



Four Ways Mission Community

St Michael East Buckland, St Paul Landkey, St James Swimbridge
with the Church of the Holy Name Gunn, St Peter West Buckland

Sunday 23rd August 2026



Thank you to everyone who made the East Buckland Bellringing Competition such a great success last Saturday. Ringers came from as far as Bow and the Somerset border. There was wonderful camaraderie, team work and a great shared feast which enabled some very generous fundraising for St Michael's Church.

Last Sunday, St Paul's Landkey commemorated the 81st anniversary of VJ Day and the end of World War II. Thank you to Ken, Ray and Albert who contributed so movingly to the service. Charles was able to livestream the service to some congregation members who were unable to attend.



Thank you to Charles who takes such good photographs for Landkey church website.

SUNDAY 23 August, 3pm Pet Blessing and Teddy Bear's Picnic

This year is the third year where we have held an outdoor Pet Blessing in St Paul's Landkey Church Meadow Garden. As a fun element we are inviting Teddy Bears this year too, especially for those who don't have a pet. So, of course we will be singing that fabulous song *Teddy Bears Picnic* (which goes all the way back to 1932, as a sound test).

It's always special to see people arriving with their pets as we all enjoy time together. Reminding us that we have been blessed by having pets and we want to say a thanks to them and to God.

We know the blessing of a tail wagging when we return home, or the blessing of ears twitching and turning to our voice. We know the blessing of company, of trust, of playfulness, and of the responsibility to care and feed and love a dear pet that cannot speak words but constantly speaks to our hearts. It's really moving when photographs are brought along of dearly loved pets and as people write the name of a pet on a pebble to remember them. Do invite people and come and join the fun, if you can.

with thanks and prayers for you all. *Cathy*

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PET BLESSING & TEDDY BEARS PICNIC



Sunday 23 August 3pm - 4pm

St Paul's Church Garden
Church Meadow, Landkey EX32 0JB

All pets, teddies & humans welcome!



What to bring:

- ❖ Your beloved pets and teddies. Or bring a photo of your pet.
- ❖ Water, a picnic blanket or camping chair

Designated areas for dogs, cats *etc.* 🐾
Refreshments & Treats

