

## Prayer Diary – November 2018

“Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me” Psalm 23.4

Please pray for...

**1<sup>st</sup>** all the young people who went along to the Light Party at Newport last night

**2<sup>nd</sup>** All Souls Day: thank God for family and friends who have now departed this life

**3<sup>rd</sup>** an end to oceans filled with plastic

**4<sup>th</sup>** Scripture Union and the Bible Society sharing God's word

**5<sup>th</sup>** the homeless people we see on the streets of Barnstaple

**6<sup>th</sup>** the 5<sup>th</sup> North Devon Scout Group (Bishops Tawton) and their leaders

**7<sup>th</sup>** the musicians who play at our services

**8<sup>th</sup>** the people of Melanesia living with the effects of climate change

**9<sup>th</sup>** the North Devon Hospice

**10<sup>th</sup>** everyone at today's Coffee Morning in Bishops Tawton

**11<sup>th</sup>** Remembrance Sunday: O God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe

**12<sup>th</sup>** our PCCs and church wardens

**13<sup>th</sup>** parents who grieve the loss of children

**14<sup>th</sup>** Cathy, Steve and their family

**15<sup>th</sup>** our neighbouring churches in and around Barnstaple

**16<sup>th</sup>** the work of hospital chaplains, and staff at the North Devon District Hospital

**17<sup>th</sup>** the Men's Prayer Breakfast

**18<sup>th</sup>** families that live apart

**19<sup>th</sup>** the Bishops Tawton Toddlers

**20<sup>th</sup>** those looking for work

**21<sup>st</sup>** everyone at Cake Club

**22<sup>nd</sup>** Christians Against Poverty and the families they seek to help

**23<sup>rd</sup>** local shops and businesses preparing for a busy Christmas

**24<sup>th</sup>** passengers and train staff on the Tarka Line

**25<sup>th</sup>** the International Day for Eliminating Violence Against Women

**26<sup>th</sup>** everyone who comes along to Mini Music

**27<sup>th</sup>** the community at Lee Abbey

**28<sup>th</sup>** the children who'll receive the shoeboxes our churches have filled this Christmas

**29<sup>th</sup>** Andy, Carolyn and their family

**30<sup>th</sup>** those affected by dementia, their family and carers

You can find details of our daily Bible readings for this month at [www.wordlive.org/Session/Classic](http://www.wordlive.org/Session/Classic)

## St John the Baptist Churches, Newport and Bishops Tawton



### Parish Bulletin – November 2018

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#### Lest we forget...

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of November the nation will fall silent to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the First World War, and remember all those who gave their lives in the service of their country.

As well as the service that's held each year in Rock Park, we hold our own Remembrance Service at Bishops Tawton, when we gather around the War Memorial and hear the names of those men from the parish who died in two World Wars. Representatives of the Scouts and the Parish Council lay wreaths, and we observe two minutes of silence before continuing the service in the church.

It is a time when we think about the nature of sacrifice, and what it means to lay down your life so that another may live. Let us give thanks for all those who gave their lives, remembering what they died for. And let us do it in faith, knowing that Christ himself offered up his own life so that we may come to know God's peace.

The Remembrance Service at Bishops Tawton begins at 10.45 on Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of November.

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

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### **Film Night at Newport**

Ahead of Remembrance Sunday we've got a special screening of a 2017 film that tells the story of army medic Desmond T Doss, a man of faith and conscientious objector who won the US Medal of Honour in World War II.

We are not allowed to tell you what the film is called but it won two Oscars, and is well worth watching!

Film Night is at Newport on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of November. The show starts at 7.30pm, and there will be time afterwards to discuss some of the issues the film raises.



This year our two churches are again supporting the Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child appeal, filling shoe boxes with toys and gifts for children all over the world. There are leaflets available in church telling you how it works, with lots of ideas for your shoe box.

The very last date for you to return your shoebox to church is Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of November.

### **Facebook**

You can get daily updates of what's going on at both our churches from our Facebook page. As well as news and reminders about events and services there's also a link to each day's Bible reading. Search for "St John the Baptist Churches Barnstaple" and you'll soon find us; just click Like to get the latest post in your feed.

## Sunday Services in November

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>** 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 11<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Holy Communion and Junior Church at **Newport**

10.45am Service of Remembrance at **Bishops Tawton**

7.30pm Worship and Prayer at **Newport**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>** 8am Holy Communion at **Newport**

9.30am All Age Praise at **Newport**

11am Holy Communion at **Bishops Tawton**

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

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Sunday Communion at **Newport** with Early Bird Service in the Church Hall

11am Morning Praise at **Bishops Tawton**

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

## November Events

Every **Monday** 10am Bishops Tawton Toddlers at **Bishops Tawton**

Every **Monday** 2pm Mini Music at **Newport**

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

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

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup>** and **Monday 19<sup>th</sup>** 12.30pm Bible Lunch at **Newport Hall**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>** 7.30pm Film Night at Newport

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>** and **22<sup>nd</sup>** 2pm Friendship Circle at **Newport**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am Coffee Morning at **Bishops Tawton**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>** 8am Soul Space at **Newport**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>** 8am Men's Prayer Breakfast at **Newport**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>** 8pm Pints of View at the **Chichester Arms**

## Christmas Fayres

**Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup>**: Bishops Tawton (afternoon)

**Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup>**: Newport (morning)