



THE GRAPEVINE

17 August 2025

The Blessed Virgin Mary

W/B 24 August 2025

Trinity 10 St Bartholomew

All Saints', Lower Brixham

9.30am Holy Communion

Tues 26 August 10am Communion by ext.

St Mary's, Higher Brixham

8.45am Holy Communion

11am Morning Worship

Mon 25 August 9am Morning Prayer

Wed 27 August 10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary the Virgin, Churston

10am Family Worship* *details on reverse*

St Thomas of Canterbury, Kingswear

10.30am Holy Communion

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Galmpton

8.45am Holy Communion



PRAYER FOR THE SICK

May God surround all who are sick in mind, body, or spirit with His healing love.

ALL SAINTS' LOWER BRIXHAM

Mary Eveleigh, Clarice Westlake, Chris Chinnery, Christine Watt, Jayne Carter

ST MARY'S CHURSTON

Eric Smith, Peter Grantham, Jo & David Lambert, Vikki Sheen, Derek Brown, Wendy Tonkin, Gay Brooke, Jamie, Diane Lord-Lear

ST MARY'S HIGHER BRIXHAM

Victoria Green, Gordon Smith, Graham Ward, Helen Kelly and her daughter Sarah, the Watson family, Ivor John, Steve Clutterbuck, Robin Hale, Paul Stamp, Paul Oxenbury, Joshua Jackson, Judy Jolly

ST THOMAS, KINGSWEAR

Marcia Abdilla, Hayley Radford and family

THE DECEASED

Collect

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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.

First reading: Isaiah 61.10-end

Second reading: Galatians 4.4-7

Gospel: Luke 1.46-55

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Post Communion

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Please pray today especially for Adaline, to be baptised today at St Mary's Higher Brixham during their Patronal Festival Eucharist, and for her mother Gabriella.

Readings for Sunday 24 August
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity St Bartholomew

First reading: Isaiah 43.8-13

Second reading: Acts 5.12-16



***Further information on Sunday 24th August**
10.00am at Churston: a short informal outdoor service in the churchyard featuring *Odds 'n Ends* Jazz Band who will accompany the singing and play after the service while everyone can enjoy coffee, cake and friendship.

Galmpton Barn Art Group
14th Annual Exhibition of Art

Saturday 16 to Monday 25 August
in the Barn Hall open daily 10.00am – 5.00pm
except **Monday 25th** when it will close at 4pm.
Paintings and cards for sale. A donation will be made to church funds. **All welcome.**

SUPPORT UKRAINIAN ACTION

See August issue of *Moving Forward Together*, page 5, for information about *Ukrainian Action*.

Saturday 23 August

2.00pm at the Conservative Club A different type of **AUCTION**: donate valuable items and specify which Brixham charity you want the proceeds to go to. Bring items for Auction to the club **Friday 22 August 12 noon-4.00pm** or **Saturday 23 August 10.30am-1.00pm.**

7.30pm at the Conservative Club Quiz Night
Maximum 5 per team, £3 per person. (Arranged by Brixham RBL in support of *Ukrainian Action*)

Future RBL events to support Ukrainian Action:
Saturday 20 September 7.30pm Quiz Night at the Conservative Club – details as above.

Churston Agatha Christie festival
17- 20 September

The church will be open each day from 10.00am. Please come in and walk around and experience the place where Agatha Christie worshipped when she was on holiday in Devon.

Refreshments will be available

17 September 11.00am Agatha Christie Talk

19 September 10.30am The Galliard Recorder Group will be playing in the church.

20 September 6.00pm Variety Show in the church. Come and enjoy an evening celebrating the varied talents in our local community. Refreshments in the interval.

Contact details for our resident poet, Stephen Bellows (see August MFT page 21)

If you are interested in taking up Stephen's invitation to join him in 'something to do with poetry' Stephen's number is 0786 484116. Stephen says 'as I am hearing impaired I generally ask people to text in the first instance, or email stephen.bellows@icloud.com'.



BMC CLERGY

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Rev'd Philippa's day off is Friday. Please respect this. If you have an urgent problem on a Friday, please contact your warden or representative.

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From Gary Lewis's address at the Kingswear Hiroshima memorial 6 August

'A prayer for Hiroshima, the Far East POWs and my family's witness to Peace:

O God of mercy, we come with hearts bowed in remembrance for Hiroshima, where the sky fell in flame, and for those whose lives were turned to ash in an instant.

.....'For the dead who cannot speak, for the living who still remember; for the families shaped by sorrow and resilience, we ask for your Grace'.

Full address will be published in September MFT.