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Praying and Growing in Christian discipleship
and **Serving** the people of Devon with joy

Sunday 5th July 2026
Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Zechariah 9. 9 - 12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and
victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
As for you also, because of the blood of my
covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free
from the waterless pit.
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Romans 7. 15 - 25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do
what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do
what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But
in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells
within me. For I know that nothing good dwells
within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is
right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I
want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I
do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but
sin that dwells within me.
So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is
good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law
of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members
another law at war with the law of my mind, making
me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my
members. Wretched man that I am! Who will
rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to
God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Matthew 11. 16 - 19, 25 - 30

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare
this generation? It is like children sitting in the
marketplaces and calling to one another,
'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'
For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they
say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating
and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a
drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet
wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."
At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of
heaven and earth, because you have hidden these
things from the wise and the intelligent and have
revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was
your gracious will. All things have been handed over
to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son
except the Father, and no one knows the Father
except the Son and anyone to whom the Son
chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that
are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will
give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn
from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and
you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy,
and my burden is light."

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the
whole body of the Church is governed and
sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all
your faithful people, that in their vocation and
ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name; through our Lord and
Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Collect

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably
ordered by your governance, that your Church may
joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Requests to Guide Your Prayers

(Please contact clergy for inclusion)

Residential Home: Teignbridge House

The healing and wholeness of: Nicholas Brixton and Josh Burton.

Circle of Care: Max Guy, Marion Delaney, Cynthia Mosely, Wendy Dominguez, Val Hammond, Diane Anderson, Jennifer and Michael Britton and Pamela Langley. (Duncan Caine – remembered in silence)

The recently departed and their family and friends: Di Caine, Priest, Ian Forbes, David Traylor and Bonita Day.

Upcoming Funerals/Memorial Services:

Rev'd Di Caine – 9th July 2.30pm - St Michael's
David Traylor – 13th July, 2.30pm - St Nicholas
Bonita Day – 17th July, 11am – St John's

Services During the Week

Tues 7th 9.30am – St Michael's: Holy Communion
Wed 8th 11am – St Michael's: Tower Appeal
Prayer Meeting
Thurs 9th 9.30am - St Peter's: Holy Communion

Services Next Sunday

12th July - Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Readings:

Isaiah 55. 10 - 13; Romans 8. 1-11;

Matthew 13. 1-9, 18-23

8.00am - St James': Holy Communion
9.30am - St John's,: Holy Communion
9.30am - St Michael's, : Holy Communion
9.30am - St Nicholas', : Matins
9.30am - St Nectan's: Pet Service
11.00am - St James' : Morning Worship
11.00am - St Peter's: Holy Communion
6.30pm - St John's, Luton: Evening Service

Mission Community - Notices & News

St Peter's July Organ Recitals. Light lunches served from 12.30pm. Every Wednesday in July.

Save the dates Sat 10th to Mon. 12th October
10th Quiet Day, 11th Team Council Workshop and Mon. 12th October Study Evening with **Gillian Ahlgren** who is visiting the Haldon Mission Community. More information will be published later, meanwhile please ask Helena about Gillian.

Churchwardens. The “swearing in” of CWs has begun at the Archdeacon’s Visitation services. Please pray for our wardens. Lesley Heffer and Christine Vince, Frances Commander, Andrew Ridgway and Keith Hutchings, Kath Vooght, Peter Wood. Thank you for taking on this leadership responsibility.

St Nicholas Churchyard Group.

The next churchyard group meeting is on Friday, July 10th at 10am. It marks our first birthday, and an invitation to join us for refreshments has started to circulate. However, for unforeseen personal reasons, Nia is not able prepare for or attend this gathering and so would like to ‘postpone’ this joyful celebration until our August meeting when she will be able to do this important event justice. Thank you for your understanding. Nia

Thornley House Afternoon Cream Tea on 22nd July 2-4pm. (£5) in aid of St James’ Church Lantern Restoration Fund. We look forward to seeing everyone.

Open Garden for St Michael's. Friday 10th July, 11am – 3.30pm 9 The Rowden. Free entry.

Pewsheets submissions by 10am please on Thurs to

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