



Sunday 29 January 2023
@ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock

January 2023
29 Sun

Epiphany 4: *Second Birth*

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| PPT | 9.30am | bible readings: Num.21.4-9, John 3.1-21 |
| | 11.00am | Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton |
| | 5.00pm | Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton |
| | 6.00pm | Prayer & Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton |
| | 7.00pm | Youth Alpha in Church Room |
| St Mary's | | 14-18's in Church Room |
| | 11.00am | Bible Readings: Jer. 7. 1-15, John 2. 13-25 |
| | | Morning Prayer: Mr Keith Butler |
| 30 Mon | 9.00am | Morning Prayer Zoom -tbc |
| | 6.30pm | Wise Guys @Bovey Youth Cafe. |
| 31 Tue | 9.00am | Morning Prayer Zoom- - Rev Graham Hamilton |
| 1 Wed | 10.00am | Midweek Communion in the Church Room. |
| | 7.30pm | DEF Prayer meeting- see note |
| 2 Thu | 7.00am | Men's Breakfast in Church Room |
| 3 Fri | 9.00am | Morning Prayer Zoom- - Rev Graham Hamilton |
| | 9.45am | 1st Steps in Church Room. |
| | 7.30pm | Christianity Explored in the church room |
| 4 Sat | 9.30am | Marriage Preparation in the Church Room |

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3rd Sunday before Lent: *Best Man's Speech.*

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| PPT | 9.30am | Bible Readings: Phil 1.12-21, John 3.22-36 |
| | 11.00am | Sunday Praise (all age) : Rev Graham Hamilton |
| | 5.00pm | Morning Prayer: Rev Graham Hamilton |
| | | Prayer & Praise: Mr Jack Knightly |
| St Mary's | | Bible Readings: Num.21.4-9, John 3.1-21 |
| | 11.00am | Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom |

Click [here](#) to join Morning Prayer on Zoom, or enter the ID 986 2130 8247 and Passcode: 102020

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Mission Focus for January -the Christian Institute (www.christian.org.uk)

Our mission focus this month is the **Christian Institute**, which seeks to uphold Christian influence in the UK for the common good in a secular society. You will find regular resource and prayer sheets at the back of church. All gifts in the collection plate this month go to Christian Institute.

Vision and Strategy Filming

on Sunday 29 January the Church of England's Vision and Strategy unit are coming to film our 9.30am service, interview key personnel to learn from our progress in reaching families. You can read about their priorities [here](#). Parents must give permission for children to be filmed: there will be an area in church where you can be seated without being filmed.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: We have postponed the Monthly prayer meeting for February until Wed 22 February (Ash Wednesday). Instead you are invited to join the [Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship prayer meeting](#) on Wed 1 February at 7.30pm. We will be praying for the House of Bishops and General Synod.

Alex Evans is fund-raising for Limb Power.

Alex, who attends Sunday Club at PPT, is raising funds for Limb Power. On March 25th he will be hiking across Dartmoor from Haytor to Heatree. For more information and to donate please click this link: <https://is.gd/P38yC8>

Spring Bulletin contributions to Camilla by 12th Feb please.

email: office @pptbovey.church

Teignbridge Local Plan Consultation:

We have until 13 March to comment for the last time on Teignbridge's draft Local Plan which will shape future development in the district until 2040. Copies of the Local Plan documentation are available in libraries, town and parish council offices, Forde House and on our website. Please submit responses online at www.teignbridge.gov.uk/lpconsultation. or write to Local Plan Review, Spatial Planning and Delivery, Forde House,

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany:

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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.

Prayer List: Mary Bambridge, Beatrix Everidge, David Harris, Ann Hodder, Diana James, Rob Martin, Ruth Parnell, Tony Sammons, Laura Smith, Theresa Samuels, Helen Wray, Kathleen Ennor.

In Memory: John Little.

Study Questions: Second birth

Icebreaker: Have you ever been refused entry to an establishment or country? Why?

Read Jn 2.23-25 Why does Jesus not trust the people who have seen his signs and believed in him?

What is 'in' you and me? What can be done about it? cf Ezekiel 36.25-28, Ps 51.

read Jn 3.1-15. Why does Nicodemus come to Jesus by night? Who does he think that Jesus might be? What is the unspoken question that Jesus 'answers' in vv3f?

What does it mean to 'see' or 'enter the kingdom of God'? See also vv15-16

Jesus says that to enter the Kingdom we must be 'born-again' v3 .What connotations does that phrase how have? What did Jesus mean? You may want to compare other NT writers - 1 Pet 1.3, Titus 3.5, James 1.17

Why is Jesus disappointed that Nicodemus does not know this? v.10

Why Jesus does know more than Nicodemus? vv11-13

What do God, Jesus and the Spirit do to enable people to enter the Kingdom? (vv 8, 14, 16-17. Why

What can we do to enter the Kingdom? (v.15-18)

Why are some people going to be rejected and condemned?(vv 18-20)

Read through Hark the herald angels sing, and pray for people to trust in Christ alone.

Mon 30 Jan Ps 57, Hosea 9

Pray for NHS staff under sustained pressure, for all who are fearful about their health needs, and pray for a political consensus for practical reforms to emerge.

Tue 31 Jan Ps 93, Hosea 10

Give thanks for the Community food hub, Citizen's Advice linke and warm space each Tuesday at the Methodist church and pray that many would find the help they need.

Wed 1 Feb: Ps 95, Hosea 11.1-11

Pray for the forthcoming session of General Synod, and for wisdom, courage and faith in upholding gospel truth against the spirit of the age, and averting schism in the Church of England.

Thu 2 Feb Ps 48, Exodus 13.1-16

Pray for the work of the Peninsular Gospel Partnership uniting churches in the South-West, and give thanks for the weekly training provided at St Leonard's Exeter by Rev.Chris Keane and others.

Fri 3 Feb Ps 19, Hosea 13.1-14

Pray for the Christianity Explored course continuing this evening, for people to come and find deeper understanding and living faith in the Lord Jesus. For Graham leading

Sat 4 Feb Ps 23, Hosea 14.

Pray for the couples attending Marriage by Design in the church room, for their marriages to be strengthened with Christian faith: for Rosie and Graham leading the course.

Sun 5 Feb Ps 5,6. Jeremiah 26.1-16.

Pray for the All Age service at 9.30am to engage all ages and deepen our faith and life as a Christian family.

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