

DIARY 2018

Mon 15th	9.30am	Support group meeting in St Ben's Church.
JAN	6.30pm	Support group meeting in St Ben's Church.
Tues 16th	9.00am	Morning Prayer in St Ben's Church.
	10.30am	Holy Communion at St Patrick's Chapel, Glastonbury Abbey.
	1.30pm	St Ben's School Collective Worship in St Ben's Church.
	7.00pm	Glastonbury PCC meeting in St Ben's Church.
Wed 17th	9.00am	Morning Prayer in St John's Church.
	10.00am	Holy Communion Service in St John's Church.
	2.00pm	Memorial Service for Gillian Callender in St Ben's Church.
Thurs 18th	9.00am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's Church, Meare.
	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in St Ben's Church.
	12noon	Service in St Ben's Church for Week of Prayer followed by a light lunch. <i>All Welcome!</i>
	7.45pm	Bell-ringing practice in St Ben's Church.
Fri 19th	9.00am	Morning Prayer at Abbey House.
	12noon	Soup lunches in St Ben's Church.
	7.15pm	Concert rehearsals in St John's Church.
Sat 20th	9.00am	Morning Prayer in St John's Church.
	3.00-4.30pm	Setting up for evening Concert in St John's Church.
	7.30pm	CONCERT in St John's Church by Glastonbury Brass Band. <i>All Welcome!</i>
Sun 21st	The Third Sunday of Epiphany	
	8.00am:	HOLY COMMUNION in St John's Church.
	9.30am:	FAMILY COMMUNION in St John's Church.
	11.00am:	CAFÉ STYLE SERVICE in St Ben's Church.
	11.00am:	MATINS in St Mary's Church, Meare.
	Readings:	Gen.14:17-20; Ps.128; Rev.19:6-10; John 2:1-11

We are pleased that you are here in our church and we pray that your visit may bring you closer to God's Love.



Welcome to the Benefice of Glastonbury with Meare



St John's Church



St Benedict's Church



St Mary's Church,
Meare

Sunday 14th January 2018

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

St John's

8.00am: Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Revd. David Fox-Branch

9.30am: Parish Communion

Celebrant: The Revd. David Fox-Branch

Preacher: Mrs. Margaret Wynn

5.00pm: Healing Service

Leader: The Revd. David Fox-Branch

Preacher: Mrs. Margaret Wynn

St Benedict's

11.00am: Joint Service in St Ben's with the URC

Leader & Preacher: Mrs. Philippa Chapman

St Mary's

11.00am: Parish Communion

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Revd. Robin Ray

Collect

Almighty God,
who in Christ makest all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of thy grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known thy heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Bible Readings for today:

1 Sam.3:1-10 [11-20]; Ps.139:1-5,12-18; Rev.5:1-10; John 1:43-end

Confessions of a Reader

The seeds sown, upon hearing a sermon preached, but with a young family and a full time job, thoughts lay dormant. Unready and unprepared I joined a bible study group. Upon David's arrival I was nudged into furthering this goal. Firstly I spent two years studying "Exploring Christianity". This was both challenging and fulfilling. Upon completion I faced my nemesis; an all day interview at The Old Deanery. Nerves got the better of me and I failed at this attempt. Devastated and feeling a failure I reapplied, praying for courage and was successful. After a year's training, mainly on preaching techniques, I was licensed, a wonderful moment. Initially nervous I have grown into my role. I hope I can convey the joy I feel when I preach and perhaps help others develop a deeper relationship with God.

Mrs. Di Greuter, Reader



Concert at St John's Church - Saturday 20th January 2018

"Glastonbury Brass" will play from their amazing repertoire of music with a general theme: "A Night at the Movies". This will be interspersed with performances from talented vocalist Hannah Wills. The Concert will be held at St John's Church **starting at 7.30pm on Saturday 20th January 2018** (doors 7pm). Tickets £5 available at the door and there will be light refreshments, coffee or tea available in the interval.

This amazing band are not to be missed! *Here's your chance to experience their wonderful sound close-up.*

THANK YOU...

"I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A BIG THANK YOU to all of you for the beautiful gifts you gave me last Sunday. It was really such a surprise and totally unexpected! One person I forgot to thank was Val Roper. Val has been my 'right hand' for the past year as my health continued to deteriorate. At times she took the responsibility of getting everything ready for all the Arrangers. Not an easy task! So my heartfelt thanks to you Val for all you have done and continue to do for me.

My thanks once again to you all." **Bonnie Tilbrook**

I am a partially-sighted lady and parishioner at All Saints church, Kenton in Devon

<http://www.allsaintskenton.org.uk/>. This year I am walking from Dunnet Head (north of John O'Groats) to Lands End, via Holy Island, for my local hospice (<https://www.hospiscare.co.uk/>). You may appreciate that this is a big undertaking for me, not least logistically. I am camping and hostelling wherever possible in a bid to reduce my costs and I am asking for help from church communities along the way.

Specifically, I am coming through Glastonbury **on Sunday 29th July this year.**

Please could I put out a request to your congregations for any offers of help?

My email address is: pips2018plod@yahoo.com.

Thank you. **Sylvia Bowhay**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Those who have asked for prayer: Liz Affleck-Edwards, Janet Allen, Stuart Allen, Alan Asbridge, Joseph Badman-Outram, Avril Baker, Dawn Bonham, Sophie Contaris, Glenys Difford, Muriel Ferris, Joan Green, Martin Grist, Marie Harris, Valerie Moreton, Jean Rooney, Jeanne Rout, Andrew & Sheila Scott-Evans, Rebecca Whitehead, Nicky Wilkins and Brian & Freda Williams.

For those who have died: **GILLIAN CALLENDER**
PETER CLARE
PAUL GRAY



Please contact us on:

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Monday - Friday : 9.00am-1.00pm

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