

Mark 9: 30-37

Jesus Again Predicts His Death

³⁰ Leaving that region, they travelled through Galilee. Jesus didn't want anyone to know he was there, ³¹ for he wanted to spend more time with his disciples and teach them. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of his enemies. He will be killed, but three days later he will rise from the dead." ³² They didn't understand what he was saying, however, and they were afraid to ask him what he meant.

The Greatest in the Kingdom

³³ After they arrived at Capernaum and settled in a house, Jesus asked his disciples, "What were you discussing out on the road?" ³⁴ But they didn't answer, because they had been arguing about which of them was the greatest. ³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve disciples over to him, and said, "Whoever wants to be first must take last place and be the servant of everyone else."

³⁶ Then he put a little child among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not only me but also my Father who sent me." NLT

Beaworthy Coffee Morning

**Saturday 25th September
10.30 am**

At the new Beaworthy Parish Hall in
Patchacott

There will be cakes and savouries for sale

*Come and have a look around the new hall which has been
rebuilt/refurbished recently*



St Mary's Church, Black Torrington Harvest Flower Festival



Friday 17th September/Saturday 18th September 11am-7pm
Sunday 19th September 12.30 pm—7pm Monday 20th September 11am-5pm

Ploughman's lunch £5.00 available after the service

Refreshments available throughout the day

Teas—Coffee—Cakes—Ploughman's Lunch—Cream Teas

*The United Benefice of Ashwater, Beaworthy, Black Torrington,
Clawton, Halwill, Highampton and Tetcott*
Sunday 19th September

16th Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

9.30 am Holy Communion, Ashwater

11.00 am Harvest Service, Black Torrington

A warm welcome to Archdeacon Venerable Verena Breed



Readings

Jeremiah 11: 18-20

James 3: 13-4: 3, 7-8

Mark 9: 30-37

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Interim Priest-in-Charge (part time)

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Mission Community: for all who live and work in our Mission Community

Archdeacon Venerable Verena Breed as she starts her ministry in the Barnstaple Archdeaconry

All who are mourning the death of a loved one including the family of Steve Bridges (*Black Torrington*), Trevor May (*Tetcott/Ashwater*) and Lynn Tyrrell (*Black Torrington*)

Rest in peace all who have recently died

Those who are ill or in any kind of need and those who are vulnerable due to underlying health conditions, including Bryan Hancock, Grace Spelman, Mavis Watson, Peter and Maureen Ellis, Malcolm and Judith Lusted, Jenny Hyslop, Brian Colebrook-Clark, Tim Kirk

For peace throughout the World, and a greater understanding and harmony between different faiths.

Dates for your diary

Monday 20th September	11.00 am -	Flower Festival
	5.00 pm	Black Torrington Church
Tuesday 21st September	11.00 am	ZOOM Bible Study
Wednesday 22nd September	10.00 am	Morning Prayer
		Black Torrington Church
	2.30 pm	Living in Love and Faith
		Hope Chapel,
		Black Torrington
Thursday 23rd September	8.00 pm	ZOOM Compline
		Passcode: 848984
Saturday 25th September	10.30 am	Beaworthy Coffee Morning
		At the hall in Patchacott
Sunday 26th September	9.30 am	All Age Service
		Ashwater Church
	11.00 am	Communion by Extension
		Beaworthy Church
	11.00 am	Harvest Service & Lunch
		Clawton Church
	11.00 am	Morning Service
		Halwill Church
	6.30 pm	Harvest Service & Supper
		Highampton Church
	6.30 pm	Evening Service
		Black Torrington Church

**Thought for Sunday 19th September 2021
16th Sunday after Trinity**

A melancholy beauty

There is a melancholy beauty to this season,
pungent with the smell of wood smoke and harvest fruits.

I watch as leaves fall from the trees.

Sometimes it seems that the branches that hold them,
release them willingly,
to let them gently drift
and softly pool around the trunks of the trees.

Others cling,
until,
whipped by the wind,
they too are stripped bare.

In my life, Lord, there are times when I, too,
must let go of things.
Sometimes I let go willingly,
at other times I resist.

Help me to recognise the demands of each season,
of each period of my life.
Help me to let go
and to withstand the winds of fortune
so that I may stand tall
and not be broken,
but wait patiently for the time to come
when I can flourish once more.



Janet Pybon—Autumn by Ruth Burgess