

St Mary's
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All Saints
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CULM DAVY
Chapel



A community of Faith, Hospitality and Inspiration

Loving God and Loving our Neighbour

News and updates from the Upper Culm Valley Mission Community

Sunday 28th April 2024/ 5th Sunday of Easter

Dear Friends,

The weather continues to be a lively subject of conversation! Some days it's hard to know if we are in winter, spring or summer. As far as the church is concerned, we are still in Easter season, but along with the weather warming up, this will soon be turning to Pentecost and then Trinity.

By the time you read this our three parishes will have held, or be about to hold, their annual meetings to review the work of the last year and appoint church wardens and PCC members to share in leading us forward into the next year. We are so grateful for the work these key volunteers have put in for us, very often much behind the scenes.

And as we look ahead there are some wonderful musical events on the horizon. Culmstock Church is trialling a new mindfulness service. Actually, it's not new at all – the ancient monks had mindfulness well and truly taped. All Saints will be hosting a 30-minute service of sung Compline at 8pm on Sunday 12 May; the perfect wind down at the end of a week and in readiness for the new week.

And then on the weekend of 8/9 June, we will be marking church Music Sunday, an annual event promoted by the Royal School of Church Music. Some really exciting things are scheduled for this weekend – do take a look at the advert inside and do come along to all of them!

With love and prayers from Becky and the ministry team

Parish Ministry

Rev'd Becky will usually be available for Parish ministry on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. If you require Becky outside these days, please leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as possible.

For pastoral support, or your matter is urgent, the Ministry team are available to contact. You will find their details are on the back of the link sheet.

Alternatively, please contact Khendra (parish administrator) on ucvmission@gmail.com /01884 562756/07565 856222

First Friday Prayers

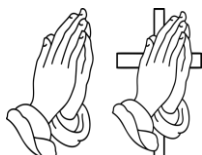
In recent months a group of dedicated people have gathered in **All Saints Church, Culmstock at 10.00 am** on the first Friday of the month for a time of prayer.

We pray for our world, our communities, our churches and for individuals who have requested prayer, in particular those who have asked for prayer via the church's prayer board.

This is an opportunity for us to come together from across the benefice and join together in prayer. It is a valuable ministry, and a very encouraging time.

All are welcome.

If you can't come in person, but would like to ask for prayer, please contact Wendy Atkinson on wendy.h.atkinson@gmail.com or 01884 840635.



Next dates:

Friday 3rd May and Friday 7th June



The next newsletters will be for:

The weekends of:

11th/12th May 2024

25th/26th May 2024

Content contributions to Khendra by:

4pm on Thursday 9th May 2024

4pm on Thursday 23rd May 2024

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

	Culm Davy Chapel	St Andrew Clayhidon	All Saints Culmstock	St Mary Hemyock
Sunday 28th April Easter 5		10.00am Communion service 11.00am APCM	10.00am Morning Worship	11.00am Communion service 5.30 – 6.00pm Vigil for World Peace
Sunday 5th May Easter 6	9.00am Communion service (traditional 1662)		10.00am Communion Service	11.00am Café Church Hemyock church rooms
Thursday 9th May Ascension Day	6.30pm St Marys, Hemyock United Benefice Communion Service			
Sunday 12th May Sunday after Ascension Day		10.00am Rogation walk and prayers	10.00am Morning Worship 8.00 – 8.30pm Sung Compline (refreshments from 7.30pm)	11.00am Communion Service

Tuesday morning services at All Saints Culmstock

10am Tuesday 30th April – BCP Morning Prayer
10am Tuesday 7th May – BCP Morning Prayer

All welcome

All Saints church, Culmstock

Churchyard Open Morning

Saturday 11th May, 10am – 12 noon

- Enjoy coffee and cake in the churchyard
- Have a guided tour of the work being carried out
- Climb the steps to the top of the tower and admire the view

All Welcome



**The Iona Community in the
Southwest of England
Regional Gathering Exeter
Saturday 27 April 2024**



11.00 - 16.00 (arrivals from 10.30)

South Street Baptist Church (Palace Gate entrance EX1 1JA)

Join us for a day of building community, exploring issues of common concern including the environment, peace-making, inclusion and diversity and interfaith dialogue. A leisurely lunch and time for Iona-style worship.

All are welcome – friends, associates, members, all who share our passion for peace and justice in the world. Please bring a contribution for lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided. Booking is free (donations welcome). To book your place, please email swengland@iona.org.uk. You can also email for more information, offers of help and travel queries, or contact Clare Sibley on 07967 051182.



Culmstock Wellbeing Wind-down
Sunday 12 May 2024, 7.30 for 8.00pm
All Saints Church, Culmstock

Music to end the day on a note of peace and calm.

The timeless ancient plainsong of Compline.

Sung by Andrew Trehwella and a small vocal ensemble.

7.30pm: Drinks and nibbles

8.00-8.30pm: Culmstock Wellbeing Wind-down



All welcome

Celebrating the music of the Church

with the Royal School of Church Music



To celebrate **MUSIC SUNDAY 2024**

the Benefice is hosting three special events over the weekend

of 8th and 9th June 2024



Saturday 8 June

All Saints Church, Culmstock, 7.00pm

Concert of early Church music: From Plainsong to the Renaissance

Wine and nibbles

Tickets: £10 in advance or on door, in aid of church development fund

Sunday 9 June

St Mary's Church, Hemyock, 10.30am

Choral Mass – Haydn's Missa Sancti Nicolai

Benefice communion service with music played and sung by a small group of instrumentalists and singers



Followed by refreshments



Sunday 9 June

All Saints Church, Culmstock, 7.30pm for 8.00pm

8.00-8.30pm: Sung service of Compline

Led by Andrew Trehwella and singers

Preceded by refreshments from 7.30pm

All welcome at each event

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

2 CORINTHIANS 3:17



Please keep the following in your prayers this week:-

Those who are unwell or recovering from operations:

- Alan Craig
- Otis Earls
- Roy McQueen
- Reverend Tony Grosse
- Mavis Clist

Those who have recently been bereaved, in particular the families and friends of;

Hemyock with Culm Davy

Christine Brown
Bernard Haine
Paul Mathews

Culmstock

Roger Horne
Patricia Knight

Clayhidon

Ilott Hutchings



ALL

Glimpsing the beauty cast between
Days of springtime when the sun,
Shines like summer and all sadness is
forgotten;
But dark clouds cool the clear sky and
Bring on a storm,
Yet we know all is the same in Christ's
love begotten.

David Palmer



CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRAYER

St Marys, Hemyock
Every day
10am - 4pm

All Saints, Culmstock
Every day
9am – 5pm



Mission Community Prayer

God of Mission,
Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit
To give vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
And power to our witness.
Help our churches to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

ST MARYS' CHARITY SHOP

Open Every **TUESDAY**
10AM – 12 NOON
And the first Saturday of every month
at Hemyock Church Rooms

If you have anything for the Link Newsletter please
can you email it to Khendra by 4pm on Thursdays.
t: 01884 562756/07565 856222or
ucvmission@gmail.com

We are here for you...

If you would like to speak to someone about how you are feeling, or if you need help, we are here.

If you would value a personal conversation with the Rector or other members of the Ministry Team please call:

- Rector: Rev'd Becky Totterdell 01823 681520 Rev John Stone: 01823 681459
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