

BENEFICE OF ASHWATER BULLETIN

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Dear Friends

November 2014.

November is a time to remember, as nights draw in, curtains drawn, the fire is lit, time to take stock of the year, maybe start to plan the events of next year, a wedding, a special birthday or anniversary. Whatever it is it, November is a time to listen, to reflect and meditate on what has passed, the present now, and the future to come.

So it is with the Church, on Advent Sunday we begin a new lectionary year. Advent being the 4th Sunday before the great festival of the birth of Jesus; we celebrate it on the 30th of November, a day to herald the season of preparation for the coming of our Saviour. However, I am hoping that during this month of November that you will tell me what your hopes and dreams are for your Church. I am listening!

Please ask yourself these questions:

How can the Church make itself relevant to you?

What is it about Church that keeps you away?

How can we serve you?

Answers please to me by phone, mail or email at 01409 211205, The Rectory Ashwater, Beaworthy. EX21 5EZ or jane@lakeheadmeats.com

Events for the Diary in November

3rd November Supporters meeting for the Youth Chaplin at Bodmin Street Chapel 7-30pm.

4th November United Churches 'Soup & Sweet' at Halwill Baptist Hall 12noon, only £2-50

7th November Wine & Wisdom Clawton Parish Hall 7-30pm, book now 253256

9th November Remembrance Day Services

11th November Armistice Day Service at Ashwater War Memorial 10-50am

19th November Clawton PCC at 1, Memorial Cottage, 7-30pm

20th November Good Companions Halwill Baptist Hall, 2-45pm 'till 4-30pm

22nd November Ploughman's Lunch Halwill Parish Hall 12-2pm

26th November Beaworthy PCC 7-30pm at Beaworthy House.

29th November Ashwater Maintenance & Autumn Clean Day 10am onwards

*O Lord, make the door of this house wide enough
to receive all who need human love and fellowship,
and a heavenly Father's care;
and narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and hate.
Make its threshold smooth enough
to be no stumbling block to children or straying feet,
But rugged enough to turn back the tempter's power;
and a gateway to your eternal kingdom. Amen
Thomas Ken (1637-1711)*

The trees are becoming bare,
And so is the Bulletin this month.
Apologies for that. I hope to get
out a Bumper Bulletin for
December. Why don't you write
something for it?

Trevor