

Four Ways Mission Community

St Michael East Buckland, St Paul Landkey, St James Swimbridge with the Church of the Holy Name Gunn, St Peter West Buckland

Sunday 25th October 2026 – *Last Sunday after Trinity*

Our Harvest Season across the Mission Community draws to a close this weekend. Do come along to West Buckland Harvest Family Service at 11.15am this Sunday, if you can. If you would like Harvest Lunch in the village hall it needs to be booked by Friday via Gail Barker. Thanks to all who are providing a delicious hot meal.

I find it such an encouraging blessing to be part of these very special Harvest times and services with our communities. The children from Landkey and Swimbridge Primary Schools have brought such joy and beautifully prepared harvest services into both churches which have been packed with parents, grandparents and carers, too. It's so good to welcome everyone and to see the children feeling at home in their local churches.

Thank you so much to everyone for last Sunday's beautiful harvest service with a wonderful feast of a Harvest Supper in the Jubilee Hall. Thank you to everyone who was part of a fantastic team, providing such delicious home-made food. We are very grateful to Chris for co-ordinating this and providing so much. The Harvest Supper raised an amazing £602.50 which is being put towards the Church Servery Project Fund. The Harvest service collection will be donated to the important work of Farming Network Community charity.



Last week, an exciting development with St Paul's Church Meadow Garden began with initial groundworks to develop the garden for more community use and church events. There is a new path of woodchip kindly donated by ALS Groundworks. The garden work is being funded by the generous fundraising from The Castle Inn this year.

The local community are now being encouraged to be part of Daffodil Bulb planting in the new garden border in front of the church wall. Everyone welcome to come along to collect a pot and daffodil to plant at home and bring back to the church garden in January. Thank you to Valerie and Team for organising and enabling this. It's so good to have the Landkey Primary School and Brownies joining in with this.

With many thanks and prayers for you all. Cathy

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Friday 23rd October

Friday Family Church at St Peter's West Buckland
5-6.30pm – *Remembrance themed craft activities and practicing Harvest Service - with food*

Contemporary worship resumes next month.

Saturday 24th October

11-2pm. St Paul's Church Porch, Landkey
Daffodil bulbs and pots collection- take away and grow at home ready to plant in the church garden in January.

Sunday 25th October

Last Sunday after Trinity
9.30am Holy Communion, Swimbridge
10.30am Holy Communion, Landkey
9.30am Morning Praise, East Buckland
11.15am Harvest Festival Family Service, West Buckland

LECTIONARY READINGS
Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18; 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8; Matthew 22: 34-end

WB HARVEST READING:
2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Mark 4:1-20; 30-32

Collect for last Sunday after Trinity
Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday 1st November – *All Saints Day*
9.30am Holy Communion, Swimbridge
10.30am Morning Praise, Landkey
11.15am Holy Communion, West Buckland

LECTIONARY READINGS
Revelation 7: 9-end; 1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 5: 1-12

HARVEST FESTIVAL FOOD DONATIONS: If you can, please bring food donations to our churches, for those in need. These will be given to our local North Devon Food Banks for distribution. Northern Devon Foodbank | Helping Local People in Crisis Please especially donate these **Urgently Needed items: Tinned vegetables, fish, ham, corned beef, etc, long life fruit juice, dried milk, tinned fruit, tinned or instant custard, sponge puddings, instant coffee, cooking sauces.**