

Welcome To Our Benefice

**14th November 2021
Second Sunday before Advent**



Today's Collect - Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. . **Amen**

Sunday Readings

Daniel 12: 1-3 Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25 Mark 13: 1-8

Church Services and Activities

W/C Sunday 14th November 2021

Sunday 14th	2.45pm	Commemoration	War Memorial, Moreton
	3.00pm	Remembrance Service	Moreton
Tuesday 16th	10.30am	Produce Market	Manaton
Thursday 18th	2.00pm	Discussion Group	Water Mill, Manaton
Sunday 21st	9.30am	Morning Worship	Moreton
	9.30am	Holy Communion	North Bovey
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Manaton
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Lustleigh

North Bovey, Lustleigh and Manaton churches are open for private prayer from 10am - 4pm every day.

Moretonhampstead church is open from 10am until 3pm

Online services still available from Chagford Church Online and Exeter Cathedral. The benefice web page is at moretonbenefice.uk.

Guidelines for Places of Worship from www.gov.uk - It has been agreed that the churches will be carrying on with mask wearing and social distancing while in church, and we encourage you not to mingle before or after the service please. In Moretonhampstead and Manaton, we will be able to sing during services, behind your mask please. Your co-operation with this decision is appreciated.



Prayer of Commemoration for the Fallen

Father of all, remember your holy promise, and look with love on all your people, living and departed. On this day we especially ask that you would hold forever all who have suffered during war, those who returned scarred by warfare, those who waited anxiously at home, and those who returned wounded, and disillusioned; those who mourned, and those communities that were diminished and suffered loss. Remember too those who acted with kindly compassion, those who bravely risked their own lives for their comrades, and those who in the aftermath of war, worked tirelessly for a more peaceful world. And as you remember them, remember us, O Lord; grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language, race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's kingdom. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Epistle Reading for Second Sunday
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Daniel 12: 1-3

'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

**Second Reading for Second Sunday
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Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assur-

ance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

**Gospel Reading for Second Sunday
Before Advent**

Mark 13: 1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Prayers for the Week

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**