

**ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAYPORT**



NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 2020



	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Readings</u>
Sun 2 Aug	Janette Turvey	Isaiah 55:1-5; Romans 9: 1-5 Psalm 145: 8-9 and 15-22 <i>(Matthew 14: 13-21)</i>
Sun 9 Aug	Mike Baxter	1 Kings 19:9-18; Romans 10:5-15 Psalm 85:8-13 <i>(Matthew 14: 22-33)</i>
Sun 16 Aug	JOINT SERVICE AT ST MARY'S Isaiah 61; 10,11. Galatians 4: 4-7. Psalm 45: 11-18 <i>(Luke 1: 46-55)</i>	
Sun 23 Aug	Christine Barker	Isaiah 51:1-6; Romans 12:1-8 Psalm 138 <i>(Matthew 16: 13-20)</i>
Sun 30 Aug	Janette Turvey	Jeremiah 15:15-21; Romans 12:9-21 Psalm 26: 1-8 <i>(Matthew 16:21-28)</i>
Sun 6 Sept	Christine Barker	Ezekiel 33:7-11; Romans 13:8-14 Psalm 119: 33-40 <i>(Matthew 18:15-20)</i>

Please arrange to swap if unavailable for allotted date



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Midsummer Message from Revd Kathy Barrable

A question we asked at our regular Zoom meetings, held every Wednesday evening at 8pm and open to all friends, is "What has lockdown taught us? What possible good has come to us, in the form of a person, a new skill, a refreshment?" Our personal experience is unique but the solitude to which we have had to become accustomed, the changes in routine, our homes, have often provided a space we now appreciate. They say that a habit takes at least a month to form, so we must have created strong new ways of thinking and behaving.

I am sure you have all felt the love of God and that peace which passes all understanding and the God who suffers with us and comforts us and calls us by name.

Thank you for exactly who you are, for being precious in this community's eyes and cherished as a significant member of God's household. We are assured regularly in Romans, that we are God's chosen, God's creation with a particular mission, that we are children of God and as we call God tenderly, Abba, that we receive the immediate attention and concern of the one who created us and our emotions. We are heirs to God's kingdom, to everything that is full of faith, hope and love (Corinthians 13 is an inspiring and wonderful read!)

In turn, we are asked to love others unconditionally, especially those we do not want to love, especially those who are 'other' in any way. It's a tough one, that, but that is what Jesus does and even to us, when we feel unlovable in thought, word or deed. 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest.' (Matthew 11: 28 to 30).

I pray that our churches attract more and more different people and that we will walk alongside them, hearing their unique and grace-filled experience.

May you feel that restful love as we pray for and inhabit our precious home, St Margaret's, and the home we would like others to know.

Grace and peace

Kathy

St Margaret's Mission Statement

The mission of St Margaret's church is to worship together, reach out, with the other churches, to those in the community and beyond, offering them welcome and hospitality wherever they are on their spiritual journey.



August Services Diary

Sun 2 Aug	9.30am	Pentecost 9. Eucharist
Sun 9 Aug	9.30am	Pentecost 10. Eucharist
Sun 16 Aug	11.00am	St Mary's. Feast of Mary the Virgin
Sun 23 Aug	9.30am	Pentecost 12. Eucharist
Wed 26 Aug	10.30am	Meditations in Church
Sun 30 Aug	9.30am	Pentecost 13. Eucharist
Wed 2 Sept	10.30am	Meditations in Church
Sun 6 Sept	9.30am	Pentecost 14. Eucharist

August Rotas

Reception

Offering

Sun 2 Aug	Christine Barker
Sun 9 Aug	Janette Turvey
Sun 16 Aug	JOINT SERVICE AT ST MARY'S
Sun 23 Aug	Mike Baxter
Sun 30 Aug	Christine Barker
Sun 6 Sept	Janette Turvey

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August Events

Sun 16 Aug	11.00am	Joint Service at St Mary's, Newport To celebrate the Feast of Mary the 1 'Virgin
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