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Dear Parishioners,

I hope you are well.

Please see enclosed **readings for this Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July**, the fourth Sunday after Trinity, with **reflection by Reader Tessa Amies**.

Please also see enclosed copies of **readings from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July**.

**Sunday Worship** is broadcast each Sunday **On BBC Radio 4** (92-95 FM, 103-105 FM) from **8.10am to 8.58am**.

**On BBC1** on the television **this Sunday at 1.15pm**, Katherine Jenkins is in London to pay tribute to all carers on the front line for **Songs of Praise 'Celebrating Florence Nightingale and the NHS'**. Katherine learns about the extraordinary legacy of Florence Nightingale, born 200 years ago this year. She also meets the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, who has been volunteering as a Chaplain at St Thomas' during lockdown. With hymns and songs from across the UK recorded before lockdown.

**BBC Radio 4** (92-95 FM, 103-105 FM) includes the following **daily** broadcasts from **5.43am to 5.45am**:

Monday to Saturday	– 'Prayer for the Day'
Sundays	– 'Bells on Sunday'

This Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 'Bells on Sunday' comes from The Parish Church of Our Lady and St Nicholas, Pier Head in Liverpool.

For those with Internet access, the Diocese of Exeter will be live-streaming a special service '**A celebration of the NHS**' at **10am this Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July** to mark the anniversary of the NHS which was founded on 5<sup>th</sup> July 1948. It will be led by the Bishop of Crediton, the Right Rev'd Jackie Searle. To view this service please go to the following web page just before 10am on Sunday:  
[www.youtube.com/user/CofEDevon/videos](http://www.youtube.com/user/CofEDevon/videos)

At **11am each day**, a short reflection called '**Pause and Pray**' is also broadcast on this Church of England Devon You-tube channel: [www.youtube.com/user/CofEDevon/videos](http://www.youtube.com/user/CofEDevon/videos)

The government recently announced that **from 4<sup>th</sup> July church buildings can re-open for services**. Those with internet access can view the **Bishop of London's statement** on this web page: [www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/news/reopening-church-buildings-public-worship](http://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/news/reopening-church-buildings-public-worship)

The statement includes:

*"There will still be restrictions and we must all still do everything we can to limit the spread of the virus to protect each other, especially the most vulnerable. The online services and dial-in worship offerings we have become used to will continue".*



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*"Detailed advice for parishes and cathedrals is available on the Church of England website: [www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches](http://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches) . It will be updated, as necessary, in the coming days to reflect the detail of the Government guidance once published."*

*"Weddings will be able to resume, along with other services. Updated advice for couples will be published as part of the updates mentioned above. The Church of England Recovery Group will also issue advice on subjects including singing and music for which a review by Public Health England is currently in progress."*

Although our churches remain temporarily closed for public services this week, **our churches are open for private prayer on the following days and times:**

**St John the Baptist Church** in Woodland is **open daily, 9am to 5pm**

**The Church of St Mary the Virgin** in Denbury is **open daily, 10am to 6pm.**

**St Andrew's Church** in Ipplepen is **open daily, 9am to 5pm.**

**St Peter & St Paul's Church** in Broadhempston is **open on Sundays and Wednesdays, 9am to 4pm.**

St Peter & St Paul's church, looks forward to soon holding **Broadhempston's first wedding since the lockdown.** This will be taking place on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July** with a restricted number of guests in line with the current guidance. Please note that **access to St Peter & St Paul's church for private prayer is on Sundays and Wednesdays** and therefore access will be need to remain restricted on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July due to limitations on numbers of people in the church at any time and due to necessary cleaning before and following the wedding ceremony.

Please note that a private funeral, with a restricted number of people attending, is due to be held in St Andrew's Church, Ipplepen, on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 11am** so **St Andrew's will not be open for private prayer at that time.**

We are currently looking at how we can best live-stream to 'You-tube' our church services (or record and upload the recording to You-tube shortly after the service) **for those people that will continue to shield at home once our church services begin to resume in our church buildings.** If you know of any willing volunteers that may like to help with recording these church services then please let Reverend Andrew Down know by telephoning him on (01803) 813403.

If you would like to **contact a Church Warden** regarding church matters then please contact Jane Outhwaite (01803) 812879.

**For priestly matters** please contact Reverend Andrew down on (01803) 813403.

Best wishes

Caren Martin  
PA to the Rector

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