

Gospel

Luke 18:31-34

Jesus Again Predicts His Death

³¹Taking the twelve disciples aside, Jesus said, "Listen, we're going up to Jerusalem, where all the predictions of the prophets concerning the Son of Man will come true. ³²He will be handed over to the Romans, and he will be mocked, treated shamefully, and spit upon. ³³They will flog him with a whip and kill him, but on the third day he will rise again."

³⁴But they didn't understand any of this. The significance of his words was hidden from them, and they failed to grasp what he was talking about.

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To Think About

When the mind is consumed with
Remembrance of
Him

Something divine happens to the
Heart

That
Shapes the hand and tongue
And eye into

The word

Love

(Hafiz)



A Prayer for our Benefice and Mission Community

Holy God, whose presence is known in the structures we build,
and also in their collapse;
establish in us a community of hope,
not to contain your mystery,
but to be led beyond security into your sacred space,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Christian Love in Action

7th April 2019

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Welcome to Worship

10.30 am

Holy Communion, All Saints', Bradford

6.30 pm

Iona Holy Communion, St Mary's, Black Torrington



Readings

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Luke 18: 31-34

Collect

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

"Be alert, be present. I'm about to do something brand-new.
It's bursting out! Don't you see it?"

Isaiah 43: 19a

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:



The Mission Community: Revd Jane Lucas in her role as Rural Dean, and as she prepares for her retirement.

Black Torrington Electoral Roll: Sue Brice, Cyd Churchill, Mark and Snezzy Floyer, Margaret Grabham, Sheila Grabham.

Those who are ill: Iona Barrance, Joan Thomas, Margaret Grabham and all who love and care for them.

Our Benefice Primary Schools as they begin their Easter holidays, giving thanks for the success of the combined service last Wednesday.

Burdon Grange: for all who live and work there and their families and friends.

The Appointment of a Families and Children's Worker to our Mission Community

April Diary

Mon 10th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer , St Mary's, Black Torrington
Tues 9th	8.00 am	Prayer Breakfast , The Rectory, Black Torrington
Wed 10th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer , St Mary's, Black Torrington
Thurs 11th	8.15 am	Morning and Silent Prayer , followed by
	9.00 am	Iona Holy Communion , All Saints', Bradford
	7.00 pm	Ladies Supper , Half Moon, Sheepwash
Sat 13th	10.00 am	Benefice Saturday Church , followed by
		Iona Holy Communion , Village Hall, Bradford
Sun 14th	10.30 am	Holy Communion, Palm Sunday , St Mary's, Black Torrington
	2.00 pm	Baptism , Holy Cross, Highampton

Afternoon Cream Tea

Wednesday 1st May, 3:00pm - 5:00pm at St. Mary's Church
Serving Devon Cream Tea and Homemade Cakes

This event is a 'by donation' fundraiser for
St. Mary's Church Flower Festival
on 31st May, 1st, 2nd and 3rd June, 2019

Join us for our special Holy Communion Service
as we celebrate Kathy's ministry on
Sunday 28th April 2019, 11.00 am
At St Mary's Church, Black Torrington
to be followed by lunch
at Bradford & Cookbury Village Hall



Families' and Children's' Worker

The Diocese has agreed to contribute to the cost of the Families and Children's Worker for our Mission Community by contributing £30k over the first three years, but only if we can commit to sourcing the rest of the funding and paying our Common Fund in full. Please pray as we look for ways to do this, and for the right person to come forward to take up this vital post.

Israel In Egypt



Bude Choral Society with Launceston Choral Society are performing Handel's 'Israel in Egypt' (words from Exodus) in Bude Methodist Church on Sunday 7th April at 7.30
Tickets from David Fisher 01409 253137

Saturday Church

Palm Sunday—The King who rode a donkey!



13th April at 10.00 am, at the Village Hall, Bradford, followed by a short informal service of Holy Communion
Please join us for stories, crafts, songs and nice things to eat!
Everyone, young or old, warmly welcomed!

Uganda Fund Raising

I will be attempting to swim 2 miles at Ruby Oak Park swimming pool on **Wednesday 10th April**, in order to raise funds for a trip to Uganda later this year.

If anyone would like to sponsor me please call 01409 261312 or email me at Laura@kingsfordfarm.plus.com.
Please pop along to Ruby Oak on Wednesday if you have time, and give me a wave! I am aiming to start at 4.15 pm.
Many thanks - Laura Priest