



## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## All Saints and All Souls

**Points of Prayer:** We pray for those everyday saints who are witnesses to God's love in their service to the poor and needy and for those who minister to the sick, the dying and the bereaved.

**Cream Tea Concert featuring the award-winning Folk Musician Jim Causley** at St Mary the Virgin, Denbury, is this Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm (Please note new earlier start time). For tickets and more information please contact Rachel 07751 804 007 / [rachelbelringer@gmail.com](mailto:rachelbelringer@gmail.com)

**Celebrating our Gifts, the small group sessions.** We will meet this Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 7pm at St Andrew's Church, Ipplepen when the topic will be 'The Role of Music and Song'. Please see the poster on our website [www.missioncommunity.org.uk/](http://www.missioncommunity.org.uk/) or contact the Church Office for more details.

**Bellringing practice has resumed in Broadhempston** on Mondays at 7.30pm.

**Bellringing practice has resumed in Denbury.** Bellringing is now on Wednesdays from 7pm -8pm.

**The dedication service of shoeboxes will be on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm at The Methodist Church** and all are welcome. the Beacon Parishes Churches and Ipplepen Methodist Church are supporting the Christmas shoebox appeal for FSCI. Boxes will go to vulnerable and needy children and adults in Southeast Europe. We would like to encourage as many people as possible to join in and spread a little Christmas joy. Leaflets explaining how to take part are available at the Beacon Parishes Churches and The Ipplepen Hub/Ipplepen Methodist Church (or can be downloaded from [www.fscinet.org](http://www.fscinet.org) ). If you have any spare shoe boxes, please help to keep a few spare shoe boxes near the leaflets.

**On Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 7.00pm at St. Andrews Church Ipplepen, The War Graves Commission and the Royal British Legion are both giving a talk.** Mark Bailey is the speaker for CWGC and his talk will cover The history of the CWGC and its work today. It will be interesting to all ages. Coffee and cake will be served. Entry £2.50 per person.

**A big thank you to everyone who helped in the preparation for Alana Levandoski's concert last Saturday.** It was a great concert and such a privilege for our small community to host such an international artist.

Readings	This week	Next week
<b>Readings for this Sunday:</b>	1st Reading Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18	Job 19:23-27a
	Psalm 149	17:1-9
	2nd Reading Ephesians 1:11-End	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-End
	Gospel Luke 6:20-31	Luke 20:27-38
<b>Readings for the week ahead:</b>		
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>	Luke 14:12-14	Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Luke 15:1-10
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup>	Luke 14:15-24	Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Luke 16:1-8
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Luke 14:25-33	Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Luke 16:9-15

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

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### Today - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October

10.00 am	Mission Community Service for All Saints	- Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston
2.00 pm	'Cream Tea Concert' with Jim Causley	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury
6.00 pm	Mission Community Service for All Souls	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen

### Morning Prayer

This week morning prayer will be said at the following times:

Tuesday	9.15 am	- St Andrew's Ipplepen
Wednesday	9.15 am	- Online Via Zoom (for the zoom password email <a href="mailto:rev.andrewdown@gmail.com">rev.andrewdown@gmail.com</a> )
Thursday	9.15 am	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury
Friday	9.15 am	- Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston (A time of silent prayer and meditation)

### Reflection

All our churches are open for private prayer and reflection throughout the week from approximately 9am to 5pm each day.

### Mid-Week

Rev'd Andrew Down - Day off on Mondays.

Monday	3pm-5pm	T-Pot	- Church Cottage, Denbury
	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice	- Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston
Tuesday	10.15 am	Holy Communion	- St Andrew's Ipplepen
	1.00 pm	Funeral and Burial Service of Margaret 'Jean' Harvey	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
	7 pm	Group Session: The Role of Music and Song	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
Wednesday	12 noon	Churches Together - Lunch Club	- St Andrew's Church Hall, Ipplepen
	7.00 pm	Bellringing Practice	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury
	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
Thursday	10.15 am	Holy Communion	- <b>Church Cottage, Denbury</b>
	4.30-5.30pm	Sta*x Youth Choir Practice	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
Saturday	10am-12	Coffee Morning	- The Parish Rooms, Woodland

### Next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – Third Sunday before Advent

9.30 am	Holy Communion	- St John the Baptist, Woodland
9.30 am	Celtic Morning Prayer	- <b>Church Cottage, Denbury</b>
11.00 am	Holy Communion with Children's Activities	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
4.30 pm	Come Holy Spirit: An Informal Reflective Service	- St Andrew's Church Hall, Ipplepen

**In Memory:** Kay Simmonds, Pamela Langworthy, Kathleen Woodier, Marie Pook, Margaret 'Jean' Harvey, John Ducker and Diana Hunt.



## Reflection by Rev'd Anne Burden

Luke 6:20-31  
All Saints and All Souls  
30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### All Saints Sunday 2022

The nights are drawing in - the wind is dragging the beautiful leaves of autumn to the ground leaving bare winter trees - the clocks have gone back and the darkness builds around us. These are obvious signs of the year passing - and yet I am always surprised when, suddenly, All Saints Sunday is here. Then when it comes, someone it seems, puts their foot on the accelerator - and All Souls and Remembrance Sunday rush into Advent and the crazily wonderful season of Christmas. Another year has passed in the life of the Church and the World - and All Saints Sunday can be thought of as the trigger point of this concluding season. But All Saints isn't a one-day celebration leading to other special events in the life of the Church as we approach Advent and Christmas. It's a festival which brings the long "green" season of Trinity to a conclusion and launches us into another season which bridges the path to Advent. We call it the Kingdom season. It's a season which directs our thoughts to the final phrases of the creed - 'the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins and the life of the world to come'.

Yet, All Saints Sunday often has a focus on the individual saints - those in every age who have lived virtuous and godly lives and whose example inspires us today. These are the "big name" saints - from the Bible and the years of history of the Christian Church. We probably all have our favourite saints - and as we thank God for

them, we wish we could emulate them. But there are so many others who live brave and saintly lives. We may never know their names, but we admire their deeds, their commitment and their sacrifice. They can inspire us to greater things perhaps - and encourage us to show a glimpse of the love which comes from God and makes the world a better place. Unfortunately, they can also show us how far we fall from our ideals - show us our weakness and frailty, our selfishness and sinfulness. Far from encouraging us, they can put us in touch with our inadequacy and the fact that we are just frail human beings. As we move towards Advent we have to face this reality - and the awareness that it is only God who can give us the love and strength we need to grow more into his image and to take our place in the communion of saints.

Can I suggest, then - that as well as trying to follow the examples of the heroes of our faith - we see them as part of God's kingdom - part of the 'clouds of witnesses' - part of the communion of saints. The saints - known and unknown - are the real men and women of every age in whose lives we can glimpse heaven in our midst. They are here among us today taking their place as members of God's kingdom 'on earth as it is in heaven'. God lives in them and has his being in the way they live their lives. They are not perfect but 'work in progress' - striving and failing, and filled with God's grace and love, continuing to build the Kingdom. God is already at work amongst us - yet we don't always notice this - and may miss the chance of joining the communion of saints from our position here on earth.

So through this season of All Saints - as we celebrate the Sundays of the Kingdom - let's strive to notice the signs of God active in the saints in our midst - and join in the building of his Kingdom here and now, and as a preparation for the life of the world to come.