

Second Reading (Continued)

¹⁴ And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. ¹⁵ And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. ¹⁷ And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. ¹⁸ Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. ²⁰ Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord. ²¹ Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged. ²² Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God;

A Message From The Bishops Of Devon

The Rt Rev'd Robert Atwell, Bishop of Exeter, The Rt Rev'd Nick McKinnel, Bishop of Plymouth, and The Rt Rev'd Jackie Searle, Bishop of Crediton, are urging churches to pray for an end to the suffering of the people of Yemen, as millions face the threat of starvation in the world's worst humanitarian crisis today. The Bishops are responding to the calls of leading faith-based international development agencies who are appealing to churches and mosques to pray for the desperate situation in Yemen where more than 14 million people face starvation and 85,000 children may have already died from extreme hunger since 2015. The full News Release is on the notice board at the back of Church and a prayer for you to use is below. Thank you.

A Prayer For Yemen

Giver of Life, who hears the cries from Yemen; of mothers choosing between medicine or food, of parents grieving children lost to starvation, of those who have given up everything in hunger, hear our cry for hope, for change, for peace. In your mercy, break political deadlocks, soften hardened hearts, change closed minds, open unhearing ears. Let people come before power. Let life be holy again. Let your justice and peace shape the nation of Yemen and the lives of all people. Amen.

Safeguarding Officers

Sara Grier is our nominated Safeguarding Officer and is the nominated person responsible for vulnerable adults. Jo Parker is the nominated Safeguarding person responsible for children. Their photos are on the Church noticeboard in the porch, together with photos of the Vicar, Revd David Gill, and your Churchwardens, Andy King and Susanne Burnett.

Notice of Preparation of New Church Electoral Roll

Every six years each parish is required to prepare a new electoral Roll. During the period of preparation of the roll, members on the current roll need to apply to be included – inclusion is not automatic. New people can also apply during this period. Application forms are available from myself and are also in folder at the back of the church. These forms must be received by myself not later than 10th March. The new Roll will come into operation on 17th March. During the time between 17th March and the APCM, 5th April, corrections can be made to the entries on the roll but no names can be added or removed during this period. This can only happen after the APCM. Thank you.

Pat Brooks, Electoral Roll Officer

Love South West

A united weekend of worship, service and invitation from 7th – 9th June 2019.

Kingdom Come – A night of unhindered worship and prayer in Plymouth Pavilions on Friday 7th June at 7.30pm.

Serve Day - A day of local social action projects. Various locations throughout the South West. Saturday 8th June.

#TryChurch – Inviting the South west to try Church. Various local Churches throughout the South West on Sunday 9th June.

For tickets, information and how to get involved visit www.lovesouthwest.org.uk

Lone Working

If you have to do any work on your own in the Church or Church Hall, please notify someone that you are going and how long you expect to be. Then notify them when you have finished. If possible have a mobile phone with you. This applies to everyone, even volunteers, whether cleaning, flower arranging or climbing ladders! A Lone Working Policy will soon be included within a Health & Safety section in our Safeguarding Policy which will be available at the back of Church or on our Church website at www.saintmarys.org.uk.

Forthcoming Events

Messy Church at Southway	4pm	Saturday 2nd March
Proposed Churchyard Tidy Up Day		Saturday 16th March
APCM	7.30pm	Friday 5th April
Beetle Drive	7.30pm	Saturday 6th April
Proposed Church Hall Cleaning Day		Saturday 13th April
Carnival Concert	6pm	Wednesday 8th May
Carnival Service	10am	Sunday 12th May
Christian Aid Week Event	2pm	Saturday 18th May
Messy Church at St Mary's	4pm	Saturday 18th May