

### COLLECT

Almighty God,  
 give us grace to cast away the  
 works of darkness  
 and to put on the armour of light,  
 now in the time of this mortal life,  
 in which your Son Jesus Christ  
 came to us in great humility;  
 that on the last day,  
 when he shall come again in his  
 glorious majesty to judge the  
 living and the dead,  
 we may rise to the life immortal;  
 through him who is alive and  
 reigns with you,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.

### FIRST READING

**Jeremiah 33:14-16**

*A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.*

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

### PSALM Psalm 25:1-9



*R Remember, Lord, your compassion and love.*

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
 O my God, in you I trust;  
 let me not be put to shame;  
 let not my enemies triumph over me.  
 Let none who look to you be put to  
 shame,  
 but let the treacherous be shamed  
 and frustrated. **R**

Make me to know your ways,  
 O Lord,  
 and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
 for you are the God of my salvation;  
 for you have I hoped all the day long.  
 Remember, Lord, your compassion  
 and love,  
 for they are from everlasting. **R**

Remember not the sins of my youth  
 or my transgressions,  
 but think on me in your goodness,  
 O Lord,  
 according to your steadfast love.  
 Gracious and upright is the Lord;  
 therefore shall he teach sinners in  
 the way. **R**

He will guide the humble in doing  
 right  
 and teach his way to the lowly.  
 All the paths of the Lord are mercy  
 and truth  
 to those who keep his covenant and  
 his testimonies. **R**

### SECOND READING

**1 Thessalonians 3:9-end**

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

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

### GOSPEL Luke 21:25-36

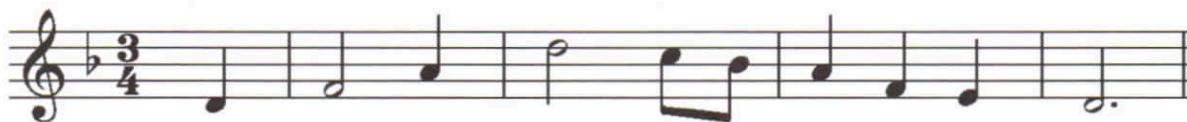
*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in the sun, the moon,

and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

### POST COMMUNION

O Lord our God,  
 make us watchful and keep us  
 faithful  
 as we await the coming of your Son  
 our Lord;  
 that, when he shall appear,  
 he may not find us sleeping in sin  
 but active in his service  
 and joyful in his praise;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Re - mem - ber, Lord, your com - pas - sion and love.

# Holsworthy Benefice

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

## 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

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Advent

*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.*



Advent

### 11am Community No Cost Café at Ss Peter & Paul Parish Church

		Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
Second Sunday of Advent	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.15am Christingle		9.30am Sung Eucharist		11.15am Sung Eucharist
	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy 7.30pm Market Carol Service, Livestock Market				
Third Sunday of Advent	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.15am Sung Eucharist		9.30am Sung Eucharist 6pm Town Carol Service		9.30am Morning Prayer
	21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
Fourth Sunday of Advent	23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	6.30pm Joint Carol Service at the Methodist Chapel		9.30am Sung Morning Prayer	9.30am Sung Eucharist	11.15am Sung Eucharist
Christmas Eve	24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	3pm Crib Service		4pm Carols in the Square 11.30pm Midnight Mass		11am Crib Service 9pm Vigil Mass
Christmas Day	25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am Sung Eucharist	9am Sung BCP Holy Communion	9am Sung Eucharist		
	28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION & 11am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
First Sunday of Christmas	30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10am Benefice Sung Eucharist, Pancrasweek				

#### Notices

**Pyworthy Christmas Fair** raised £756.14. A wonderful amount. Thank you to everyone involved and all those who supported this successful event.

**Holsworthy Primary School** need volunteers to hear pupils read or help with simple maths. If you would like to help out, even if only for an hour once a week, please contact the school on [01409 253700](tel:01409253700) or email Mr Anthony Pope on [apope@holsworthy-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:apope@holsworthy-primary.devon.sch.uk)

**Singers for Advent and Christmas Carol Services**, also at Midnight Mass (11.30pm) and Christmas Morning at Holsworthy. All Welcome.

Practices as follows, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>& 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.45pm and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec 6.30pm. All practices at Holsworthy Church. For more details contact John Timbury on Holsworthy 259421.

**Hollacombe Statement of Theological Conviction** – The Bishop of Ebsfleet has requested a change to Mother Elizabeth's licence. This change is to reflect the Statement of Theological Conviction issued on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Hollacombe PCC has decided to draft a new Statement of Conviction to rescind that issued on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016. A copy of the proposed new Statement of Conviction is in St Petroc's Church for the congregation to read. This will be proposed and voted on at the next Hollacombe PCC on **14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 2.30pm**.

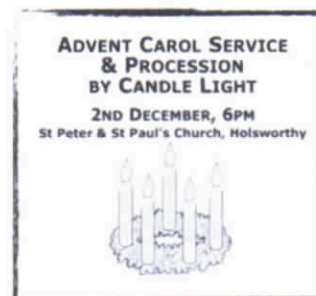
**Book of Remembrance** - The book is being up-dated – anyone who would like a friend or relative to be included please contact Carol Weston.

**Re-cycled Greetings Cards** – Cards are available to purchase. Anyone who has any old cards they would like to donate for re-cycling please pass on to Carol Weston.

**Friends of Holsworthy Parish Church**. Please encourage people throughout the community to become a Friend. Packs are available at the back of the church to give to anyone you think might be interested, including organisations. Please do let Mother Elizabeth know if you are interested in coming on the sub-committee.

#### Coming up:-

Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2.45pm	<b>Choir Practice</b> at Ss Peter & Paul Church for Christmas Services
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 14.30pm	<b>Hollacombe PCC</b> – Glebe Farm
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2.45pm	<b>Choir Practice</b> at Ss Peter & Paul Church for Christmas Services
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 7.30pm	<b>Carol Concert</b> – Pyworthy in aid of the Children's Hospice
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 5pm	<b>School Christingle</b> – Bridgerule
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30am	<b>Holsworthy Primary School Christmas Service</b>
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2.45pm	<b>Choir Practice</b> at St Peter & Paul Church
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec 3pm	<b>Carol Service</b> - Hollacombe



**Please pray for the recently departed: Francis Mathews their family and friends**

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

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