

## **St David with St Michael and All Angels, Mount Dinham, Exeter**

### **Parish Newsletter for 4 August 2024 - 10th Sunday after Trinity**

We welcome Jakob Marais, his family, godparents, and other supporters for his baptism at St David's this morning, and I rejoice to be back amongst you to officiate this and to administer communion. The readings at St David's today are thus themed around baptism, and you might take the opportunity to reflect on your own baptism, and seek the Holy Spirit's help to continue to grow in discipleship. If you haven't yet been baptised, ask a churchwarden or Rev Catherine Blundell for more information.

Love and peace,

Ash

#### **Our services this week:**

##### **Sunday 4 August 2024 - 10th Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Parish Communion and Baptism at St David's Church with celebrant and preacher Ash Leighton Plom

11am Sung Mass at St Michael's church with celebrant and preacher, Hannah Alderson

6pm Evening Prayer at St David's led by Robert Mitchell

#### **Services in church and online this week**

**Tuesday 6 August** (Transfiguration of our Lord) 9.00-9.30 am Morning Prayer on Zoom. Please join us using this link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75330401184?pwd=MIUTonKQK9bgFKV6lpn9rMbQUDyI8H.1>

Meeting ID: 753 3040 1184

Passcode: 5RWhXs

We use this app for our prayers – details here or via a phone:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast>

**Thursday 8 August** (Dominic, priest, founder of the Order of Preachers, 1221) 10.30 Holy Communion at St David's (Lady Chapel)

## **Sunday 11 August 2024 - 11th Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Parish Communion and Baptism at St David's Church with celebrant and preacher Jonathan Draper

11am Sung Mass at St Michael's church with celebrant and preacher, David Gunn-Johnson

6pm Evening Prayer at St David's led by Robert Mitchell

### **Message from the Churchwardens**

**1. Update** - further to our news last week that Mike Clark is to be our part-time Interim Vicar, we are delighted to say the Archdeacon will license him at the 10.30 service on Thursday, 29 August at St David's. We look forward to welcoming Mike formally and to working with him more closely.

**2. Covid** - there's a lot of it about! So please, if you have cold-like symptoms/Covid, for the sake of your fellow parishioners, please do not come to church!

### **Visiting and home Communion**

If you would like to be visited or phoned by someone from the church community, please let Howard Friend know by ringing him on 07733 739453; for Communion at home, either for yourself or someone you know, please contact Ian Cartwright on 07813 795616.

### **Tuesday Friendship Café**

St David's Church is normally open on Tuesday mornings from 10.30 am to 12 noon as a drop-in for people to find a Christian welcome and company.

### **Wednesday Walks**

Wednesday walkers meet and enjoy convivial conversation, gentle strolls, the changing of the seasons and a coffee together. Would you like to join us? We'd make you very welcome! We meet at 9am at the door at the west end of St David's and we leave promptly. If

you'd like to join us please just turn up, or speak to Helena in church.

### **Men's Breakfast**

The next Men's Breakfast will be on *Saturday, 7 September at the Sylvania Community Store*. Please contact Alan Baker if you would like a reminder [alan.baker1963@outlook.com](mailto:alan.baker1963@outlook.com)

### **Parish Lunch**

Thursday's lunch at the Imperial went well, so we are hoping to go again on Thursday, 29 August. Do let Jenny Baker know if you would be interested in coming.

### **Parish magazine**

The July/August edition is now available. Our thanks to Sarah Rimmington and to all the contributors. Copy date for the September edition is Sunday, 18 August.

### **Lunchtime concert in St Stephen's, Thursday 15 August 1-2 pm**

Please see poster at the back of church. Bee Harley and Richard Skinner.

### **Parish of Central Exeter Prayer Around the Cross - dates for 2024**

During 2024, Prayer around the Cross will be held in St. Pancras Church, Guildhall Shopping Centre, at 7.00 pm, on the following Fridays: 13 September and 15 November.

### **Calling all crafters! [from Roots and Shoots]**

**Parish**

2025 will be the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II. To commemorate this anniversary, a display of knitted and crocheted poppies will cascade down St Peter's Church Tower, Bratton Fleming in May 2025. Would you be willing to help knit or crochet some poppies to add to the display? If you would like to get involved, please email: [sue@suesquire.com](mailto:sue@suesquire.com)

### **Administrator**

We are looking for a person who is a flexible self-starter with good communication and administrative skills to support the work of St

David's church in central Exeter. This flexible post for up to 10 hours a week has three key strands: Parish administration including managing bookings, Administration of our Safeguarding records and a Website and communications role. For more information about this varied and interesting role contact: [wardens@stdavidschurchexeter.org.uk](mailto:wardens@stdavidschurchexeter.org.uk) on or before 5th August 2024

### **Your Prayers are asked for...**

#### **those who are suffering including:**

Caroline Speed-Andrews; Maggs Bedford; Delia Bloom; Libby Clapham; Lois Draper; Andrew Francis; Phoebe Goldsworth; Hazel Gowland; Roger Luscombe; Anne Smith; Sarah Wood; Clive and Jeanie; Beth; Charlotte, Paul and Grace;

#### **those who have died recently including:**

Bill Warner

#### **In our Parish Cycle of Prayer please pray for:**

Hotels and Bed and Breakfasts in the Parish

#### **Please also pray for:**

Our parish as we move forward

Our country and its leaders, both political and religious

Our world, for wisdom for its leaders and a wish for peace not war

### **Sunday 5 August 2024 - 10th Sunday after Trinity**

#### **Collect**

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,  
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;  
and that they may obtain their petitions  
make them to ask such things as shall please you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **1st reading - Romans 6.3-5, 8**

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

## **Gospel Reading     Mark 1.9-11**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

## **Post Communion**

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have willed that the gate of mercy  
should stand open for those who trust in you:  
look upon us with your favour  
that we who follow the path of your will  
may never wander from the way of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Amen**

Robert Mitchell and Hilary Todd

Church Wardens

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(All readings can be found via Oremus Bible Browser:  
<https://bible.oremus.org/> in the New Revised Standard Version  
(anglicized edition))