



## Notices

**Services:** We are starting our **midweek communion services** again in October. These will be held weekly on Tuesdays at 10am in Ipplepen and Thursdays at 10am in Denbury. From Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October, **Morning Prayer** will be changed to 9am in Woodland on Mondays and 9am in Ipplepen on Tuesdays to fit better with the 10am midweek communion service on Tuesdays in Ipplepen.

**Harvest Festivals** will be taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> October focusing on creation and our care of it.

- Professor David Griggs will be speaking at Denbury and Ipplepen on Sustainable Development bringing to us his global experience in this important area.
- 'B-Wild', a local initiative set up to promote biodiversity in the village of Broadhempston, will be speaking there.
- Farming will be our focus in Woodland.

Looking ahead on 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, we are focusing on **gifts and stewardship** with Stephen Mitchell, the Diocesan Mission Resources Advisor

As we celebrate St Luke's Feast day (18<sup>th</sup> Oct) during the week that follows we are holding a **Taize Service** focusing on healing with Dr Tom Morris give a reflection on his work during the current crisis. This is being held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 6pm at St Andrew's Ipplepen.

**Meetings:** APCM meetings are currently taking place.

**Social and community events:** St Andrew's Church Hall is now open again.

**Coronavirus:** We continue to wear masks, social distance and wash and sanitise hands. The specific restrictions for occasional offices continue to apply e.g. limited to 30 people for funerals and now 15 people for Weddings.

**Diocese/Deanery:** Our Deanery is growing to include some of Morton Deanery – formal consultation will be happening soon.

**For prayer:** Those recently ordained to serve as Deacons and Priests. Our APCM meetings.

**The Beacon:** The new issue of the Beacon is available today take one for yourself and one for a neighbour.

## Readings

### This week (St Francis) Next week

Readings for this Sunday:	First Reading	Micah 6: 6-8	Isaiah 25:1-9
	Psalm	100:1-3	23
	Second Reading	Galatians 6:14-18	Philippians 4:1-9
	Gospel	Luke 12:22-34	Matthew 22:1-4
<b>Readings for the week ahead:</b>	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 10:25-37	
	Tue 6 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 10:38-End	
	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 11:1-4	
	Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 11:5-13	
	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 11:15-26	
	Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 11:27-28	

They can also be viewed/downloaded from <https://bible.oremus.org/>

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## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## Feast of St Francis of Assisi

### Weekly Morning Prayer

Mon	9.00am	- Woodland
Tues	9.00am	- Ipplepen
Wed	9.00am	- Broadhempston
Thurs	9.00am	- Denbury

### Services and Diary Dates

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30am	Holy Communion (St Francis)	- Denbury
	11.00am	Holy Communion (St Francis)	- Ipplepen
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00am	Holy Communion	- Ipplepen
Thu 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00am	Holy Communion	- Denbury
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	12.00pm	Interment of Ashes of Mr Ivor James House	- Denbury Churchyard
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30am	Harvest Festival	- Woodland
	9.30am	Harvest Festival	- Denbury
	11.00am	Harvest Communion	- Broadhempston
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	- Ipplepen (Field)
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7.00pm	APCM	- Ipplepen
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00am	Holy Communion	- Ipplepen
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7.00pm	APCM & PCC meeting	- Broadhempston
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00am	Holy Communion	- Denbury
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00am	Gift Day	- Ipplepen
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30am	Harvest Communion (St Luke)	- Denbury
	11.00am	Harvest Communion (St Luke)	- Ipplepen
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	6.00pm	Taize Service	- Ipplepen

From 5<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October at Morning Prayer, we will be using a resource written for Harvest:  
[www.parishresources.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/COFE\\_02945\\_MorningPrayer\\_Harvest.docx](http://www.parishresources.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/COFE_02945_MorningPrayer_Harvest.docx)  
Please download this to your phone to join in.

## Andrew's Thoughts

**I need your help.** We have a wonderful opportunity to access some new **training and resources** the diocese is developing to support all of us as we all grow in our callings and ministry. These are called **GROW** and are a series of training courses covering many aspects of church life and giving you opportunity to receive training and support and meet people in similar roles in other churches. The Diocese are rolling out a series of training courses over the next 12-18 months starting with Pastoral Care, Leading Worship, Small Group Leadership and Administration this autumn. In 2021 there will be courses on preaching, children's and youth work, pioneering, stewardship [ and fundraising and lots more. If you're interested please visit the diocese of Exeter's grow – learn page at [www.exeter.anglican.org/lay-learning](http://www.exeter.anglican.org/lay-learning)

Can you please consider this first of all for yourselves and secondly pray about who you might prompt and invite to think about accessing these.

**Christmas box appeal 2020:** Everyone loves to receive a present at Christmas but for many vulnerable children and families in South east Europe Christmas servers as a reminder of isolation and poverty. We are joining the Foundation for Social Change and Inclusion 2020 she box appeal.

**Leaflets available now.** A service for collecting the boxes is being planned for early November at St Andrews more details to follow.



## Reflection by Rev'd Andrew Down

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### FRANCIS OF ASSISI, FRIAR, DEACON, FOUNDER OF FRIARS MINOR, 1226

#### HIS LIFE

Francis was born in Assisi in central Italy either in 1181 or the following year. He was baptised Giovanni but given the name Francesco by his father, a cloth merchant who traded in France and had married a French wife. There was an expectation that he would eventually take over his father's business but Francis had a rebellious youth and a difficult relationship with his father. After suffering the ignominy of imprisonment following capture whilst at war with the local city of Perugia, he returned a changed man. He took to caring for disused churches and for the poor, particularly those suffering from leprosy. Whilst praying in the semi-derelict church of St Damian, he distinctly heard the words: Go and repair my house, which you see is falling down. Others joined him and he prepared a simple, gospel-based rule for them all to live by. As the Order grew, it witnessed to Christ through proclaiming the gospel of repentance and emphasising the poverty of Christ as an example for his followers. Two years before his death, his life being so closely linked with that of his crucified saviour, he received the Stigmata, the marks of the wounds of Christ, on his body. By his death, on the evening of 3 October 1226, his Order had spread throughout western Christendom.

#### A SAINT FOR OUR TIME:

Little Francis, humble and meek who cared for ruined churches, preached to birds as well as people, loved the poor, stood up to power, loved the church and was open to other faiths, was a poet, mystic and labourer, saw the connectedness in all living things, delighted in living simply.

#### CANTICLE OF THE CREATURES

Most High, all-powerful, good Lord,  
Yours are the praises, the glory, and the honour, and all blessing.  
To you alone, Most High, do they belong,  
and no human is worthy to mention your name.

Praised be you, my Lord, with all your creatures,  
especially Sir Brother Sun,  
Who is the day and through whom you give us light.  
And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendour;  
and bears a likeness of you, Most High One.

Praised be you, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars,  
in heaven you formed them clear and precious and beautiful.

Praised be you, my Lord, through Brother Wind,  
and through the air, cloudy and serene, and every kind of weather,  
through whom you give sustenance to your creatures.

Praised be you, my Lord, through Sister Water,  
who is very useful and humble and precious and chaste.

Praised be you, my Lord, through Brother Fire,  
through whom you light the night,  
and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.

Praised be you, my Lord, through our sister Mother Earth,  
who sustains and governs us,  
and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs.

Praised be you, my Lord, through those who give pardon for your  
love, and bear infirmity and tribulation.  
Blessed are those who endure in peace  
for by you, Most High, shall they be crowned.

Praised be you, my Lord, through our sister Bodily Death,  
from whom no one living can escape.  
Woe to those who die in mortal sin.  
Blessed are those whom death will find in your most holy will,  
for the second death shall do them no harm.

Praise and bless my Lord and give him thanks  
and serve him with great humility

