

# HOLSWORTHY MISSION COMMUNITY NEWS

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## **AROUND THE BENEFICES:**

### **ASHWATER:**

**11<sup>th</sup> May at Ashwater Church**, the Devon Association of Bell Ringers Miners Competition. Tea £5 in the hall.

**11<sup>th</sup> May in Clawton Parish Hall** a Big Breakfast is available from 9-11.30am

**12<sup>th</sup> May at Halwill Church**, the Rededication of Halwill works to the tower at 3pm with Bishop Jackie of Crediton followed by tea in the Parish Hall.

**15<sup>th</sup> May Holsworthy Deanery Archdeacon's Court of Visitation at Ashwater Church**, signing in for Church Wardens from 6-30pm, service at 7-30pm, Teas and Coffees available. All Church Wardens are required to attend as are all Church Officers!

**26<sup>th</sup> May on Ashwater Green** Farewell Service to Rev. Jane followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. This is an open invitation for all to come.

### **BLACK TORRINGTON:**

**1<sup>st</sup> May 3.00pm - 5.00pm Tea Afternoon at Black Torrington Church** in aid of the Flower Festival

**3<sup>rd</sup> May 10.00am - 12noon** Cake and Coffee Black Torrington Chapel

**11<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am** Saturday Church in Bradford Village Hall

**18<sup>th</sup> May 10.30am - 12noon** Coffee Morning in Thornbury Church in aid of Thornbury Church: 2.00pm Plant and Bake Sale in Bradford Village Hall in aid of Motor Neurone Disease, Madewell at Hatherleigh and Bradford Church Bells

**25<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am - 12noon** Table Top Sale in Black Torrington Village Hall. Many stalls including a Benefice Cake Stall, bacon and egg rolls, tea and coffee

**31<sup>st</sup> May 11.00am - 7.00pm** Flower Festival in Black Torrington Church

**1<sup>st</sup> June 11.00am - 7.00pm** "Songs from the Shows"

**2<sup>nd</sup> June 11.00am - 6.00pm** Free admission - donations welcome

**6.30pm Flower Festival Songs of Praise** in Black Torrington Church to be followed with Cheese and Wine at The Larches, to say farewell to **Mark and Rose Neave**

**3<sup>rd</sup> June 11.00am - 5.00pm** Refreshments throughout the day, tea, coffee, Ploughman's lunch, cakes and cream teas

### **BRADWORTHY:**

**14<sup>th</sup> May: Bradworthy Church** Coffee Morning and Jumble Sale

**18<sup>th</sup> May: Bradworthy Church** - A Concert with 'Splash of Red' (a Ladies Choir from Fairford, Gloucestershire) and the Torridge Male Voice Choir - 7.30pm Adults £5 Children free.

**26<sup>th</sup> May Rogation Sunday** - United Benefice Service - Venue to be confirmed. Please contact Richard for more information 01409 241315

### **HOLSWORTHY:**

**28<sup>th</sup> April: St Peter's & St Paul's Church,** Holsworthy, 7.00pm, Arscott Ladies Choir and Sankey evening. Tickets: £5.00 (£3.00 children) to include supper, from H Prouse (07970447558), The Rydon Inn, or at the door (pre-booking advised)

**Fridays 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, May: St Peter's & St Paul's Church,** Holsworthy, 10.00am, Said Holy Communion, 10 30 am, Café for All

**22<sup>nd</sup> May: Holsworthy Primary School,** 3.00pm - 4.30pm Messy Church. All children and their carers welcome.

**26<sup>th</sup> May 2019: Bridgerule Village Hall,** 12.30 for 1.00pm, St. Bridget's Church Spring Lunch. Tickets £10 from Mrs C Harris, 01288 381329

## **The Funny Side**

### **What Price a Sermon?**

One Easter Sunday the Reverend Jones announced to his congregation, 'My good people, I have here in my hands three sermons.....

A £100 sermon that lasts five minutes; a £50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes and a £20 sermon that lasts a full hour. Now, we'll take the collection and see which one I'll deliver.'

### **A Prayer for Easter Sunday**

Young Ernie and his family were invited to have Easter Sunday lunch at his grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Ernie received his plate, he started eating straight away.

'Ernie, wait until we say grace,' demanded his father.

'I don't have to,' the five-year-old replied.

'Of course you do, Ernest,' his mother insisted rather forcefully. 'We always say a prayer before eating at our house.'

'That's at our house,' Ernie explained, 'but this is Grandma's house, and she knows how to cook.'