

**COLLECT**

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to joy  
but first he suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory before he was  
crucified:  
mercifully grant that we, walking in the  
way of the cross,  
may find it none other than the way of life  
and peace;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**FIRST READING Exodus 20:1-17**

*A reading from the book of Exodus.*  
Then God spoke all these words: I am the  
LORD your God, who brought you out  
of the land of Egypt, out of the house of  
slavery; you shall have no other gods before  
me. You shall not make for yourself an  
idol, whether in the form of anything that  
is in heaven above, or that is on the earth  
beneath, or that is in the water under the  
earth. You shall not bow down to them or  
worship them; for I the LORD your God  
am a jealous God, punishing children for  
the iniquity of parents, to the third and  
the fourth generation of those who reject  
me, but showing steadfast love to the  
thousandth generation of those who love  
me and keep my commandments. You  
shall not make wrongful use of the name  
of the LORD your God, for the LORD will  
not acquit anyone who misuses his name.  
Remember the sabbath day, and keep it  
holy. Six days you shall labour and do all  
your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath  
to the LORD your God; you shall not do  
any work – you, your son or your daughter,  
your male or female slave, your livestock,  
or the alien resident in your towns. For in six  
days the LORD made heaven and earth, the  
sea, and all that is in them, but rested the  
seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed  
the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honour  
your father and your mother, so that your  
days may be long in the land that the  
LORD your God is giving you. You shall  
not murder. You shall not commit adultery.  
You shall not steal. You shall not bear false  
witness against your neighbour. You shall  
not covet your neighbour's house; you shall  
not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or  
female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything  
that belongs to your neighbour.

**PSALM Psalm 19 (or 19:7-end)**

*R The commandment of the Lord is pure  
and gives light to the eyes.*

The heavens are telling the glory of God  
and the firmament proclaims his  
handiwork.

One day pours out its song to another  
and one night unfolds knowledge to  
another. *R*

They have neither speech nor language  
and their voices are not heard,  
Yet their sound has gone out into all lands  
and their words to the ends of the world.  
In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun,  
that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his  
chamber  
and rejoices as a champion to run his  
course. *R*

It goes forth from the end of the heavens  
and runs to the very end again,  
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.  
The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the  
soul;  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives  
wisdom to the simple. *R*

The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice  
the heart;  
the commandment of the Lord is pure  
and gives light to the eyes.  
The fear of the Lord is clean and endures  
for ever;  
the judgements of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether. *R*

More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold,  
sweeter also than honey,  
dripping from the honeycomb.  
By them also is your servant taught  
and in keeping them there is great reward.  
*R*

Who can tell how often they offend?  
O cleanse me from my secret faults!  
Keep your servant also from presumptuous  
sins  
lest they get dominion over me;  
so shall I be undefiled,  
and innocent of great offence. *R*

Let the words of my mouth and the  
meditation of my heart  
be acceptable in your sight,  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *R*

**SECOND READING**

**1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

*A reading from the first letter of Paul to the  
Corinthians.*

The message about the cross is foolishness

to those who are perishing, but to us who  
are being saved it is the power of God. For  
it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom  
of the wise, and the discernment of the  
discerning I will thwart." Where is the one  
who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where  
is the debater of this age? Has not God  
made foolish the wisdom of the world?  
For since, in the wisdom of God, the world  
did not know God through wisdom, God  
decided, through the foolishness of our  
proclamation, to save those who believe.  
For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire  
wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified,  
a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness  
to Gentiles, but to those who are the called,  
both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power  
of God and the wisdom of God. For God's  
foolishness is wiser than human wisdom,  
and God's weakness is stronger than  
human strength.

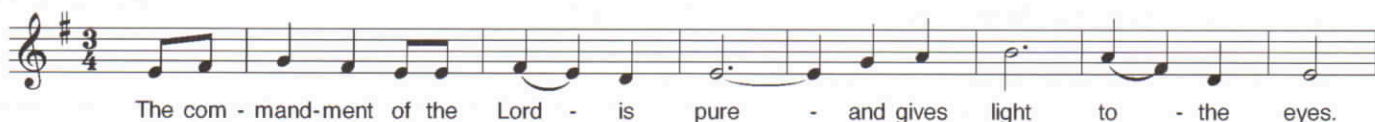
**GOSPEL John 2:13-22**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.*

The Passover of the Jews was near, and  
Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple  
he found people selling cattle, sheep, and  
doves, and the money-changers seated at  
their tables. Making a whip of cords, he  
drove all of them out of the temple, both  
the sheep and the cattle. He also poured  
out the coins of the money-changers and  
overturned their tables. He told those who  
were selling the doves, "Take these things  
out of here! Stop making my Father's  
house a market-place!" His disciples  
remembered that it was written, "Zeal for  
your house will consume me." The Jews  
then said to him, "What sign can you show  
us for doing this?" Jesus answered them,  
"Destroy this temple, and in three days  
I will raise it up." They then said, "This  
temple has been under construction for  
forty-six years, and will you raise it up in  
three days?" But he was speaking of the  
temple of his body. After he was raised  
from the dead, his disciples remembered  
that he had said this; and they believed  
the scripture and the word that Jesus had  
spoken.

**POST COMMUNION**

Merciful Lord,  
grant your people grace to withstand the  
temptations of the world, the flesh and  
the devil,  
and with pure hearts and minds to follow  
you, the only God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



# HOLSWORTHY BENEFICE

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

## 4th March 2018 - Third Sunday of Lent

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*A warm welcome to church today! If you have not been here before, please make yourself known to one of the team - you are very welcome.*

**EVERY FRIDAY - 11am COMMUNION and 11.30 NO COST CAFÉ at Ss Peter & Paul, Holsworthy**

		<i>Bridgerule</i>	<i>Hollacombe</i>	<i>Holsworthy</i>	<i>Pancrasweek</i>	<i>Pyworthy</i>
3rd Sunday of Lent	4th Mar	11.15am Family Sung Eucharist	3pm Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist		11.15am Family Service
Thursday	8th Mar	7pm Eucharist and Lent Reflection - Holsworthy				
Friday	9th Mar	11am Eucharist, Reflection and Lent Lunch - Holsworthy				
4th Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	11th Mar	11.15am Morning Prayer		9.30am Sung Everybody Welcome Eucharist		11.15am Sung Everybody Welcome Eucharist
Tuesday	13th Mar	Commissioning of the Livestock Market Chaplaincy Team by Bishop Sarah, Holsworthy Parish Church all welcome.				
Wednesday	14th Mar	7.30pm Stations of the Cross - Hollacombe				
Thursday	15th Mar	7pm Eucharist and Lent Reflection - Holsworthy				
Friday	16th Mar	11am Eucharist, Reflection and Lent Lunch - Holsworthy				
Fifth Sunday of Lent Passiontide begins	18th Mar	11.15am Sung Eucharist	9.30am Sung Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist		11.15am Morning Prayer
Palm Sunday	25th Mar	11.15am Family Service		9.30am Morning Worship 6pm Meditative Eucharist with Anointing	9.30am Eucharist with hymns	11.15am Family Sung Eucharist
Monday of Holy Week	26th Mar	11am Said Eucharist with reflection - Holsworthy				
Tuesday of Holy Week	27th Mar	11am Said Eucharist with reflection - Holsworthy 7pm Stations of the Cross with Eucharist - Pyworthy				
Wed of Holy Week	28th Mar	11am Said Eucharist with reflection - Holsworthy				
Maundy Thursday	29th Mar	6pm Sung Eucharist with washing of feet & stripping of the altar - Bridgerule 8pm Sung Eucharist with washing of feet & stripping of the altar & Watch at the Altar of Repose - Holsworthy 11.50pm Compline - Holsworthy				
Good Friday	30th Mar	10.30am Walk of Witness - Holsworthy Square 1.30pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - Holsworthy 3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - Bridgerule 5pm Creative Church Music and Meditation on the last words of Jesus - Pyworthy 7pm Tenebrae - Holsworthy				
Holy Saturday	31st Mar	3pm Creative Church Stations of the Cross - Pyworthy 8pm Benefice Easter Vigil				
Easter Day	1st April	11.15am Family Sung Eucharist	9.30am Sung BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist	9.30 Said Eucharist with hymns	11.15 Sung Eucharist
Easter Monday	2nd April	Creative Church with Easter Egg Hunt 11am Holsworthy Badock Gardens 2pm Bridgerule church 4pm Pyworthy church				

**Electoral Roll** - If you are not on the electoral roll at your church and would like to go on please let your church secretary/roll officer know. Forms are at the back of all churches.

**The Real Easter Egg** - Fairtrade Easter eggs with the Easter story. Cut out the middleman buy straight from Tradecraft and help farmers - Milk Chocolate eggs £3.99 from Mthr Elizabeth.

### Coming Up....

Mon 5th Mar	11.40 & 2	<b>Funeral of the late Mike Smith.</b> Barnstable Crematorium 11.40. Ss Peter and Paul 's church
Sun 11th Mar	12.30 for 1	<b>Pyworthy Sunday Lunch</b> for church funds
Tues 13th Mar	2.30pm	<b>Commissioning of the Livestock Market Chaplaincy Team</b> , Ss Peter and Paul 's church by Bishop Sarah - please do come and support this.
	7pm	<b>Pyworthy APCM</b> , St Swithun's church
Wed 14th Mar	7pm	<b>Bridgerule APCM</b> , St Bridget's church
Sat 17th Mar	7.30pm	<b>A Medley of Music</b> St Mary's Church, Black Torrington. Cheese & wine will be served following the concert. Raffle. Admission free; donations welcome.
Sun 18th Mar	4pm	<b>Bishop Sarah's leaving service.</b> Evensong at Exeter Cathedral. Sign up sheet at the back of Holsworthy Church for any in Holsworthy. Or speak to your churchwardens about carsharing
Tues 20th Mar	7.30pm	<b>Christians Together in Holsworthy and District AGM</b> , Methodist Church, blue room.
20th-22nd Mar		<b>Mother Elizabeth on silent retreat</b> - back for Holsworthy APCM.
Thur 22nd Mar	7pm	<b>Eucharist &amp; Holsworthy APCM</b> , Ss Peter and Paul 's church
Fri 23rd Mar	11am	<b>Eucharist, Reflection and Lent Lunch</b> , Ss Peter and Paul's church
Fri 23rd Mar	2.30pm	<b>Hollacombe APCM</b> , St Petroc's church

### Vacancy

Part time  
Benefice  
Administrator

7 hrs per week  
(2 afternoons)

If interested  
please speak  
or request an  
application  
pack from  
Mthr Elizabeth

### Please pray for...

The recently departed: Pamela Collins, Mike Smith, Margaret Robertson, Di Elliot, Robert James, Bill Harris, Kenneth Cockwell and their family and friends

**Webpage** - [www.holsworthybenefice.org.uk](http://www.holsworthybenefice.org.uk)

**Facebook Page** - Holsworthy Benefice

If you would like anything added to this weekly Pew Sheet please email Mother Elizabeth by midday on a Thursday.