

Benefice Events E-Letter

Dawlish with Holcombe & Cofton

Sunday 3rd July

3rd Sunday after Trinity

Last week I was at the Exeter Diocese Clergy Conference which was held at the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester. They happen every 4 years although this was delayed for a year due to the pandemic.

The theme was PrayGrowServe 2022. It was a very different week away from the responsibilities of the Benefice but

nonetheless busy days with early starts and

late finishes. The worship and some meetings are held in a large marquee and then we use the other buildings in the grounds for some of the other meetings and events. The bedrooms are very basic student accommodation so please don't think it was a week in some luxury suite!



It was lovely to share some time with Tim, as we were asked to be the coach monitors, as we travelled there and back by coach leaving from St. David's Exeter. We began on Monday, after arrival, with lunch followed by an address by Bishop Robert which I personally found an encouragement as it was very grounded in the reality of the situation that we find ourselves in within our culture and in this not quite post Covid-19 world. Each day we had a keynote speaker linked to each aspect of PrayGrowServe, taking account of the challenge of spirituality

today, the post everything world, and from Baroness Kennedy QC the joys but also the challenges of serving as a Christian in the House of Lords and her work over the years as a Barrister often challenging the injustices and errors in our judicial system as well as the broader context of human rights.

Our Bible Studies were led by Bishop Emma Inneson, who unfortunately couldn't be with us in the end but were recorded on video. Each study



looked at one of the Mary's, so that was three of the many Mary's mentioned in the Gospels. She took us through a study about Mary, Jesus' mother, Mary of Bethany and Mary Magdalene. Each gave new insights and were very thought provoking and there were opportunities to share some thoughts with those around us. Worship of course was a key element of being together and we shared in services of Holy Communion, Evening Prayer and Compline. There were also two opportunities to join in with some very well executed non liturgical worship.



There was a sports programme for the more agile and energetic and a workshop programme covering a variety of subjects. And then of course there were the mealtimes and times to just sit and chat with people and meeting some clergy for the first time.

On the last evening there was a gala dinner at which we had an after dinner speaker, Hugh Dennis. He is apparently often on radio and for those who were fans of Outnumbered he had the role of the father. Hugh Dennis is known to Bishop Robert as his father was Bishop Robert's training incumbent, who himself became a Bishop. It was a very good evening.



The weather was a great bonus to us too so all in all it was a really good conference.

One of the outcomes is that it has made me think about how we need to look at rebuilding our Mission Action Plans so I hope that we will consider this at the Mission Forum meeting.

With every blessing,
Dallas



Notices

Services

- 3rd July 8am St Gregory's – Holy Communion
 9.30am St George's – Holy Communion
 10am St Gregory's – Greg's @ 10 with visiting speaker Ann Stevens
 11am St Mary's – Morning Worship
- 6th July 10am Midweek communion at St Gregory's
- 10th July 9.30am St George's – Morning Worship
 10am St Gregory's - Holy Communion
 11am St Mary's – Holy Communion

Prayer meeting:

Dallas Ayling is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Dallas Ayling's Zoom Meeting

Time: Jul 5, 2022 09:00 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6591842294?pwd=hakfR92W-WBnpl1CBn5jr6oxpSCzOg>

Meeting ID: 659 184 2294

Passcode: 995468



Mission Community Forum Meeting

This meeting has been MOVED to the **11th July at 7pm at St Gregory's**. Apologies for the change!

Thanks and Congratulations to Ailsa

For all her work in ministry in her role under 'Permission to officiate' which she has now retired from! Congratulations and many thanks to Ailsa.



Volunteers at St Gregory's

We are still looking for volunteers please for the following:



Help in maintaining the Garden of Remembrance. It is important to keep this tidy for providing interment of ashes and also for those who visit who have had ashes interred in the Garden.

Thank you to those who have volunteered in opening the church but we are still in need of a few more people.

Finally, the coffee and tea will run dry unless we find more people to help with

that after worship on Sundays.

Please speak to Leena or Richard.

St Mary's – upcoming events

We had a very successful Ladies Lunch today with members of St Greg's, St George's and St Mary's. The next Ladies Lunch will be on Tuesday 19th July to avoid the school holidays. The invitation is extended to all Ladies in the Benefice.

The next Morning Prayer at St Mary's will be held on Wednesday 27th July at 10am.

Terry will open our church every Wednesday during the Summer season from 10.30am to 1pm serving refreshments.

CAP BAKE SALE - Can You Help?

Saturday 9th July 10am-12.00 at The Hope Centre,
Swift Road, Dawlish, EX7 0FS.

Please come and support the work of Christians Against Poverty, who provide free debt help, practical and emotional support.

This will be a fundraiser for CAP Teignbridge to raise awareness and essential funds for this service. Are you skilled at baking cakes, cupcakes, cookies or flapjacks? Please get in touch with Tim Wigley (Debt Centre Manager) timwigley@capuk.org THANK YOU!



If you would like any support, or someone to talk to, or you are aware of someone else who would appreciate contact please ring one of the following:

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