It's Amazing!

GRACE



Welcome! Sunday 7 July 24

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Welcome! Join us in church or online	
www.youtube.com/@stmatthiaschurchtorquay6827/streams	
The church is usually open on Wednesdays from 12-2pm for visitors	
or for personal prayer	
Sun 7 July	8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	9.30am Explore Together with breakfast!
	10.30am Gather to Pray
	11am Holy Communion followed by tea/coffee
Mon 8 July	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom - details below
Tues 9 July	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom – details below
	9-11.30am Toddlers
	No Knits this week
Wed 10 July	9am Holy Communion
	10am – 12 noon Ukraine support group in the church
	12-2pm 'Welcome Space' join us for soup, coffee and a chat
Thurs 11 July	12 noon Memorial Service Anthony 'Jim' Rawson
Fri 12 July	9.30-11.30am Mummy & Me
	6.30-8pm Youth Club
Sat 13 July	10-12 noon Coffee Box on Piazza
Sun 14 July	8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	9.30am Explore Together
	10.30am Gather to Pray
	11am Morning Worship followed by tea/coffee
	5.30pm Time of Prayer

Collect Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen**

Thanks go to:

A big thank you and well done for all involved in the organisation of the Summer Fun Day - especially Superchef Al who was busy with the BBQ for a long time. A lovely time was had by all. Thank you

Readings

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know – God knows. ³ And I know that this man – whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows – ⁴ was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. ⁵ I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. ⁶ Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, ⁷ or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. ⁹ But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. ¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Mark 6:1-13

Jesus left there and went to his home town, accompanied by his disciples. ² When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

'Where did this man get these things?' they asked. 'What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? ³ Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him.

⁴ Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is not without honour except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.' ⁵ He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few people who were ill and heal them. ⁶ He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. ⁷ Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. ⁸ These were his instructions: 'Take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. ⁹ Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. ¹⁰ Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. ¹¹ And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.'

¹² They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³ They drove out many demons and anointed with oil many people who were ill and healed them.

Dates for the diary

Friends of St Matthias We still have a few tickets if you'd like to join us for the Friends' theatre trip on Monday 8th July. 'Taking Steps' by Alan Ayckbourn is said to be one of his funniest plays. Come along and judge for yourself! Speak to us after the service - or call me on 07305 681522 Rob Newman

No Knits on 9th July! See you on 16th.



Messy Church! Do join us from 3.15pm on **16**th **July**. Fun, craft, bible stories – outside in the Forest School area - and tea too!

News

Nicci Maxwell in S Sudan – latest newsletter here Nicci Maxwell - latest newsletter June 24

Local accommodation required for approximately one year for a lady. Please contact the Office for more information. Thank you.

BOOMS FOR HIRE - HERE!

We have 3 lovely rooms here at St Matts which are available to rent out for events, meetings, social groups, exercise classes etc.

3 of our long-standing groups have just retired and so we are looking for new groups to fill the gaps! If you would like to know more please contact the office on 214175 or check our website: <u>https://www.st-matthias-church.org/room-hire68460/</u>

> For Morning Prayer online, we use the Church of England 'Daily Prayer' app and this zoom link <u>https://tinyurl.com/2t56wex5</u>

PCC Minutes and Prayer Requests

Following our meeting last week, you can now view the latest minutes by requesting them from the office: <u>admin@st-matthias-church.org</u>

Also, as well as thanking God for many things in our church community, please can you include these key areas of our life together in your prayers:

- 1. We still seek an Emerging Generations Leader and also we need more people to help run the thriving Youth Club
- 2. The Parish Visiting project in September
- 3. The development of the Preschool as more 2 year olds arrive
- 4. Finances preschool in a healthy position, but the church is only just ok
- 5. The Larkin Hall roof & solar panel project for swift planning consent

Prayer Suggestions for our prayers and praise this week

Mon Lord, we pray today that you will raise up good partnerships in our local churches and the church worldwide. May your will be done.

Tue Dear God, please pour out your Spirit of love, unity and loyalty on the church. Help us to work together in partnership with one another.

Weds Father, thank you for this day. We ask that You guide our path today and, more specifically, our thoughts, words and actions.

Thurs Lord, thank you for your goodness, mercy and grace. Help us to carry these wonderful gifts in our hearts and lives and may we minister these to the world.

Fri Heavenly Father, we pray for the ability to rejoice in hope, to be patient in tribulation and constant in prayer.

Sat Lord, we pray for a heart that seeks you and your word daily.

Sun Dear Father, bless us so that we may find joy in serving others, knowing that in doing so, we serve you.

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