30 APCM, Westleigh

11.00 'Altogether' service, Fremington

Children, Youth & Families News



Prayer ministry - We are soon hoping to introduce an opportunity to receive personal prayer into all our services - many of you will be familiar with this. If you feel a call to pray for others please contact Rev. James. All those involved will be trained and authorised.

As we near the end of the month, we pray for fresh opportunities to share your love with those around us throughout the next month. We remember the words from Mark 16 v15, "He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."

MISSION COMMUNITY PRAYERS

- During Eastertide, we also pray for:
- The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord
 - God's creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care
 - Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ
 - Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection
 - Prisoners and captives

- This SUNDAY we pray for:**
- The recently bereaved
 - Local undertakers and those supporting the bereaved
 - Rev. Steve Painting and Rev. Brenda Jacobs and their families
 - Deacon Sheralee and the Methodist congregation
 - For the people, especially civilians, caught up in combat around Iran
 - The peoples of Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Iran and Sudan

Please also pray for:
 Bruce Bennett, Jane Lush, Ruth White, Gordon Coulter, Jeanette Brown, the Grigg family, Elaine Ellacott, Rhys Jones

We especially pray for the recently bereaved families of:
 John Allen, Alan Macree, Marion Spencer, Joyce Bedworth



Alun & Debbie Burt newsletter

"Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices. My body also will rest secure, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay." (Psalm 16 v9-10, Acts 2 v26-27)

- Please pray for:**
- The FOCUS student conference in Zimbabwe that Alun and our GWC student Victory Badambira will be attending from the 24-26th April. Pray for fruitful ministry opportunities as we speak to the conference from Jesus's sermon on the mount about 'Kingdom Living'. Pray for a deepening of faith among those who attend, so they can be salt and light as they return to their campuses in the new term.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

With Easter, these now come into view and our preparations begin in earnest. While not the most exciting part of church life, they are legally required. Please note the date and attend a (short) meeting (held immediately after the service, with coffee). As well as voting for Churchwardens and members of the PCC, it's a chance to show appreciation for those who do so much for our churches unseen. We also need to elect (and re-elect) reps to sit on our Deanery Synod (which only meets each term) - the Rural Dean would love your support!

Sunday 3 rd May	10:30am Westleigh
Sunday 10 th May	10.30am Instow
Sunday 17 th May	12.30pm Fremington

Electoral Roll

These will appear in the church porches soon. Please let us know if your name is missing. These rolls DO NOT affect the amount we pay the diocese (Common Fund).

Congratulations to Mark Ansell, who as well as being Treasurer of Westleigh church, is now also High Sheriff of Devon for the next year. Mark was inaugurated in South Molton on Saturday 11th April 2026, shown here with his Chaplain. If you want to know more about the work of High Sheriff, please see highsheriffs.com.



Dates for your diary
<p>Thursday 14th May 2026 Outdoor service for Ascension Day (venue tbc)</p>
<p>Sunday 31st May 2026 Sea Sunday service, Fremington Quay</p>
<p>Friday 19th June – Sunday 21st June 2026 North Devon Music Festival We are inviting local musicians to play and sing in our churches. Presently, we'll release details - in the meantime please keep the dates free, and let others know.</p>
<p>Saturday 27th June 2026 Priesting of Rev. James Moore (Exeter)</p>
<p>Sunday 28th June 2026 Rev. James, first celebration of Holy Communion</p>