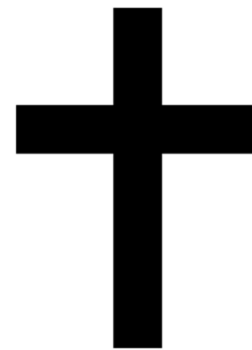


HOLSWORTHY MISSION COMMUNITY NEWS



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WANTED: A NEW DEANERY TREASURER

For a number of years, we have been blessed as a Deanery in having the services of Letitia Yetman as our Deanery Treasurer – it is a demanding task and Letitia has worked tirelessly to improve our financial affairs to the point where we are among the top Deaneries in the Diocese for achieving our Parish Share contributions – both in full and on time.

Letitia will be retiring from her role in the next few months and we are in search of a replacement.

If you feel that God may be calling you to this role and you would like further information, please contact the Editor who can send you a full list of the duties and responsibilities of the Deanery Treasurer.

It would be good to find someone as soon as possible and, of course, Letitia will be available to advise and help the new Treasurer.

A NEW PRIEST

On Monday 6th November 2017, the Rev'd. Elizabeth Mary Ann Burke was licensed and installed as the new Priest in Charge of the Holsworthy United Benefice by the Right Reverend Dame Sarah Mullally, Bishop of Crediton and the Venerable Dr Mark Butchers, Archdeacon of Barnstaple. It was a wonderful service greatly enjoyed by the huge congregation who attended – very many thanks to the people of Holsworthy Benefice for their generous hospitality and a very warm welcome to Elizabeth as she begins her ministry among us.



AROUND THE BENEFICES: HOLSWORTHY:

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT: featuring the **Derriton Singers** at **St Swithun's Church, Pyworthy** at **7.30pm** on Friday **December 15th**
Proceeds to Children's Hospice South West Everyone welcome

WEEKDAY COMMUNION AND ADVENT COURSE: Starting on **Friday 1st December**, there will be a said Holy Communion service **11.00 am** at **St Peter & St Paul, Holsworthy**. Throughout Advent, this will be followed by refreshments and the Advent course. All are welcome.

LIGHT UP A LIFE: service on **Saturday 9th December, 7.00 pm**, at **Bodmin Street Chapel** in Holsworthy. Everyone welcome.

CRIB SERVICE: at **St Swithun's Church Pyworthy, 11.00 am**, Sunday **24th December**. Everyone welcome.

CAROLS ROUND THE TREE: in **Holsworthy Square, 4.00 pm**, Sunday **24th December**. Everyone welcome.

CHANGES TO SERVICES IN THE MISSION COMMUNITY IN DECEMBER:

Due to the many changes to the normal patterns of worship around the Mission Community, please see separate pages for these.

Shout out to all Knitters!

Are you looking for something to occupy your hands now that the dark nights have settled in? More children's hats, jumpers and cardigans are urgently needed please! Tiny to age 9 or so. Can you help? Do you have friends who knit? HATW works currently in Africa and India and strives for happy, healthy children who are safe, cared for, listened to, well fed, clothed, housed and in school. More than 2000 children benefit every day, many are orphans and coping with disabilities. Happily, the lives of many others too have been transformed through our involvement over the last 18 years. There are at least 25 million orphaned children in Africa today. Most are victims of HIV / AIDS.

I am happy to receive any completed items and forward on to HATW Charity.

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ASHWATER:

15th December 2017 Holsworthy Livestock Market Carols in the Dairy ring at **7.30pm**

18th December Hunt Carol Service for the South Tetcott at Tetcott Church **7pm**

BRADWORTHY:

Saturday 25th November: Sutcombe Coffee Morning from **10.30am**

Saturday 25th November Bradworthy Christmas Fayre in Bradworthy Church **from 2.30pm**. All Welcome

Sunday 26th November Sung Eucharist at **Bulkworthy** with **Archdeacon Mark** at **11.15am**

Saturday 2nd December Bradworthy Square – Christmas Lights are turned on at 4.30pm

Carols around the Christmas Tree (with a very special Christmas guest Ho! Ho! Ho!) at **6.00pm** on **17th December**. All Welcome.

BLACK TORRINGTON:

Friday 1st December 10.00 am - 12noon Cake and Coffee at **Black Torrington Chapel**

Saturday 9th December 10.00 am Saturday Church at **Bradford Village Hall. The "Scratch" Nativity** featuring...you as your favourite character! Come along ready-dressed, or take pot luck from our store! We have Christmas refreshments to share.

Monday 11th December 10.00 am School Carol Service at Bradford Church and **2.30 pm School Carol Service at Black Torrington Church**

Wednesday 13th December 2.00 pm School Carol Service at Highampton Church

THE FOLLOWING APPEARED IN CHURCH MAGAZINES!

The Fasting & Prayer Conference will include meals.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'Hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.