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## Sabbath rest

So many people are so busy these days. For those of us who work full-time it can be hard fitting the rest of life in around those commitments. As I age, the idea of retirement becomes more attractive to me each year, but it seems that giving up work doesn't make us any less busy – certainly if the retired folk of the Benefice whom I know are anything to go by!

I was fortunate recently to spend a few days in silent retreat. It gave me a chance to stop and reflect on my life, to pray and to spend time with God. It also gave me space to look honestly at my life and the balance of work and rest, as well as thinking about what I do with my downtime.

Of course, putting into practice one's good intentions is a different thing entirely from thinking about changes. But since I've been home, I have managed to use my rest time more creatively than before. I've found more time to engage in my love of crafting and have even played the piano a couple of times – something I haven't done for a good number of years.

Sabbath rest has always been part of Christian tradition; in fact it's roots are in the Jewish faith from which Christianity inherited much. Its importance is highlighted by being part of the first story in our Bible: "By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done." (Genesis 2.2) There are a variety of interpretations of this story, but all of them agree that rest is an important feature of a life of work.

As vital as rest is, so is what we do with our rest-time. Sometimes we do just need to stop and sleep, but often our time off disappears before we know it: scrolling through pages on the Internet, sitting in front of mindless television etc. These things don't always refresh us in the same way that getting outside or playing sport or engaging in crafting or cooking do. Rather than reinvigorating us these activities can make us feel even less energetic.

August often has a slower pace as many people take holidays; it might be a good month to think about what Sabbath rest is for us and how we can use it so that we get the most out of it we can. If we are able to create some good habits in a slightly quieter month, the hope is that in September when everything gets going up again, we might be able to retain a bit more creative rest than before.

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*Sarah*

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9th July	Henry Hugh Alford	Puddletown
9th July	Oliver Robert Alford	Puddletown
9th July	Rowan Finley White	Puddletown

### Marriages

24th June	Rupert Cox & Anna MacPherson	Puddtown
8th July	Josh Baudains & Ellie Trousdale	Dewlish

### Funerals

D. 3rd June Aged 81	Jeanne Marion Cooper	Puddletown
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## Puddletown Food Bank

Please pass on to anyone you know who might be in need.

There is now a food bank in Puddletown church for the use of people living in the village. (This would include Athelhampton, Burleston & Troytown).

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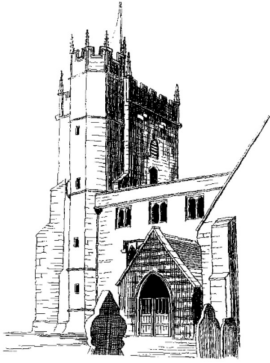
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**Pop-in Coffee Mornings** in the Church Room are every Thursday from 10am to 12noon. Everyone (of any age) is welcome. Good coffee and delicious cakes and/or biscuits are always on offer. Come and join us for a sociable hour or two.

**Rosemary's Card Stall** will be at the 'pop-in' coffee morning in the Church Room on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August. The cards are good quality and very reasonably priced. Do come along and have a look.

Through the sale of her cards Rosemary is helping to support the church room.

**Prayer Group** There has been a slight change to the time that the Benefice prayer group meets on Tuesdays in Puddletown Church Room. It will now be from 10.30 until 11.30am. All are welcome.

**Craft Group** This will be taking a break through July and August; we hope to restart in September.

**Afternoon Tea in the Village Hall** this will be in place of the usual lunch and will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 3.00pm. This must be booked in advance. If you haven't yet booked your place then please contact Sheila on 849193 or Jean on 848211.

**Garden Party at St Mary's** on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August from 2pm-5pm. There will be cream teas in the church room and games and stalls in the church yard.

**Maggie's Ordination.** This took place on Saturday July 1st in Salisbury Cathedral. The following day she took her first Holy Communion service in Milborne Church with many parishioners attending the service to show their support for her.



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27th August	Cynthia Metcalfe	Sally Belsten & Paul Fleetwood
Charitable Giving 2023		
Lent		Toilet Twinning
Mothering Sunday		Women's Refuge
Easter Day		The Salvation Army (Homeless)
Harvest		Water Aid
Christmas		The Children's Society

## BENEFICE PRAYER GROUP

Janet Voke and Sue Turner warmly invite you to join them for a time of friendship and prayer for all of us in the benefice.

It will be in the Church Room, Puddletown on Tuesdays from 10.30 until 11.30am

There will be coffee and conversation from 10.30 and prayers will begin at 11.00.

Do come and join us.



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One of the combines was out cutting some winter barley on the 7<sup>th</sup> July for another farmer, though our barley is still a few days away, but with showers of rain and hot sunshine the crops will soon ripen.

With the lifting of our TB Movement restrictions we have been selling some of our bigger store cattle at Salisbury Market, for a very pleasing price. It is always good to move some cattle on, as the grass starts to slow down at this time of year. We have also had a couple of draws of the new season lambs who have benefited from a little of the barley mixture, especially through the dry period a while ago.





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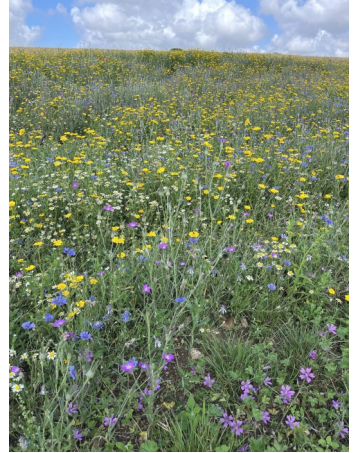
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*Wakely Cox*

*8th July 2023*



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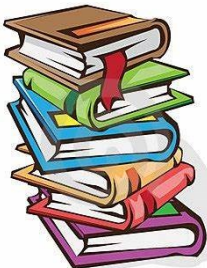
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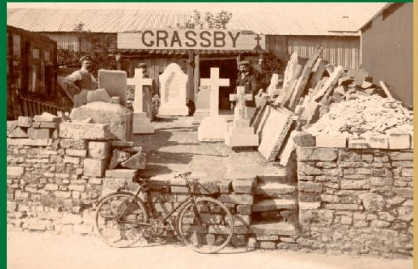
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<b>June 2023</b>		
	Rainfall for the month	22.80 mm
	Cumulative for the year	378.90 mm
	2022 Rainfall for the month	40.80 mm
	2022 Cumulative for the year	281.60 mm
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Many of you will remember Janet’s sermon a few weeks ago when one of the things she spoke passionately about was befriending people in prison by becoming a penfriend.

She left some information with me about two organisations. One of these is called **Human Writes**. This is a British organisation that links people on Death Row in the United States with people who would like to befriend them in order to make their lives more tolerable and less dehumanised. There are currently about two and a half thousand people on Death Row in the USA. Many have severe learning disabilities or are mentally ill; a high proportion have had very poor legal representation. Living conditions are often harsh and dehumanising. Having a penfriend can provide a window on the outside world, enable them to have a more normal conversation with someone and make them feel that someone cares.

The other organisation is **Prisoners’ Penfriends**. It provides penfriends from the outside community for prisoners in England and Wales. It provides training and monitors all correspondence. A recent study by the University of Warwick (and anecdotal evidence) indicates that the scheme helps to rehabilitate convicted offenders.

Both organisations are looking for people who are non-judgemental and will commit to writing on a regular basis. I have a little more information on each of them but you can find out more yourself at [www.humanwrites.org](http://www.humanwrites.org) or [www.prisonerspenfriends.org](http://www.prisonerspenfriends.org)

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## St John's Church Tolpuddle August 2023

Summer continues apace, with its inevitable English rain, but now interspersed with hotter days than we have been used to in the past. The birds are still noisily rousing us every morning, and throughout July we have been blessed with a family of herons on the brook by our house. So hopefully, just like us, the wildlife is managing to adapt to the changing climate too.

As in previous years, we welcomed the TUC here for their weekend of fun - bigger and livelier than ever. To make sure all went with a bang it was all hands to the pump - and what a great way to get involved in village life. In appreciation for all the hard work put in by the villagers, the TUC hosted a BBQ on the Wednesday prior to the Festival weekend. A great way to kick off the celebrations. The festival itself had a packed program of music and comedy plus more serious debates over the whole weekend. But sadly the fierce storms that hit the village put paid to all the celebrations, and violent winds on Saturday meant that for safety's sake the festival had to be cancelled. A quieter Sunday started with a special Songs of Praise, to which we were delighted to welcome Bishop Karen for a moment of quiet but joyful celebration of the Martyrs' legacy.

The church Camping team were in action during the festival too, hosting four of the festival goers over two nights. As so many of our camping guests have said before, they found their stay in the church a warm and peaceful experience. To the great joy of many in the village, our local pub The Martyrs Inn was reopened in time for the Martyrs Festival. Starting on Friday 7th July with a special evening for shareholders and volunteers, they worked gradually towards the Grand Official Opening on Saturday 15th during the festival itself. What a wonderful village success story!

Meanwhile life carries on - children are enjoying their break from school and other members of the family working around them. The church services continue, with a local baptism during the month. We keep hoping that the numbers of congregation will improve to ensure that our church remains viable so that it can be available for these special family occasions. We are so lucky to have the church open every day, to go and sit in and have a bit of quiet away from everyone else! For people who enjoy that do try our **Reflective Service** held on the second Sunday of every month at 5.30pm. It is a time for peace and meditation, listening to poetry and music around a different theme each month. For those looking for something livelier we have **Go Fourth** at 10am - on the fourth Sunday obviously - over the last few months we have been able to hold this service outside, which is a joy, and then on the other two Sundays we have the familiar communion services for those who prefer a more traditional worship.

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Last month saw the culmination of our curate, Maggie Crosbie's training as on Saturday 1st July she was ordained in Salisbury Cathedral. The service was warm and engaging, with Bishop Stephen involving the whole congregation in chanting and vigorous responses. There were many familiar faces from the benefice and all were wreathed in smiles throughout. On the following day Maggie preached at her first communion service at a benefice service in Melbourne St Andrew, followed by the traditional sharing lunch. Maggie will be with us for some time yet as she continues to grow her skills under Sarah's careful hand.

So we finish this report on an upbeat note, as summer approaches and the vegetable gardens are beginning to produce mountains of goodies. So many people who visit and enjoy our lovely village say how fortunate we are to live here- and we truly are.

*Hilly and Jayne*



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# TOLPUDDLE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

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June	Yvonne Galbraith	Ali Macintosh	Mark Hill

## Tolpuddle Events Committee (TEC)

June was a fairly quiet month in Tolpuddle while we put the Coronation behind us and started planning for a busy July. The Martyrs Festival is always a very good opportunity to provide food for the festival goers, and TEC will be cooking breakfasts as usual for the hungry campers. On the Sunday there will be lunches in the Village Hall which will this year comprise a boxed ploughman's-type meal with salads, ham, cheese and quiche options.

On Saturday 9th September there will be another Music in the Meadow. This was a hugely successful event last year and we plan to have live music, a bar and delicious home cooked food to celebrate the end of summer in style under the apple trees in Orchard Meadow.

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*Mandy*

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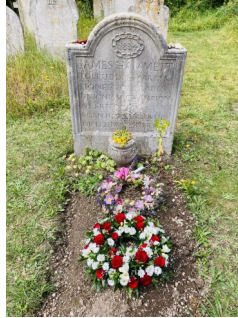
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Martyrs' Wreaths made by Marion and team.

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As many of you will be aware, I was away for a long time. I was lucky enough to go on a Round the World in 80 Days cruise. Of course, it was fabulous and we saw so many different things. In many of the Eastern countries we visited, we were taken to visit Buddhist, Confucianism and Shinto temples. As a practicing Christian, I felt rather uncomfortable about the rituals undertaken in these temples. However, the more I saw and understood, a lot of the traditions are not that dissimilar to our services. One guide told us that she supports Shintoism as Buddhists 'only care for the dead'.

The main beliefs of Shinto are the importance of purity, harmony, respect for nature, family respect, and subordination of the individual before the group. Buddhists believe that the human life is one of suffering, and that meditation, spiritual and physical labour, and good behaviour are the ways to achieve enlightenment, or nirvana.

For trips of more than 2 weeks, the ship company engage a minister. Colin was a priest who was involved with the Seaman's Mission so is a good sailor; he is also a wonderful vicar. Every sea day he held a Christian service and on Sundays an ecumenical service. As most of the travellers are of the older generation, the services were very well attended.

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July some of us went to Salisbury Cathedral to support Maggie and to be involved in the service of Ordination. It was very moving. The following day Maggie led her first Communion service in St Andrew's.

*Pam Shultz,  
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## Milborne Ladybirds Playgroup

### Ahoy Me Hearties ..... we're going on an adventure

By the time this goes to print Ladybirds will be closed for the summer holidays. What a busy year it has been! The 'big' children will be off to school in September, and we will miss them as some have been in every day for the last 2 years. Although they seem big to us when visiting school for transition sessions, they all seemed very small. Transition started with the Reception teacher visiting Ladybirds to play and talk to the children in their familiar setting. The progression was then children at school with parents, next just with Ladybirds staff and finally on their own. All were confident and happy in their new surroundings. Although the exploring walk around the school grounds seemed very wild with grass as tall as the children!

Back at Ladybirds we read the story 'Going on a Bear Hunt', talking about not being scared, and acted out going through all the types of terrain. Some of the older children retold their version of the story which was transcribed as a story map by an adult. We continued with different textures – shaving foam was one of the favourites and left an area looking like a snowstorm.

Investigation continued with how to free spiders frozen in ice and how to blow watery paint to make pictures. The best science experiment involved eggs, various liquids, and toothpaste. White eggs were left for a few days in tea, vinegar, cola, water with one of the eggs covered in toothpaste before soaking in tea. The idea was to teach children what happens to the white egg and to show toothpaste protects teeth. Luckily, it worked. But best of all was the rubbery egg that had soaked in vinegar.

With only a week to go we had a fun session pretending to be pirates on a pirate ship with a treasure chest and dancing to sea shanties. Last day of term will be party day with more fun and a children's entertainer to give staff a well-deserved rest.



Good luck to all our school starters and have a great holiday everyone.



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## Milborne St Andrew Gardening Club

At the end of June, we had a successful visit to Bennett's Water Garden. The sun shone and we saw the water lilies at their best.

In August we will have a picnic in a member's garden and in September we hope to visit Knoll Gardens. Would you like to come along? Contact our Chairman Bill Love,

on 01258 837677.

*Mark Johnson*



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## Milborne St Andrew First School

Benji`s Mum and her work colleague Del came in to give a talk to Robins and Raccoons class about their work as Pharmacists. They explained about the different types of medicines and what parts of the body they help with. The children labelled Del and then dressed in full PPE to do some workshops. Ella explained that it is very important to make sure the correct medication matches the prescription from the doctor, pharmacist or hospital and the correct medicine for the medical problem.

The children `dispensed` medicine,(fruitellas) using tweezers (as everything has to be sterile), checked the medicines were correct with the prescription, guessed the cost of different medications and used syringes through hand holes to make a liquid medicine (orange juice).

A big thank you to Ella and Del



On Friday 30th June, some of our pupils took part in the DASP Illustration Event at Thomas Hardye School. The guest speaker was Martin Brown, the illustrator of Horrible Histories and Lesser Spotted Animals.

The girls had a fantastic morning! They worked in a group with another school and they were challenged to design a poster using not your typical desert animals.

It was commented on how polite, confident and imaginative the girls were. We are very proud of them all for showing our school values.

Well done girls!



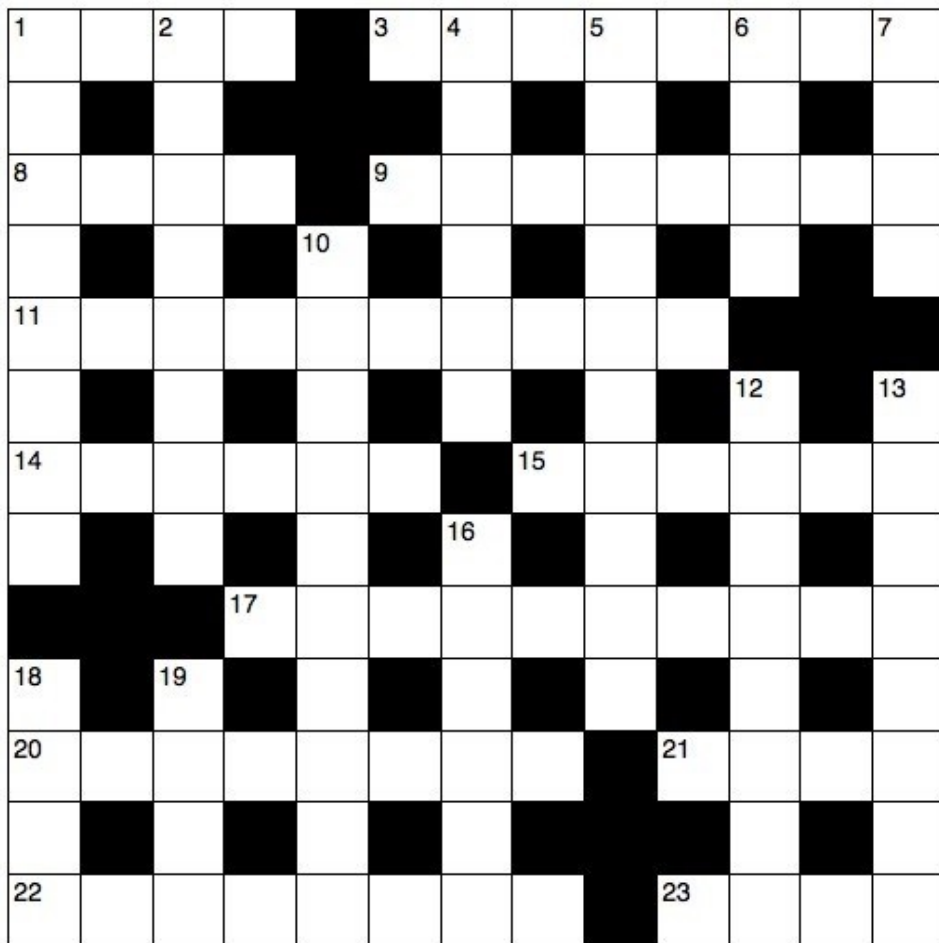
The year 3 and 4 children had a fantastic day at the farm in Dewlish! We learned how the cows are milked, fed the calves, played a game of 'cow bingo' and then hiked all the way back to school!

**Across**

- 1 and 3 Two of the disciples who witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus (Luke 9:28) (4,3,5)  
3 See 1 Across  
8 'Let us draw — to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith' (Hebrews 10:22) (4)  
9 O Simon is (anag.) (8)  
11 Form of government under the direct rule of God or his agents (10)  
14 How Jesus found his disciples when he returned to them after praying in Gethsemane (Luke 22:45) (6)  
15 In The Pilgrim's Progress, the name of the meadow into which Christian strayed, which led to Doubting Castle (2-4)  
17 Glad sin rat (anag.) (10)  
20 Spinal column (Leviticus 3:9) (8)  
21 Valley of the Balsam Tree with a reputation of being a waterless place (Psalm 84:6) (4)  
22 'The oracle of Balaam son of Beor, the oracle of one — — sees clearly' (Numbers 24:3) (5,3)  
23 Adam and Eve's third son (Genesis 4:25) (4)

**Down**

- 1 David's great friend (1 Samuel 20:17) (8)  
2 'The Lord... will bring me safely to his — kingdom' (2 Timothy 4:18) (8)  
4 'I, Daniel, mourned for three weeks. I ate no choice food; — — or wine touched my lips' (Daniel 10:3) (2,4)  
5 Seeking to vindicate (Job 32:2) (10)  
6 Female servant (Isaiah 24:2) (4)  
7 'For Christ died for — once for all' (1 Peter 3:18) (4)  
10 'Offering spiritual sacrifices — to God through Jesus Christ' (1 Peter 2:5) (10)  
12 Jesus said that some people had renounced this 'because of the kingdom of heaven' (Matthew 19:12) (8)  
13 One of the three men thrown into the furnace for refusing to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden image (Daniel 3:20) (8)  
16 'You have — of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry' (Luke 12:19) (6)  
18 'There before me was a white horse! Its rider held — — , and he was given a crown' (Revelation 6:2) (1,3)  
19 Equipment to Charity Hospitals Overseas (1,1,1,1)



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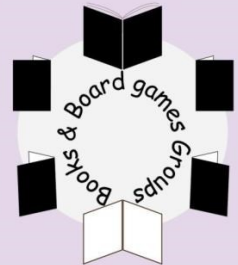
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## Dewlish Church Notes

IT WAS a joy to be in the congregation at Milborne for Maggie's first communion service as a newly-ordained Vicar. A large congregation of people from across the benefice was there, with quite a few staying for the bring-and-share lunch afterwards. I would also like to add how good the choir was.

Thank you! Maggie will be with us for another two years before she moves on to her own parishes.

We were blessed with two dry afternoons when Christine and Ross, from Yarden Cottage, opened their garden to the public as part of the National Gardens Scheme. Needless to say, the garden looked absolutely beautiful. Members of Dewlish Church provided teas, and I am delighted to report that we made about £500 for church funds.

Many thanks to all helpers, to those who made such delicious cakes (we had lots of compliments!), and to those who gave jams, paper plates etc. Thank you, also, to Christine and Ross for all their support and help. Another very successful couple of afternoons!

*Daphne Burg*





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## Services in the Benefice

### 6th August - Transfiguration of our Lord

**Psalm 97, 2 Peter 1.16-19, Luke 9.28b-36**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Celebrate	Milborne
11.00am	Parish Communion	Puddletown
11.00am	1662 Matins	Dewlish

### 13th August - Trinity 10

**Psalm 105.1-6, 16-22, 45b, Genesis 37.1-4, 12-28, Matthew 14.22-33**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne
11.00am	Puddletown Praise	Puddletown
11.00am	Parish Communion	Dewlish
5.30pm	Sunday Reflections	Tolpuddle

### Monday 14th August

2.00pm	Marriage of Martin McLaren and Emma Matthews	Milborne
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### Saturday 19th August

2.00pm	Marriage of Christopher Rice and Susan Burrows	Dewlish
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### 20th August - Trinity 11

**Psalm 133, Genesis 45.1-15, Matthew 15.21-28**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Worship in Stillness	Milborne
11.00am	Parish Communion	Puddletown
11.00am	Family Service	Dewlish

### Saturday 26th August

1.00pm	Marriage of Stuart Fox and Jessica Norman	Puddletown
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### 27th August - Trinity 12

**Psalm 124, Exodus 1.8-2.10, Matthew 16.13-20**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne
10.00am	Go Fourth	Tolpuddle
11.00am	BCP Matins (traditional language)	Puddletown
11.00am	Parish Communion	Dewlish

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