

Prayer Diary – August 2018

“Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, 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.” Matthew 11.28-30

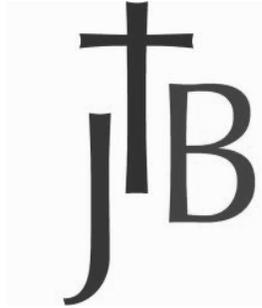
Please pray for...

1st today's North Devon Show
2nd Jackie Searle, the new Bishop of Crediton
3rd the Devon Air Ambulance
4th the start of Remembrance 100
5th refugees seeking a home
6th local councillors and the decisions they have to make
7th Christians facing persecution
8th the work of hospital chaplains
9th those who struggle to find decent employment
10th everyone involved in the Brexit negotiations
11th today's Coffee Morning at Bishops Tawton
12th Cathy and all she experienced during her time in Melanesia
13th all those who've been baptised this year in our churches
14th the North Devon Hospice
15th farmers and all who work on the land
16th students getting their A-level results
17th train staff and passengers on the Tarka Line
18th the Men's Prayer Breakfast at Newport this morning

19th our local foodbanks and the people who need them
20th the volunteers who help to run Soul Space at Newport
21st our neighbouring churches in and around Barnstaple
22nd the Bible Society and the people who it helps all around the world
23rd everyone getting GCSE results today
24th Andy, Carolyn and their family
25th the Village Fun Day in Bishops Tawton
26th safety on our roads
27th today's Bank Holiday
28th the Children's Hospice South West
29th everyone looking forward to Cake Club at Newport this morning
30th the community at Lee Abbey
31st teachers preparing for the start of a new school year

You can find details of our daily Bible readings for this month at www.wordlive.org/Session/Classic

St John the Baptist Churches, Newport and Bishops Tawton



Parish Bulletin – August 2018

On Sunday the 4th of August, 1918, the fourth anniversary of the declaration of war, King George V and Queen Mary joined members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords for a special service at the Church of Saint Margaret, Westminster. The King had asked that 4 August 1918 should be observed as a National Day of Prayer: 100 days later the war ended.

On 4 August 2018 we, along with churches across the country, across the spectrum of denominations, will start 100 days of prayer, peace and reconciliation. It's called Remembrance 100.

In this month's Parish Bulletin we have some words from the Archbishop of Canterbury to call you to prayer, and help finding Bible readings and reflections for Remembrance 100.

If you have any news or information for next month's Parish Bulletin then please send it to davelewis69@hotmail.com, or you can ring Dave on 01271 312904.

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Reconciliation

This is the Archbishop of Canterbury's introduction to *100 Days of Peace and Hope* – 100 daily Bible readings, reflections and prayers for the 100 days we are calling Remembrance 100. Copies of *100 Days of Peace and Hope* are available to download free at <https://www.remembrance100.co.uk/100-days/>

We will make some copies available in church for you to take home if you are unable to access them from a computer.

“When we remember 1918, we reflect on a time of great hope and great sadness for our country. We recall our part in the horrors of war and the darkness that drives humanity to violence. But we also remember the promise of peace. On 4 August 1918, many in this country came together with King George V to pray for peace. One hundred days later the Great War ended.

Our God is one who brings peace to hearts and calls us not only to stop violence, but to seek reconciliation. His reconciliation asks that we disempower memories of destruction and their hold over individuals and societies. Through this we can learn to approach difference with curiosity and compassion, rather than fear – and begin to flourish together in previously unthinkable ways.

This kind of reconciliation is incredibly rare. Sadly, we see conflicts and fragile coexistence all around our world. That is why in the 100 days before this Remembrance Sunday, we think especially of those caught up in conflict, and those who pray for peace against all odds and act with hope when there is little light to be seen.

We know that the God who gave his Son to bring us reconciliation hears their prayers; we ask him to stir our hearts to join them in being peacemakers who cross the borders and barriers, radical in our generosity and welcome.

From 4 August let us mark 100 days with prayers for peace, hope and reconciliation.”

Sunday Services in August

Sunday 5th 8am Holy Communion at **Newport**

9.30am All Age Praise at **Newport**

11am Holy Communion at **Bishops Tawton**

6.30pm Evening Praise at **Newport**

Sunday 12th 9.30am Holy Communion and Junior Church at **Newport**

11am Morning Prayer at **Bishops Tawton**

7.30pm Worship and Prayer at **Newport**

Sunday 19th 8am Holy Communion at **Newport**

9.30am All Age Praise at **Newport**

11am Morning Praise at **Bishops Tawton**

6.30pm Evening Praise with Breaking of Bread at **Newport**

Sunday 26th 9.30am Sunday Communion at **Newport** with Early Bird Service in the Church Hall

11am Holy Communion at **Bishops Tawton**

Every **Thursday** 9am Prayer Time at **Newport** followed by Breaking of Bread at 9.30am

August Events

Every **Monday** 7.30am-9.30am Soul Space at **Newport**

Every **Wednesday** 10am Cake Club at **Newport**

Every **Wednesday** 10am Club for adults with disabilities in **Newport Hall**

Monday 6th and **Monday 20th** 12.30pm Bible Lunch at **Newport Hall**

Thursday 9th 2pm Friendship Circle at **Newport**

Saturday 11th 10.30am Coffee Morning at **Bishops Tawton**

Saturday 18th 8am Men's Prayer Breakfast at **Newport**

Mini Music, Bishops Tawton Toddlers and **Pints of View** are all taking a break this month, but will be back in September.