

October Newsletter

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Priest-in-charge

The Parish is in Transition awaiting the appointment of a new Parish Priest, having said “
Goodbye, and God be with you in your retirement’
to our former priest,
Rev Michael Goodland and his wife Ruth.

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Parish Prayer



To be used in daily private devotions and services during the Transition:

Heavenly Father, be with us as we pray for the future shape and direction of our Parish.

We pray that by your Holy Spirit, we will be refreshed and renewed.

Guide our thinking and conversations:

strengthen our unity one to another

so that Your church may bring glory to you, our loving, generous, heavenly Father.

We pray, whatever decision is reached about the future,

that Your will be done and that Your Kingdom will come closer to us all.

May we all seek to discover the mind of Christ, in whose name we pray.

AMEN



Church Contacts

We have put in place contacts for each congregation so that if anyone has questions they will know whom to contact. The contact list is below; each contact can then if necessary bring the question to the Leadership Group (Paul Gribble, Matt Frost, Richard Laugharne, David Watters and Margaret S-Thorne) who may wish to put it on the PCC agenda. Hopefully for most matters only a simple answer is required which can rapidly be dealt with.

List of Congregational contacts

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Downderry David Watters. Tel: 01503 250521 email: david.watters1@gmail.com

Paul Gribble tel: 07717 266 572 email: pgribble55@gmail.com is willing to act as a contact if any of the above are unavailable, but you can contact anyone on the list.

Parish Services in October

1st	16th Sunday after Trinity Parish Family Service Evening Healing Service	9.30am 5pm	Downderry (followed by PCC meeting) Tideford	
2nd	Monday A Time for Prayer	7pm	Downderry	
5th	Thursday Parish Prayers	9.30am	Hessenford	
8th	17th Sunday after Trinity Morning Prayer Parish Praise	9.30am 11am	Hessenford St Germans	
9th	Monday A Time for Prayer	7pm	Downderry	
12th	Thursday Parish Prayers	9.30am	Hessenford	
15th	18th Sunday after Trinity Eucharist Eucharist	9.30am 11am	Downderry St Germans	
16th	Monday A Time for Prayer	7pm	Downderry	
19th	Thursday Parish Prayers	9.30am	Hessenford	
21st	Saturday Messy Church	3pm	St Germans	
22nd	19th Sunday after Trinity Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9.30am 11am	Downderry St Germans	
23rd	Monday A Time for Prayer	7pm	Downderry	
26th	Thursday Parish Prayers	9.30am	Hessenford	
29th	Last Sunday after Trinity - Parish Harvest Festival Harvest Service			
		11am	St Annes, Hessenford	
		<i>followed by a Harvest Lunch in the Church Hall, Hessenford</i>		
30th	Monday A Time for Prayer	7pm	Downderry	

Events around the Parish

Wednesday Lunches

weekly on Wednesdays at 12 noon
at St Nicolas Church, DOWDERRY
ALL WELCOME to enjoy a free community lunch.....
any donations go to parish funds

Pub Theology

Second Wednesday of the month at the Eliot Arms 7.30pm-9pm
All welcome to the discussion
October 11th – evil : November 8th - politics

Home Group Meetings in October

Monday mornings at 10.30am studying the Letters of Peter
at Margaret's home in Hessenford
AND
on alternate Monday evenings 9th and 23rd Oct at 7pm
at Bill's home in St Germans, studying Not in God's Name by Jonathan Sacks
Contact Margaret on 01503 241003 or margaret.sylvesterthorne@gmail.com

Looking ahead.....

November Special Services

5th November All Saints Day
Morning All Saints' Day Service at St Nicolas Church, DOWDERRY
5pm All Souls' Service at St Luke's Church, Tideford

6th December the East Cornwall Bach Choir **9 Lessons and Carols** evening,
in St Germans Parish Church
proceeds after expenses to go to PCC, the Trust and a charity.

An advance notice of **dates for the St Germans Priory Christmas Market** – to be held on the **16th, 17th and 18th November**. Further information will be available in the next couple of months

See the parish website.

Parish website: stgermansparishes.com

Poem

'I thank thee God, that I have lived' by Elizabeth Craven (1750-1828)

read at Ros Mann's Memorial Service in St Germans Parish Church

I thank thee God, that I have lived
In this great world and known its many joys:
The songs of birds, the strongest sweet scent of hay,
And cooling breezes in the secret dusk;
The flaming sunsets at the close of day,
Hills and the lovely, heather-covered moors;
Music at night, and the moonlight on the sea,
The beat of waves upon the rocky shore
And wild white spray, flung high in ecstasy;
The faithful eyes of dogs, and treasured books,
The love of Kin and fellowship of friends
And all that makes life dear and beautiful.

I thank Thee too, that there has come to me
A little sorrow and sometimes defeat,
A little heartache and the loneliness
That comes with parting and the words 'Good-bye';
Dawn breaking after weary hours of pain,
When I discovered that night's gloom must yield
And morning light break through to me again.
Because of these and other blessings poured
Unasked upon my wondering head,
Because I know that there is yet to come
An even richer and more glorious life,
And most of all, because Thine only Son
Once sacrificed life's loveliness for me,
I thank Thee, God, that I have lived.